

WEEKLY PRAYER & PRAISE GUIDE

"Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray.
Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise." *James 5:13*

Our Missionaries

Pray for:

FBC-Supported Missionaries

- ♦ Andyshak, Calva, Gervasi, Guest, Harris, Hubbell, Humble, Kelley, Lomilo, Lovelady, Rasmussen, Swenson, Tice, Tissell, Trussel, and Wernow.

FBC-Supported Ministries

- ♦ CEF Benton County, CEF Linn County, Compassion Ministries, Love INC Benton County, Options Pregnancy Center, Southside Youth Outreach, Volunteer InterFaith Caregivers, Western Seminary, and We Care.

Mike and Rebekah Gervasi

- ♦ Please pray for Mike & Rebekah Gervasi serving with Youth With a Mission & Mission Quest in Haiti. This past week the President of Haiti was assassinated. And they are recovering from a recent hurricane. Pray for the President's wife who was also shot. Pray for the nations' leaders to have wisdom in leading their nation. Pray for Mike & Rebekah, who happened to be in Florida working to get their truck shipped over but now the country is closed. May they know God's peace, patience, & wisdom

Chuck and Nancy Kelley

- ♦ Please pray for Chuck & Nancy Kelley who are serving with Bridge Builders International. Pray for Chuck, who is in Latvia for 6 weeks. Currently he is at the imagiNATIONS retreat of artists, musicians, and pastors for 4 days of fellowship, spiritual growth, discussion, music, and plein air painting. A Latvia-led but includes participants from Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia, Romania, and the U.S. The topic is RENEWAL, using Revelation 21:5 as their theme verse: "And he that sat upon the throne said, behold, I make all things new." Pray for Nancy as she holds down the home front.

Church Leadership

Staff : Pastor Russ Richmond, Pastor Rick Harpel, Pastor Bill Knopp, Kathy Ferrier, Jim Hinckley, Brooke Staples, Mitchell Henderson

Elders: Matt MacClary, Jeff Harris, Daniel Peterson, Mike Rinkin, Russ Richmond, Dale Durrell, Rick Harpel

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WELCOME

to  First Baptist Church Corvallis

July 18th, 2021



"The Church's I.D. Is Multiplication & Mission"

by Pastor Rick Harpel [Acts 8:1-25]

Worship Leader: Pastor Russ Richmond

**We are many generations connecting
the next generation to Jesus.**

We aim to encounter God through worship, to connect with others through smaller communities, and to engage in missional outreach to our neighbors and the nations.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS



SUMMER AT THE SCOUT CABIN

Sundays at 10:30am, July 4th—August 29th
Bring a lawn chair and join us at the Scout Cabin at 1986 SW Allen St. each week for worship. The service will also be available via livestream.

SUMMER SUNDAYS VISITING FRIENDS LUNCHES

Each week feel free to stick around at the Cabin with your own lunch, and on a few specific weeks the Missions team is sponsoring three Summer Sunday opportunities for the congregation to share a picnic lunch with visiting friends who are supported by FBC. Bring a lunch to hear stories and build relationships:

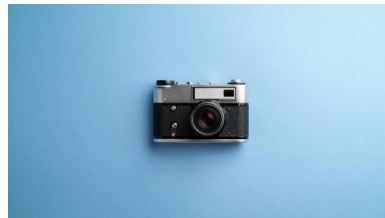
- July 18th—Brian and LaVonne Buhler
- July 25th—Kent and Kimberly Rasmussen (Greeting from Dr. Val Lomilo)
- August 8th—Bob and Carrie Cole



RICHMOND FAREWELL CELEBRATION POTLUCK

After worship on Sunday, August 1st, we will stay at the Scout cabin for a potluck meal together to celebrate and send off the Richmonds as Russ concludes his time as a Pastor of FBC. FBC will provide pulled pork sandwiches, hot dogs, and water bottles. Otherwise please bring a dish based on your last name below:

- A-M—Desserts
- N-Z—Side or Salad



PHOTOS FOR RICHMOND FAREWELL

A picture is worth a thousand words. We are going to be gathering photos of the Richmond family for their send off party Aug 1. Please go through your photos and find any that include the Richmonds and print them and bring them to the party on Aug 1. If you cannot print the photos but still would like to share, please email them to sarah.macclary@gmail.com

BAPTISM SUNDAY

If you are interested in being baptized, we have an opportunity for baptisms on Sunday, August 29th at the Scout Cabin. Please contact office@fbccorvallis.org so we can connect you with a pastor or church leader to plan your baptism!



IMPORTANT DATES:

Sundays—Worship at 10:30 a.m. at the Scout Cabin

Pre-K thru 5th Kids Lesson at the Scout Cabin, During the sermon

Tues, Jul 20—Geezer Men's Bible Study, 7am in the Fireside room

Tues, Jul 20—Women's Prayer Time, 9:30-11:30 on Zoom, cathycunningham77@yahoo.com

Wed, Jul 21—All Church Prayer Zoom, 6pm

Mon, Jul 26—Memorial Service For Suzanne Knopp at 10am

Sun, Aug 1—Richmond Farewell Celebration, following Worship at the Scout Cabin

MESSAGE NOTES

“THE CHURCH’S I.D. IS MULTIPLICATION & MISSION”: ACTS 8:1-25

INTRODUCTION: “What is the outcome?” “What are the results?” “To what end?”

REVIEW: The Acts 2 identities of the church:

- Relationship with God: **AWE-FILLED** with Jesus, founded on **GOD’S WORD**, in regular **WORSHIP**, with consistent **DEVOTION**.
- Relationship with other believers: **AUTHENTIC COMMUNITY, SERVICE** to each other in a structure of healthy working relationships.
- Relationship with the world: **MULTIPLICATION & MISSION**.
“The Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.” (2:47)

But we run into a huge problem in Acts 7: DEATH.

“At this they covered their ears and, yelling at the top of their voices, they all rushed at him, dragged him out of the city and began to stone him...While they were stoning him, Stephen prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” Then he fell on his knees and cried out, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he had said this, he fell asleep.” (Acts 7:57-60)

What happens when the living of our faith, with all the obstacles, struggles, and setbacks leads to a complete defeat?

1. THE PERSECUTION OF THE CHURCH LEADS TO PROGRESS OF THE GOSPEL.
 - a. Stephen’s death leads to gospel expansion like Philip.
 - b. Philip makes a bold move to witness to Samaritans.
 - c. Philip is not about judging or prejudices: he is talking about Jesus.
2. THE TRUE POWER OF GOD IS DISTINGUISHED FROM THE FALSE POWER OF THE WORLD.
 - a. The false power of Simon the Sorcerer had influence.
 - b. The true power of the Holy Spirit is confirmed by Peter and John.
 - c. The false faith of Simon the “simonite” would have a wicked influence.
3. THE PROGRESS OF THE GOSPEL CONTINUES IN THE UNITY OF THE SPIRIT.

“[Jesus] sent messengers on ahead, who went into a Samaritan village to get things ready for him; but the people there did not welcome him, because he was heading for Jerusalem. When the disciples James and John saw this, they asked, “Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?” But Jesus turned and rebuked them.” (Luke 9:52-56)

CONCLUSION: THE OUTCOME OF OUR EFFORTS AS A CHURCH

IS MULTIPLICATION AND MISSION:

THE PROGRESS OF THE GOSPEL IN THE POWER AND UNITY OF THE SPIRIT.

“Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.” (1 Corinthians 15:58)