

MAY 2024

PAOLA FBC

Transitioning from this World to the Next



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28	29	30	1 Last KFC and Youth Group for the summer @ 5:30 pm	2	3	4
5 CE Board Meeting	6 Last Men's Group of the summer @ 7pm	7 Ladies Group Meets @ 6:15pm	8	9 Women's Trip	10	11
12 Graduation & Promotion Sunday	13	14	15	16	17	18 Pie Workshop 8am-1pm
19 Camp Fundraiser and Pie Auction after church!	20	21 Diaconate Meeting 5:00pm	22	23	24	25
26 Trustee Meeting Wade Enman's Graduation Party 2-5pm	27	28	29 Kingdom Bound End of the Year Party 6pm-9pm	30	31	1

From the Pastor

By Dr. Joel Schroeder

"See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland." - Isaiah 43:19

I am so glad it is spring and that it is getting warm outside. Soon my hate of cold will be a battle with air conditioning and not nature. The change of weather reminds me of the powerful themes of renewal and growth not only in nature but also in our spiritual lives. In Isaiah, God promises to do new things, making a way in the wilderness and refreshing the wasteland. This season, let's reflect on our own spiritual journeys and acknowledge areas that may have felt like a winter—cold and dormant. It's in recognizing these areas that we can truly invite God to bring a new spring into our hearts, revitalizing our faith and deepening our relationship with Him.

Personal growth in God requires intention and discipline, much like caring for a garden. Engaging regularly in spiritual practices such as prayer, Scripture meditation, fasting, and communal worship nurtures our soul and allows our faith to flourish. As we commit to these disciplines, we begin to see the fruits—our faith deepens, trust in God strengthens, and our capacity to love and serve expands. This growth not only enhances our own spiritual lives but also serves as a beacon to others, illustrating the transformative power of God's love.

Spiritual renewal, however, is not a one-time event but a continuous journey. Each spiritual season brings new challenges and growth opportunities, keeping us rooted in God. By embracing an ongoing process of renewal, we prepare ourselves for whatever life brings, growing steadily in our faith.

READING THROUGH THE BIBLE

MORNING EVENING

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| 1 I Samuel 29,30,31 | 1 Luke 22:1-27 |
| 2 II Samuel 1,2 | 2 Luke 22:28-53 |
| 3 II Samuel 3,4 | 3 Luke 22:54-71 |
| 4 II Samuel 5,6 | 4 Luke 23:1-26 |
| 5 II Samuel 7,8 | 5 Luke 23:27-45 |
| 6 II Samuel 9,10,11 | 6 Luke 23:46-56 |
| 7 II Samuel 12,13 | 7 Luke 24:1-12 |
| 8 II Samuel 14,15 | 8 Luke 24:13-35 |
| 9 II Samuel 16,17 | 9 Luke 24:36-53 |
| 10 II Samuel 18,19 | 10 John 1:1-14 |
| 11 II Samuel 20,21,22 | 11 John 1:15-34 |
| 12 II Samuel 23,24 | 12 John 1:35-51 |
| 13 I Kings 1 | 13 John 2 |
| 14 I Kings 2 | 14 John 3:1-21 |
| 15 I Kings 3,4 | 15 John 3:22-36 |
| 16 I Kings 5,6 | 16 John 4:1-13 |
| 17 I Kings 7 | 17 John 4:14-39 |
| 18 I Kings 8,9 | 18 John 4:40-54 |
| 19 I Kings 10,11 | 19 John 5:1-27 |
| 20 I Kings 12,13 | 20 John 5:28-47 |
| 21 I Kings 14,15 | 21 John 6:1-21 |
| 22 I Kings 16,17 | 22 John 6:22-59 |
| 23 I Kings 18,19 | 23 John 6:60-71 |
| 24 I Kings 20,21 | 24 John 7:1-13 |
| 25 I Kings 22 | 25 John 7:14-36 |
| 26 II Kings 1,2 | 26 John 7:37-53 |
| 27 II Kings 3,4 | 27 John 8:1-11 |
| 28 II Kings 5,6 | 28 John 8:12-35 |
| 29 II Kings 7,8 | 29 John 8:36-59 |
| 30 II Kings 9:1-10:17 | 30 John 9:1-20 |
| 31 II Kings 10:18,11,12 | 31 John 9:21-41 |

BIRTHDAYS

- 1- Betty Currier
- 5- David Scheib
- 6- Annalee Nelson
- 8- Rick Beckman
- 8- Darrell Williams
- 9- Trey Young
- 22- Marcia Cooper
- 22- Gale Floyd
- 29- John Glaze

ANNIVERSARIES

- 9- Dale & Carmel Smith
- 21- John & Emily Menefee
- 24- Gary & Donna Poland
- 25- Mark & Karen Nelson
- 26- Dan & Julie Salisbury

MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH

Gordon & Lee Ann Hwang - Japan

COLLEGE STUDENTS FOR THE MONTH

- 5- Gus Cook
- 12- Alyssa Cole
- 19- Maggie Kauk
- 26- Macayla Enman

MILITARY PERSONNEL FOR THE MONTH

- 5- Col. Aaron & Jamie Thomas
- 12- RADM Robert & Dawn Westendorff
- 19- Sergeant Brandon & Kaycee Box
- 26- Col. Aaron & Jamie Thomas

PRAYER FAMILIES FOR THE MONTH

- 5- Chris Decaney
- 12- Ann Detwiler
- 19- Rick Dilks
- 26- Amanda & Tyler Duncan



Pie Auction

Join us on May 19th, after the service for a pie auction, as well as other pie-related festivities. All funds raised will go towards the 9 girls we currently have signed up for camp. Also if you know of any other students going into 6th, 7th, or 8th who would like to join us we have 4 reserved spots left. The more the merrier!

Happy Mother's Day. We Love You MOMS!!!

LAST CALL MEN!

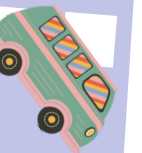
Join us for the last Men's group of the year, on May 6th. We will be returning in September, but want to take a break now so you can enjoy your summer!



KINGDOM BOUND UPDATES!

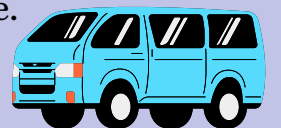
As this school year comes to an end, FBC would like to update you on the success and growth of our youth program, Kingdom Bound. In September we started with only one girl. With the help of the CE board, we updated and re-branded all things youth group. As of now, God has blessed our youth group with twelve regular attendees and nine girls are registered for camp in July. Three of our girls gave their lives to Christ this year and two of them got baptized. There is so much more we could tell you, but I thought it better to show you. Click the link to see a recap of our year:)

[Kingdom Bound Highlights 2023-2024](#)



Women's Trip

On May 9th, Currier Circle will go on its annual road trip. This year they are venturing to Louisburg to go antiquing and to enjoy lunch together. If you're interested in going with them please see Dianna or Joyce.



Are YOU Graduating?

If you are graduating (preschool, eighth grade, high school, college, or even trade school) we want to celebrate with you!

Email us at firstbaptistchurchpaola@gmail.com before May 10th.

Weekly Schedule

Wednesday

Women's Bible Study 9:15am
Family Dinner 5:30pm
Kids for Christ 6pm
Youth Group 6pm
Choir Practice 7pm

Sunday

Sunday School 9:15am
Worship Service 10:30am

Office Hours

Monday 9am-12pm
Tuesday 9am-12pm
Wednesday 9am-12pm

Vacation Bible School

VBS will be June 11-13th from 9:00 am to 11:30 am. The last day to register is June 5th! Register by clicking here:

[VBS Registration](#)

