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**FERN CREEK
BAPTIST CHURCH**

Reaching Up...

Reaching In...

Reaching Out...

The Disciple

July 13, 2026

"MUSIC NOTES"

Debbie Gorbandt, Interim Minister of Music

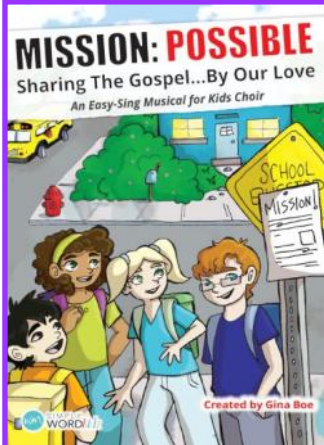
Well, it's been a crazy summer for the music staff at FCBC. Between emergency gallbladder surgeries, resistant and persistent infections that require hospitalization, and a pastoral medical incident mid-sermon, it feels as if we are being held together with proverbial duct tape! Crazy! But our GOD is faithful and strong. He has been and will continue to be with us as we serve Him.

One of the songs in the Children's Music Week musical is titled, "*Crazy Things!*" It just struck me how appropriate that is for us this summer! The song's message reminds us of how God can use anybody and some pretty strange methods to accomplish His purposes. Think about Noah building a boat and loading pairs of animals into it when there wasn't a cloud in sight. Then there was Joshua who was tasked with defeating a walled city just by marching around it, blowing horns, and shouting! Crazy!

So, what is the take away here? If God has tasked us with big things, even impossible things, He will provide us with all that we need to accomplish His purposes. See *Ephesians 2:10* and *Philippians 4:13*.

*"Crazy things, God does amazing things
Through ordinary people just like me and you.
Crazy things, God does amazing things
So all the world will see what He can do!"*

From "Crazy Things!" by Gina Boe, Lisa Qualsett, and Sue Christensen



July 27 – 31, 2026
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

The week will include singing, musical activities, Bible study, and recreation. This exciting event is open to children ages 4 (must be 4 by August 1, 2026) through those completed fifth grade. The older children will present "**Mission: Possible**" – **Sharing the Gospel... By Our Love** and the younger children will present their program on **Sunday evening, August 2, 5:00 p.m.**

- To participate in Children's Music Week, children must perform with their choir on Sunday evening.
- Flyers / registration forms are available at both foyers.

From the Bylaws Committee:

The Bylaws committee recommends the following be added to
Article VII - MEETINGS

3. Voting: Voting shall be via written ballot for the following decisions:

- a. Voting for called Ordained Ministerial staff (excludes supply or interim) other than Pastor, whose election process is covered in Article II Section 1 of these bylaws.
- b. Voting for calling/election of Deacons
- c. Voting for Church budget and any amendments or other expenditures which may later modify said budget
- d. Voting to affirm cooperative affiliations

The Church Clerk or designee shall be responsible for ballot tabulation for all votes except for items a and b above. Items a and b above shall be tabulated by currently serving Deacons.

All other issues may be voted upon by voice or show of hands.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAY, JULY 13, 2026

7:00 p.m. GROW (R Team)

TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2026

9:00 a.m. Tot, Teen, & Terrific Tuesday
9:30 a.m. Sisterhood - Highland Morning
6:00 p.m. Personnel Committee Meeting
7:00 p.m. Deaf / Hard of Hearing Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2026

6:30 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday, LIGHT, & Wednesday Worship
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2026

10:00 a.m. FCBC Sewing Group
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
3:00 p.m. Homeless Shower Ministry
6:30 p.m. Backpack Stuffing

FRIDAY, JULY 17, 2026

8:00 p.m. FCBC Youth Event - Swimming

SATURDAY, JULY 18, 2026

9:00 a.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting
6:00 p.m. Congolese Prayer Service - CLC

SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2026

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service
1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service
3:00 p.m. Congolese Worship Service
5:30 p.m. "Son-Day Fun-Day"

MONDAY, JULY 20, 2026

7:00 p.m. GROW (O & W Teams)

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2026

9:00 a.m. Tot, Teen, & Terrific Tuesday
4:00 p.m. Panera Fundraiser
6:30 p.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting
7:00 p.m. Deaf / Hard of Hearing Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2026

6:30 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday, LIGHT, & Wednesday Worship
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2026

10:00 a.m. Academy Clean-Up
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
3:00 p.m. Homeless Shower Ministry
5:30 p.m. "Young at Heart" - Stephen Foster

FRIDAY, JULY 24, 2026

10:00 a.m. Academy Clean-Up

SATURDAY, JULY 25, 2026

6:00 p.m. Congolese Prayer Service - CLC

SUNDAY, JULY 26, 2026

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service
12:15 p.m. Blood Pressure Checks
1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service
3:00 p.m. Congolese Worship Service
6:00 p.m. CMW Preparation

RESPONSIBILITIES

WEEK OF JULY 19

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Nancy Shewmaker 296-2341

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

Gary Kistner 419-5505

NURSE ON CALL

Shirley Powers 551-6786

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Tiffany Keranen & Anetta French

EXTENDED SESSION

Joy Warren & Marilyn Calvert

NURSERY

Donna Grimes & Chrissy Creech

TECH TEAM

Director – Chris Towles
Streamer – Bruce Ritchie
Sound – Sam Frizzell
AV – Lisa Payne

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Lisa Payne

WEEK OF JULY 26

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Phil Shewmaker 558-1003

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

Trustee Team

NURSE ON CALL

Norma Routt 741-0724

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Valerie Montgomery & Lucas Seraphine

EXTENDED SESSION

Joy Warren & Judie Walker

NURSERY

Martha Blansette & Glenda Coddington

TECH TEAM

Director – Jon Heinrich
Streamer – Jacob Heinrich
Sound – Sam Frizzell
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WEDNESDAY EVENING

Sam Frizzell

G.R.O.W.

You can be a missionary right here in our own community by joining a GROW Team. GROW Teams write letters, make phone calls, and make visits on: Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. and the first Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m. Join us as we share the good news of Jesus Christ! He has called us to take the good news to Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and the ends of the earth. **Will you help?**

G.R.O.W.
GOD REWARDS OUR WORK

JULY 5, 2026

ATTENDANCE

Sunday School - 80 Worship 121

OUR STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 10,990.00
Budget Received	\$ 10,366.87
Year-to-Date Budget Needs	\$ 483,560.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received	\$ 428,499.25

BUILDING FUND

Weekly Total	\$ 45.00
Year-to-Date Balance	\$ 2177.38

PROPERTY @ 5912

Amount Received	\$ 380.00
Year-to-Date Received	\$ 88,290.28
Monthly Loan Payment	\$ 1,095.69
Loan Balance	\$ 91,593.14
Current Fund Balance	\$ 11,201.10

**PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS/ATTENDEES
IN THE HOSPITAL AS OF JULY 8:**

- Dave French – Norton Brownsboro – ICU Room 339

YARD WORK TEAMS

Please help us by signing up for one of the seven different yard teams. Each team works every seven weeks. The trustees and others are the team captains. You may join a team by signing up at the shelf in the Common Area foyer or by calling the church office. Thanks for your help!

- ♦ Team Five (Joe Montgomery's Team): July 16-18.
- ♦ Team Six (Gary Kistner's Team): July 23-24.
- ♦ Team Seven (Phil Lucas' Team): July 30-Aug. 1.

FROM THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

The Personnel Committee is currently seeking two childcare workers for Sunday and Wednesday evenings. This position is approximately five hours a week. All personnel will be committed Christians of exemplary character and active church members. Please turn in resumes/applications by **July 19** to the church or mail to the church at 5920 Bardstown Road, Louisville, KY 40291; Attention Personnel Committee. You may also email the resumes to linda@ferncreekbaptist.org.

"SON-DAY FUN- DAY" WORKERS

This is our biggest evangelistic event of the year; therefore, we are asking that our entire church will participate. Please pray now for decisions to be made for Jesus at this event. Please sign up to work at a station/activity. The sign-up sheet is at the shelf in the Common Area. Please come praying and ready to greet all those who attend!

LADY WISDOM WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

JOIN US FOR AN UNFORGETTABLE DAY OF WORSHIP, ENCOURAGEMENT, AND SPIRITUAL GROWTH.
WE ARE THRILLED TO WELCOME AWARD-WINNING CHRISTIAN MUSIC GROUP

Point of Grace



Scan Code
to Register

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2026
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (DOORS OPEN AT 9:15 AM)

ARTS & ENRICHMENT CENTER, 999 WATER STREET, CHARLESTOWN, IN 47111

YOUR \$50 REGISTRATION INCLUDES LUNCH CATERED BY SOUTHERN LADY'S CATERING

Charlestown First
METHODIST CHURCH
Love God Offer Hope Connect People

OUR SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO:

- Lillian Crume and family at the death of her sister, Maryann Chasteen;
- Joe Curry and family at the death of his cousin, Tim Curry;
- Bonnie Floyd and family at the death of her nephew, Scott Childress;
- Phil and Cheryl Lucas and family at the death of Cheryl's brother, Barry Warren.

FCBC FOOD PANTRY

Our food pantry is in need of:

EASY OPEN CANNED GOODS

BOXES OF CEREAL

Thank you to everyone for pitching in
to fill up our pantry.

Sisterhood

Highland Morning,
St. Matthews

Tuesday, July 21,
9:30 a.m.

Youth SWIM PARTY!
Dive In & Join Us!
July 17 | 8PM - 12AM
Cooper Farms Sub-Division
10500 Leven Blvd.
Devotion, Swimming & Pizza!

Bring Your Towel & A Change of Clothes!

- Bathrooms Available
- Lifeguards On Duty
- Fun & Fellowship!

RSVP & Bring a Friend!

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“SON-DAY FUN-DAY”

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Sunday, July 19, 2026
5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Christian Life Center & Backyard

5:30 pm

Hotdog Dinner
Games
Inflatables
Petting Farm
Wagon Rides
Popcorn
Snow Cones
Cotton Candy
and more!



7:15 pm

Sing-Along
Door Prizes
Bicycles Give-Away



7:45 pm

School Supplies



Rain or Shine!!

All are invited!! Everything is free!!