

JUNE 2026

# BEACON

WE LEAD PEOPLE INTO LIFE-GIVING RELATIONSHIPS  
WITH CHRIST AND EACH OTHER.

Dear *Church,*

As we enter the summer rhythm of the church, I enter with back-to-back trips. As you read this, our team of 13 will be preparing to depart for Kenya, carrying your prayers and your sending spirit with us. I'll be back in the pulpit on June 14th – then flying almost immediately to Jacksonville, Florida, for the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship (CBF) General Assembly. (Maybe this will guarantee a shorter sermon on the 14th!)

CBF is a fellowship of Baptist Christians formed in the early 1990s around a simple conviction: that Baptists are at their best when every believer is free to engage Scripture, follow the Spirit, and serve without top-down control. For many of us who grew up in the broader Baptist tradition, CBF became not a departure from our Baptist identity, but a recovery of it – making room for women in ministry, staying committed to global missions through cooperation, and renewing our commitment to the four fragile freedoms of Bible freedom, soul freedom (freedom of conscience), church freedom, and religious freedom.

This past year, I've had the honor of serving on the CBF Governing Board. At the General Assembly in Florida, I will have the honor of being nominated as Moderator-Elect, a servant leadership role representing thousands of Baptists in the Fellowship. By saying yes, I am committed to three more years of faithful service as Moderator-Elect in 2026-2027, Moderator in 2027-2028, and Past Moderator in 2028-2029.

I don't take this lightly. Whatever I carry into Jacksonville and the years to come, I carry from this church.

Please pray for our Kenya team and partners, for safe travels, and for the Assembly and the future of both CBF and FBC JC - for the glory of God and the good of the world.

*Pastor Melissa*

## UPCOMING

**MAY 31 - JUNE 10**

Kenya Mission Experience

**JUNE 17-19**

CBF General Assembly  
Jacksonville, Florida

**JUNE 19**

Building closed in honor of  
Juneteenth

**JUNE 22**

Friendship Club for Adults  
60+  
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Fellowship Hall

**JUNE 27**

Crochet & Coffee  
9:00 - 11:00 a.m.  
Refuge Room (2<sup>nd</sup> Fl)



# SUNDAYS

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## June 7 - Lord's Supper

Preacher: Rev. Cara Harrington

## June 14

Preacher: Rev. Melissa Hatfield

## June 21

Preacher: Rev. Jeanie McGowan

## June 28

Preacher: Rev. Melissa Hatfield

This June, our Sunday mornings will be filled with fresh voices and Spirit-led messages as our pastor travels on church-related ministry. We are delighted to welcome Rev. Cara Harrington and Rev. Jeanie McGowan to the pulpit, alongside Lead Pastor Melissa Hatfield. Each Sunday will feature a stand-alone sermon, so every week brings its own complete and unique word for us to receive together.

Because no two Sundays will be alike this month, we encourage you to make every effort to be present and not miss what God has in store. Invite a friend, bring your family, and come expectant — you won't want to miss a single week!



**CONGREGATIONAL CARE** | For care situations on the weekends or after 5:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday, call or text: 573.400.4142. A Care Team member from the church will respond to your call or text as they are able.

## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:00 am | WORSHIP

10:15 am | BIBLE STUDY GROUPS

Join us in person or online at [facebook.com/fbcjc](https://facebook.com/fbcjc) or [youtube.com/fbcjc](https://youtube.com/fbcjc)

## MUSIC REHEARSALS

*Wednesdays; Sanctuary*

Orchestra 5:20–6:00 p.m.

Choir 6:00–7:00 p.m.

Praise Team 7:15–8:00 p.m.

Contact Alice Satterfield, Interim Worship Leader, at [alice@fbcjc.org](mailto:alice@fbcjc.org).

## ONLINE WORSHIP & PODCAST

For recordings, check out these options.

- Church Center App
- [Youtube.com/fbcjc](https://youtube.com/fbcjc)
- [Facebook.com/fbcjc](https://facebook.com/fbcjc)
- Podcasts - Search "First Baptist Jefferson City, Missouri" on your favorite streaming service.

# DWELL

## YOUNG ADULTS (AGES 18-25)

We had an amazing kickoff to our small groups this past Sunday! It was so encouraging to see everyone come together, connect, and begin building deeper relationships. There was a real sense of excitement and community in the room, reminding us just how important it is to gather, share, and grow in faith together. Join us every Sunday this summer from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. in room 211.



### Gym Game Night

**Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7 to 9 p.m. - Church Gym**

Join us in the gym for a night of games and community. It will be a great opportunity to hang out, laugh, and spend time together. Bring a friend and come ready to have a good time!

### Campfire and Hotdogs

**Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 to 9 p.m.**

**Home of Dale & Lory Feeler in Tebbetts**



## CHURCHWIDE EVENTS

July 5 - 11	Oklahoma Mission Trips
July 5	Combined Worship with FCI
July 20-24	Vacation Bible Camp
July 26	Church Swim Party
August	Faith in the Round (Sunday mornings)
August 16	Church Picnic
August 23	Back to School Sunday
August 30	Quarterly Business Meeting



**Karen Wells** and family in the death of her son

SYMPATHY



RESERVED  
PARKING

**John and Susan Bosch** purchased the Lead Pastor's parking spot for Sundays this month. Thanks for your generous donation to the Youth Mission Trip.



PRAYER  
REQUESTS

If you have prayer requests, contact the office or visit our website or app to submit a request.

# WEDNESDAYS *this summer*

5:20 - 6:00 p.m. | Orchestra Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
6:00 - 7:00 p.m. | Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
7:15 - 8:00 p.m. | Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Check page 7 for the summer youth calendar.  
The Wednesday Adult Bible Study will resume on August 5.

## MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID TRAINING

Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) teaches you how to identify, understand, and respond to signs of mental health and substance use challenges among adults.

Learners complete a 2-hour, self-paced online course and participate in a 4.5- 5.5-hour, instructor-led training via video conference.

Our instructor will be Janet Watson, FBC member and First Aid Trainer. We will determine the training date in consultation with Janet and those who express interest in the course.

If interested in learning more, contact [melissa@fbcjc.org](mailto:melissa@fbcjc.org) by June 20. Cost: \$25 for the book.

# Thank You



### Church Fellowship,

Thank you for the kindness shown to Teresa and me through your outpouring of extending best wishes through cards, gifts, a beautiful quilt, St. Louis cardinal memorabilia, words of kindness expressed in a video, and a wonderful reception of food and fellowship, and more.

We were touched, blessed, and overwhelmed by your generosity.

Life has been richer and more blessed, serving God in a profession I love and do not take for granted.

God bless, and sincere thank you,  
Robin and Teresa Stull

## CONNECT WITH US



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# FOOD 4 KIDS

## Help provide nutritious and delicious lunches for children on summer break.

For nearly twenty years, First Baptist Church has teamed with **Food 4 Kids**, a program that helps fill the gap during the summer months when school lunches are unavailable. Sack lunches are prepared and distributed throughout the community for children who might otherwise go hungry.

Food insecurity has reached a 10-year high in Missouri. The Food Bank for Central and Northeast Missouri reported record demand, driven in part by national safety-net interruptions and government shutdowns. It is estimated that one in five Missouri children experiences hunger.

Thousands of children in Central Missouri rely on free and reduced-price school lunches, but during the summer, it can be tough to access nutritious food. The Food Bank works with partner agencies to fill the gaps. That means all kids can focus on the important work of learning, playing, and growing. Studies show children who face food insecurity are more likely to experience anxiety, irritability, more problems at school, and at home.

Once again, First Baptist Church will be joining the fight against hunger by participating in Food 4 Kids this summer. We'll be providing kid-friendly, nutritious lunches and snacks to children during the summer months when school is not in session.

First Baptist Church volunteers are needed for the week of August 3-7.

- Three to four volunteers are needed each day from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. to prepare and pack lunches. First Presbyterian Church in Jefferson City is the food prep and pickup center.
- Four delivery teams are needed to deliver meals to four locations. A two-person delivery team consists of one driver and one helper to assist with distribution. Teams pick up lunches and snacks around 11:45 a.m. and return by 1:00 p.m. (or earlier if all lunches have been distributed.)

Volunteers may sign up for one day, multiple days, or the entire week. Please consider giving an hour or a few hours to this worthwhile endeavor. Scan the QR code to the left, sign up in the ChurchCenter app, or visit [fbcjc.org/events](http://fbcjc.org/events). Questions? Contact Rachael Preston at [rachael.e.preston@gmail.com](mailto:rachael.e.preston@gmail.com) or 573-291-5485.



## KENYA MISSION TRIP

Pray for our team of 13 traveling to Kenya from May 31 to June 10.

Jane Barnes  
Jennifer Carroll  
Landra Collins  
Cooper Feeler  
Alex Gale

Margaret Gale-Wells  
Melissa Hatfield  
Gary Hemphill  
Christina Hudson  
Ryan Kormann

Carolyn Swanigan  
Rand Swanigan  
Pam Wheeler





# KIDS

BIRTH - GRADE 5



## SUNDAYS FOR KIDS

Children in grades K-5 gather in Room 203 at 10:15 a.m. for games and snacks before heading to their classes. K-2 meets in Room 201. Grades 3-5 meet in Room 204.

Bible Teaching groups meet from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. each Sunday.

Extended Care during worship is available for children ages birth through 3-year-olds on Sundays beginning at 8:45 a.m.



## VACATION BIBLE CAMP

Monday - Friday, July 20 - 24  
For Kids ages 3 - Rising 6<sup>th</sup> Graders

### DAILY SCHEDULE

7:45 am: Breakfast Served

8:15 - 11:45 am: VBC

Free

Registration at [fbcjc.org/events](http://fbcjc.org/events)

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are Interested In volunteering to serve, contact Mande Carney today at [mandecarney@gmail.com](mailto:mandecarney@gmail.com).



# YOUTH

GRADES 6 - 12



## CONNECT WITH US

### TEXT UPDATES

Text RefugeJC to 573.606.4123



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## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SENIORS!



### MISSION TRIP PREP

We're planning some Wednesday nights at Refuge as we prepare for our upcoming mission trip! These evenings will be a great time to come together, get ready for the trip, and enjoy some fun and community afterward. Anyone is welcome, even if they are not going on the Mission Trip.

**June 10 at 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (Pick up at gym)**

We'll start our first night of mission trip practice—getting organized, preparing songs, and getting organized

➔ Afterward: Head to the gym and enjoy some pizza together!

**June 17 at 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (Pick up at Dairy Queen)**

➔ Afterward: Heading over to Dairy Queen for ice cream

**June 28, 10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. (during Basecamp)**

Our final prep night will take place during Basecamp as we wrap up everything and get ready to go.



### SAVE THESE DATES

**July 24** Park, Pizza, and Movie @ the Capitol

**July 26** Church Swim Party

**August 2** Refuge @ the Werdehausens

### SUNDAYS

9:00 a.m. | Worship

10:15 a.m. | Sunday Group

Every Sunday, we dig deep into God's word and grow in our faith. This June we are in a series called Doubt It. We will be looking at topics in the old and new testaments on what is true.

# SENIOR ADULTS 60+

## FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Monday, June 22  
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.  
Fellowship Hall

**Program:** Rod Maples and Company

Lunch catered by Lehman's  
Stuffed pork chops  
Chicken strips  
Mashed potatoes and gravy  
Green Beans  
Tossed salad  
Rolls  
Iced tea, coffee  
Dessert

## HOMEBOUND BIRTHDAYS

June Lauf (6/26)

### SEND A CARD!

Our Homebound members love to receive cards! If you'd like to send a birthday card, contact Mary at mary@fbcjc.org or 573.634.3603 for addresses.

## INVEST IN

*Life-Giving Relationships*

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In the App



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On Sundays in the Offering Boxes



## ATTENDANCE

	Bible Teaching Attendance	In Person Worship Only
May 3	147	262
May 10	133	238
May 17	125	208
May 24	146	215
May 31	Will appear in July Beacon	

## REVENUE & EXPENSES

	2026		2025		Increase (Decrease)	
	April	Year to Date	April	Year to Date	April	Year to Date
Tithes & Offerings	\$63,386	\$322,797	\$58,662	\$347,702	\$4,724	(\$24,905)
Other Revenue	\$12,180	\$38,588	\$7,277	\$54,003	\$4,903	(\$15,415)
Total Revenue	\$75,566	\$361,385	\$65,939	\$401,705	\$9,627	(\$40,320)
Total Expenses	\$101,119	\$406,395	\$88,060	\$429,489	\$13,059	(\$23,094)
Net Operating Total	(\$25,553)	(\$45,010)	(\$22,121)	(\$27,784)		

