

June
2025

The Bridge

The Monthly Newsletter for FBC Franklinton



4th of July Family Events

In just a few days, our VBS will commence, and we will have an opportunity to impact hundreds of children and their families with the good news of Jesus. Let me ask you first of all to be in the posture of prayer asking the Lord to draw many to Himself. In addition, pray for many volunteers that will be working diligently to expose children to the love of Christ. We will have invitation cards available during our worship services for you to use and invite families in our community to bring their children to our VBS. Can't wait to see what the Lord will do in our midst as a result of VBS!

Dr. Jake

4TH OF JULY

**Independence Day
One Service Sunday
Celebration**

SUNDAY	6TH OF JULY	9:30 A.M.- SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:45 A.M.- WORSHIP SERVICE
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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

**FAMILY FREEDOM
SUNDAY
CELEBRATION
FAMILY RETREAT
DAY & 4TH OF JULY
BBQ AT HUNT
BRANCH LAKE**

FREE ENTRY **JULY 06 AT 6 PM**

**DEVOTIONAL- FELLOWSHIP- FAMILY FUN-
4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION-
RSVP TO THE CHURCH OFFICE BY JULY 1ST.
TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE.**

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Senior Adult Ministry

SAM



REV. JOEY MILLER, ASSOCIATE PASTOR OF PASTORAL CARE



*“Oh, magnify the Lord with me,
And let us exalt His name together.
– Psalm 34:3 (NKJV)”*

How Big is Your God?

Joni Eareckson Tada has been paralyzed since a diving accident at the age of 17, and as a quadriplegic, is very dependent on the care of others. In “Carried to the Table,” she wrote that when she was going through COVID in 2020, the hardest part was having to stay in bed. Ken, her husband, was sicker than she was and unable to care for her completely. And it was difficult to find help during that time of isolation. During the dark nights in bed alone, she found comfort in the power and presence of the Lord with her. God reminded her of His presence and of His powerful promises. She found comfort in the Word of God through specific Scriptures that the Lord brought to mind, and Joni held on to those wonderful truths for life and literal breath during that difficult time. She magnified the Lord as the one who loved her, cared for her, and continued to have a plan and purpose for her life. She was able to rediscover the bigness of God in that trying situation.

We are excited about Vacation Bible School and our theme for VBS -> **MAGNIFIED**. We will be discovering the bigness of God in the smallest of things. Through song and worship, Bible study and missions, crafts and recreation, and a host of other fun activities, we will learn that we have a lot of reasons to magnify the Lord and proclaim His greatness. We will exalt Him together as our theme verse calls us to do.

We will magnify Him because...

- Although He created the whole world, God still wants to spend time with us.
 - While He keeps the whole universe going, God still cares about what happens to each of us
 - Even though God is not ok with sin, He still loves sinners like every one of us
 - God loves us so much that Jesus came to save the world from sin including us
 - God is faithful in the big things of our lives and is involved in the small things too
- God made us, cares about us, loves us, forgives us, and is faithful to keep all His promises to us. We can praise God together! We were made to magnify God! When we look at all this, the question we must ask ourselves is – How big is my God?

VBS JUNE 2-6

Please pray for Vacation Bible School and for the children who come and the adults and students who serve. Thank you for bringing children to VBS. This is our greatest opportunity of the year to reach children. And a lot of preparation has gone into having a great Vacation Bible School. Magnify the Lord with us through VBS!

NURSING HOME WORSHIP SERVICES

JOIN US AS WE WORSHIP WITH THE RESIDENTS IN SONG AND BRING ENCOURAGEMENT TO THEM.

GOOD SAMARITAN -
MONDAY, JUNE 2ND @ 3:00 P.M.
FAIR CITY REHAB -
MONDAY, JUNE 16TH @ 3:00 P.M.



FALL TRIP TO BRANSON

We still have room on the bus for the trip to Branson this fall on October 6-10. It's not too late to register to travel to the beautiful Ozarks and see great shows like The Great Passion Play in Eureka Springs as well as The David Show at the Sight and Sound Theatre as well as others. Flyers are available at church. Call the church office or Bro. Joey if you have questions. You may also invite friends from other churches.



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FBC Student Ministry



BRO. DRAKE WESTMORELAND- NEXT GEN PASTOR



DISCIPLING A GENERATION THAT KNOWS CHRIST AND MAKES HIM KNOWN.

What's up, FBC Family! May was an eventful month for our student ministry! Our students led the church through Youth Sunday, they fellowshiped throughout the month at various events, and we saw record numbers via Midweek services! We are now praying for God to do big things at VBS, Camp Fuego, and Honduras. Thank you for the continued support and prayers.

FBC Student Ministry is also launching a Student Leader Internship. Throughout May we accepted applications from students interested in the internship and throughout June we will select 4-6 students to serve on our intern team.

This internship will challenge young Christian leaders to further their Gospel impact through training and serving. I would appreciate your prayers as our Youth Committee develops and administers this internship in hopes of raising up the next generation of Christian Leaders.

-Drake Westmoreland



AN INTERNSHIP FOR YOUNG, DRIVEN CHRISTIAN LEADERS

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CAMP FUEGO THEMES

1



TAILGATE (SPORTS)

2



RODEO ON RODEO (WESTERN)

3



FUEGLO (NEON)

4



FBC STUDENTS (POWDER BLUE)

☀️ You're Invited! ☀️

Join us for an unforgettable FBC 4th of July Family Celebration — happening Sunday, July 6th at 6 PM at the beautiful Hunt Branch Lake!

There'll be food, fun, and fellowship 🎉🌟
— all we're missing is you!

👉 RSVP by July 1st to save your spot for you and your family.

We can't wait to celebrate together!



Scan the QR
Code to RSVP!

NEW MERCH



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USE
THIS LINK

<https://firstbaptist13.cls.co/pdnh>

THE WORD

With FBC Students



STEPS TO JOIN

1. Scan the QR Code or click the link in our bio.
2. Set "FBC Franklinton Students" as your church.
3. Join the "Everyday: Growing in Faith" reading plan.
4. Turn on notifications for "FBC Franklinton Students."
5. Start reading through the plan!

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FBC Kids Ministry



KELLY MCELVEEN, DIRECTOR OF FBC PLAYSCHOOL, CHILDREN'S AND PRESCHOOL MINISTRY



Raising a generation that knows Christ AND MAKES HIM KNOWN.

**Sunday, June 1st: No Wee Worship (10:45 a.m.),
VBS Kick-Off (6:00 pm)**

**Monday, June 2nd – Friday, June 6th, 8:30 am –
12n: Magnified VBS, Completed PK4 – Completed
6th Grade**

We'll hope you'll join us daily as we discover the
bigness of God in the smallest of things! Our
missions projects include collecting non-
perishable food items for the Washington Parish
Food Bank and money for Spice Road Ministries in
Italy. This year's mission challenge promises to
sting just a bit! Sign up today at
www.fbcfranklinton.org!

*(On a personal note, if you have no kids in VBS but
still want to participate in the missions project,
please feel free to! Get them to me and I'll be sure to
add them to Team YELLOW BLUE!)*

**Completed PK4 – Completed K: Team YELLOW
Completed 1st – Completed 2nd: Team GREEN
Completed 3rd – Completed 4th: Team BLUE
Completed 5th – Completed 6th: Team RED**

**Wednesday, June 4th:
No Wednesday Night Activities**

**Sunday, June 8th, beginning at 10:45, Family
Life Center: CentriKid Spaghetti Fundraiser**
Treat yourself to lunch at our FBC Kids camp
fundraiser. All dinners will be to-go and are
available by donation while supplies last!

**Wednesday, June 11th:
Summer Midweek Schedule Begins**
During the months of June and July, unless
otherwise noted, our summer schedule will look
like this:

5:30 pm: FBC Kids Eat!
Dinners will vary and will be provided free of
charge for children.

6:00 pm: Made to Magnify God Summer Sessions
Each week, in two large group sessions – one for
Preschoolers and one for Grades 1-6, kids will dive
deeper into our VBS content with engaging
lessons, fun crafts & interactive games!

**Sunday, June 15th: Father's Day -
No Wee Worship, No Sunday Night Activities**

Tuesday, June 17th: Preschool I Love Tuesday

Children in our Preschool Dept. will have an I Love
Tuesday just for them! We are going to Humpty Jumpy
in Columbia, MS. Each preschooler will need a
chaperone (parent/grandparent/guardian/babysitter).
Older siblings are invited to join in the fun. We will leave
FBC at 9 am and return by 1:30 pm. Cost is \$20 per
child and they must wear socks. The only cost for adults
is lunch (about \$10, menu available online but must be
preordered when you sign up.). Parents will need to fill
out an online waiver at www.humptyjumpyplay.com.
Sign up with Mrs. Kelly by June 3rd by emailing her at
fbc.kids@fbcfranklinton.org.

Tuesday, June 24th: CentriKid I Love Tuesday

Children attending CentriKid camp are invited to spend
the morning prepping for camp! There is no cost. We
will meet in the Family Life Center at 10 am, lunch is
provided. Come planning to get messy – you'll want to
bring a towel! Sign up with Mrs. Kelly by June 10th by
emailing her at fbc.kids@fbcfranklinton.org.

**Sunday, June 29th: Family Fifth Sunday,
No Wee Worship**

**Tuesday, July 1st – Thursday, July 3rd: CentriKid at
Timber Creek Camp, Pulaski, MS**

Details will be sent home for each child attending.

**Wednesday, July 2nd:
No FBC Kids Wednesday Night Activities**

**Sunday, July 6th:
Family Fun Night at Hunt Branch Lakes
Check out the June Bridge for more details!**

Tuesday, July 8th: Elementary I Love Tuesday

Children in grades 1 - 6 will have an I Love Tuesday just
for them! We are going to Fun World in Tylertown, MS.
Each child will need a completed Student Emergency
Card on file to attend, AND parents must sign an online
waiver at funworldms.com. The cost, which includes
lunch, is \$20. If kids want to play arcade games, they'll
also need money for that. We will leave at 9:30 am and
be back at the church at 1 pm.

Sign up with Mrs. Kelly by June 24th by emailing her at
fbc.kids@fbcfranklinton.org.

Tuesday, July 15th: FBC Kids I Love Tuesday

FBC Kids of all ages* are invited to join us as we
head to Honey Island for a swamp tour! The cost is
\$15 for kids and \$25 for adults. Plan to bring a picnic
lunch (and probably sunscreen and bug spray, too!).
Sign up with Mrs. Kelly by July 1st by emailing her at
fbc.kids@fbcfranklinton.org. More specific details will
be provided once you have signed up. This trip will be
limited to the first 50 people to sign up.

***Preschoolers will need their own chaperone
(parent/grandparent/guardian/babysitter) to
attend.**

**Tuesday, July 29th: 6th Grade Farewell, I Love
Tuesday** Our soon-to-be 7th graders will have their
own day of fun in the sun at Serengeti Springs...but no
passport needed as we will be going to the one in
Hattiesburg! There is no cost for admission or lunch.
Kids will want to wear a church-appropriate swimsuit
under their clothes, bring a towel, sunscreen,
spending money, and a change of clothes. We will
leave the church at 8:30 am and return to the church
at 2:30 pm. Sign up with Mrs. Kelly by July 15th by
emailing her at fbc.kids@fbcfranklinton.org.

Sunday, August 3rd: Promotion Sunday

All children grades PK3 and up will officially be in their
new grade level. New 1st Graders and new 7th Graders
will be recognized in one of the morning services and
receive a new Bible.

And, last, but certainly not least,

**Wednesday, August 6th, 5:30 pm – 7 pm: Back-to-
School Celebration**

It's all fun and games till summer is over...or is it?
School may be back in session, but we'll have an
evening of fun and games (and food!) to help
celebrate the start of something new!
*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation;
the old one has passed away, and see, the new has
come! – 2 Corinthians 5:17*

-Kelly McElveen



Wee Worship Volunteers

June 1: No Wee Worship
June 8: Kelly McElveen
June 15: No Wee Worship
June 22: Toni Taggant
June 29: No Wee Worship

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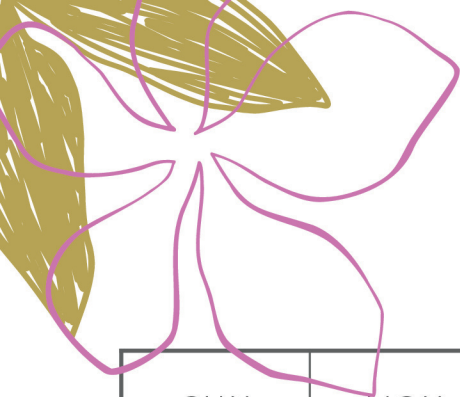


SIERRA SMITH, OFFICE MANAGER, VBS DIRECTOR

"OH, MAGNIFY THE LORD WITH ME,
AND LET US EXALT HIS NAME TOGETHER!"
- PSALM 34:3






Setting the Scene for VBS MAGNIFIED 2025!

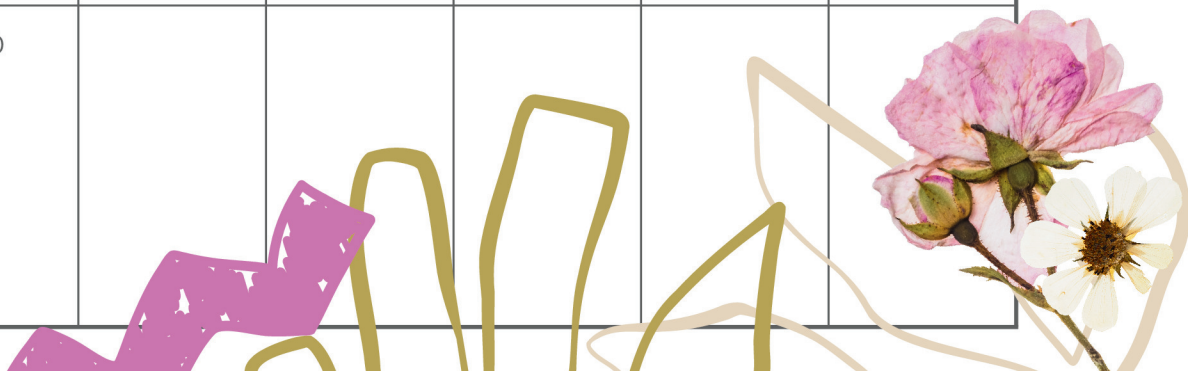




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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>1</p> <p>VBS Kick-Off 6 p.m.</p> <p>No Wee Worship</p> <p>Supper Group 1</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Worship @ Good Samaritan 3 p.m.</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>VBS Volunteer Pottery Night @ Mulberry Corner 5 p.m.</p> <p>No Wed. Activities</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>Supper Group 1  Vacation Bible School 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. </p>						
<p>8</p> <p>FBC KIDS Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser</p> <p>Wee Worship: Kelly McElveen Supper Group 2</p>	<p>9</p> 	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Summer Midweek Schedule Begins 5:30 pm: FBC Kids Eat! 6:00 pm: Made to Magnify God Summer Sessions</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> 	<p>14</p>
<p>Student Ministry @ Fuego</p>						
<p>15</p> <p>No Wee Worship</p> <p>HAPPY FATHER'S DAY</p> <p>No Evening Services</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Worship @ Fair City Rehab 3 p.m.</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Preschool I Love Tuesday Humpty Jump in Columbia, MS</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>22</p> <p>Student Ministry Mission Night</p>  <p>Wee Worship: Toni Tageant Supper Group 3</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <p>CentriKid I Love Tuesday Family Life Center at 10 am</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29</p> <p>No Wee Worship</p> <p>Supper Group 4</p>	<p>30</p>					



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FBC Events



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FREE
EVENT

AGES
PK-4-
6TH GRADE

MAGNIFI!D!
PSALM 54:3

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

DISCOVER THE BIGNESS OF GOD IN THE SMALLEST OF THINGS

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
INVITES YOU TO JOIN US

JUNE 2 - JUNE 6

8:30 A.M.-12:00 P.M.

950 SELF STREET FRANKLINTON, LA



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FRANKLINTON

REGISTER ONLINE!



THANKS TO RAISING
CANE'S COVINGTON
FOR THEIR
GENEROUS
DONATION, ALL
CHILDREN AT VBS
WILL RECEIVE A
CERTIFICATE FOR
ONE FREE KIDS
MEAL!

MISSIONS:

CHILDREN WILL COMPETE IN A MISSIONS
COMPETITION BY TEAMS. PRE-K AND
KINDERGARTENERS ARE TEAM YELLOW,
1ST & 2ND GRADERS ARE TEAM GREEN,
3RD & 4TH GRADERS ARE TEAM BLUE, AND
5TH & 6TH GRADERS ARE TEAM RED.

MISSION'S OFFERINGS ARE:

- NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS TO BENEFIT OUR
LOCAL WASHINGTON PARISH FOOD BANK.
(MAC-N-CHEESE, TUNA, SWEET PEAS,
PEANUT BUTTER, CEREAL, GRITS, ETC.)
 - ALL MONETARY DONATIONS WILL GO
DIRECTLY TOWARDS SPICE ROAD MISSIONS
IN ITALY.
- OFFERINGS ARE ACCEPTED EACH MORNING
DURING VBS DROP-OFF.

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SERVICE TIMES

Sundays

Worship Services
8:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m. &
6:00 p.m.

Bible Study
9:30 a.m.

Choir Practice
4:30 p.m.

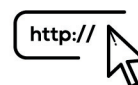
Wednesdays

Wednesday Night Supper
5:00 p.m.

**Preschool, Children,
Youth Activities**
6:00 p.m.

**Adult & Ladies Bible
Studies**
6:00 p.m.

Prayer Meeting
6:00 p.m.



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