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FERN CREEK
BAPTIST CHURCH
Reaching Up…
Reaching In…
Reaching Out…

The Disciple

July 27, 2026

LINDA'S LINES

We are all a part of the body of Christ. We have all received gifts. I Peter 4:10 says, *"Each one should use whatever gift he/she has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms."* Just as we received our natural talents when we were physically born, we received our spiritual gifts when we were spiritually born. So, if the Spirit lives in you, you possess gifts of the Spirit, as well as talents. For our church to function as God designed, we need each person to use his/her spiritual gifts in God's kingdom. There are four major passages in the New Testament that teach us about spiritual gifts. They are Romans 12, Ephesians 4, I Peter 4, and I Corinthians 12-14. I encourage you to read these passages this week. What do these words say to you? What are you supposed to be doing in God's church? If you have questions about the opportunities available, please contact your deacon or me and we will direct you to the people who can help. You may, also, contact a member of the Nominating Committee. Those folks are: Dana Adams, Adam Jenkins, David Magruder, Terry Schult, Nancy Shewmaker, and Phil Shewmaker. I look forward to what the body of Christ is going to do in the future of FCBC! We hope all of you will be a functioning part of that body!

Please continue to pray for God's kingdom to come on earth! Continue to pray, "Lord, awaken Your people and send a great revival!"

"MUSIC NOTES"

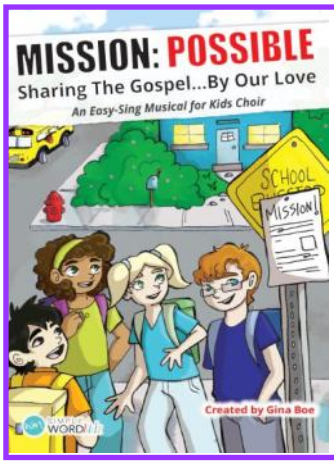
Debbie Gorbandt, Interim Minister of Music

What a summer it has been! Can you believe it's almost time to go back to school? But before the busses start rolling, we have a unique and wonderful event for children to experience. It's called, "Children's Music Week!" It's been happening at FCBC every summer for over 40 years!

I am privileged to be the director of the Young Musicians this year and can't wait to get started! We will be learning and presenting the musical, "Mission: Possible, Sharing the Gospel…By Our Love," by Gina Boe and Barb Dorn.

It's an ordinary day at the school bus stop when a group of kids are met with a mysterious note that contains a challenging mission (should they choose to accept it). I hope and pray that there will be plenty of children that come along and join us on this *Mission: Possible* where God will show each of us what He has called us to do for His Kingdom!

You can find all the important information you'll need for your children to participate below. I look forward to seeing a bunch of bright happy children's faces each morning this week at 9:00 AM!



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.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAY, JULY 27, 2026
9:00 a.m. Children's Music Week

TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2026
9:00 a.m. Children's Music Week
6:30 p.m. Academy Committee Meeting
7:00 p.m. Deaf / Hard of Hearing Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29, 2026
9:00 a.m. Children's Music Week
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship, LIGHT, & Children's Music Week Bonus Rehearsal
~~7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal~~ Canceled

THURSDAY, JULY 30, 2026
9:00 a.m. Children's Music Week
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
3:00 p.m. Homeless Shower Ministry

FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2026
9:00 a.m. Children's Music Week

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 2026
10:00 a.m. Children's Music Week - Dress Rehearsal
6:00 p.m. Congolese Prayer Service - CLC

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 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
5:00 p.m. Children's Music Week Program

MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 2026
7:00 p.m. GROW (G Team)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2026
10:00 a.m. GROW (G2 Team)
6:30 p.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting
7:00 p.m. Deaf / Hard of Hearing Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2026
6:30 p.m. Family Prayer Service
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6, 2026 - JCPS STARTS
10:00 a.m. FCBC Sewing Group - CLC
3:00 p.m. Homeless Shower Ministry
6:30 p.m. GLM Meeting - Room 416

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, 2026
6:00 p.m. Congolese Prayer Service - CLC

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 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
6:00 p.m. Budget Meeting

WE'RE PRAYING FOR YOU!

RESPONSIBILITIES

WEEK OF AUGUST 2	WEEK OF AUGUST 9
DEACON OF THE WEEK Chris Towles 468-7369	**DEACON OF THE WEEK** Roy Cantrall 270-300-6779
TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK Adam Jenkins 593-5007	**TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK** Jim Raia 529-1788
NURSE ON CALL Bonnie Coyle 550-3440	**NURSE ON CALL** Lesley Hass 836-9691
CHILDREN'S CHURCH Tiffany Keranen & Jodie (Emma) Towles	**CHILDREN'S CHURCH** Lori Ennis & Lesley Hass
EXTENDED SESSION Joy Warren & Martha Montgomery	**EXTENDED SESSION** Joy Warren & Eleonor Ritchie
NURSERY Jayla Blansette & Donna Grimes	**NURSERY** Martha Blansette & Bonnie Coyle
TECH TEAM Director – Jon Heinrich Streamer – Jacob Heinrich Sound – Phil Shewmaker AV – Sam Frizzell	**TECH TEAM** Director – Chris Towles Streamer – Bruce Ritchie Sound – Sam Frizzell AV – Lisa Payne
WEDNESDAY EVENING Lisa Payne	**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 19, 2026

ATTENDANCE
Sunday School - 81 Worship 112

OUR STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Budget Needs	$ 10,990.00
Budget Received	$ 9,716.71
Year-to-Date Budget Needs	$ 505,540.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received	$ 454,202.85

BUILDING FUND

Weekly Total	$ 110.00
Year-to-Date Balance	$ 2,317.38

PROPERTY @ 5912

Amount Received	$ 25.00
Year-to-Date Received	$ 88,740.28
Monthly Loan Payment	$ 1,095.69
Loan Balance	$ 87,311.07
Current Fund Balance	$ 10,605.41

FCBC SEWING GROUP

The FCBC Sewing Group is looking for new member to join us on the first and third Thursday of each month. We meet from 10 am to 2 pm and share lunch. Can't sew… no problem! We also sort fabric, cut, iron, and socialize. All interested persons are welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Judie Walker at 270-589-7934.

G.R.O.W.
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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 Seven (Phil Lucas' Team): July 30-Aug.1.
- Team One (Adam Jenkins' Team): August 6-8.
- Team Two (Jim Raia's Team): August 13-15.

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 29** 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.



OUR SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO:

- Sandi French and family at the death of her husband Dave (grandfather of Harrison French);
- Renee Bryant and family at the death of her uncle, Leland Bryant;
- Phil and Cheryl Lucas and family at the death of Phil's cousin, Jerry Martin.

Wednesday Evenings at 6:30 p.m.

The schedule for the next few Wednesday evenings is as follows:

- **July 29** – Wednesday Worship for Adults, LIGHT for Youth, Children's Music Week Bonus Rehearsal for Children
- **August 5** – A Prayer Service for all ages will be led by our Prayer Team.
- **August 12** – Family Fun Night in the Christian Life Center (Details are forthcoming.)

Adult Choir Rehearsal is canceled on July 29 and will resume on August 5.

August



1 Isaac DeJaynes
3 Cheri Calvert
4 Susan Jump
Alexis Schildknecht
5 Cassie McCarrick
6 Gary Adams
7 Lewana Sams
8 Layla Hurt
9 Kaelee Keown
Jack Marion
Katie Norroy
Patricia Roberts
11 Roberta Anderson
Luke Kaelin
12 Mary Lou Felker
Melissa Lanham
13 Phil Shewmaker
14 Anetta French
15 Scott Gregory
16 Lillian Crume
17 Gina Miles
18 Bethany Ware
19 Ann Abney
20 Della Rankin
21 Janice Dickerson
Belinda Morrison
22 Donna Sams
23 Gayle Colyer
25 Melissa Dugger
Nathan Ennis
26 Lori Ennis
Carol Larsen
Bill Squires
Bob Squires
28 Dalton Robinson
29 Ashley-Kate Adams-Martin
Shannon Fisher
Tommy O'Dell
30 Christy Dumm
Nancy McCune
Stephanie Self

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FABULOUS FOAM
FRIDAY FUN NIGHT

Parents' Night Out

August 14, 2026
5:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Christian Life Center

Preschoolers - completed 5th grade!

Bible Study, Pizza Dinner, Foam Fun, and More!

We are partnering with CHOTS and collecting new or gently used books to send to Liberia. We are asking that each child bring one.



Register Now

BRING A TOWEL!