

Weekly Summary	06-30-19	07-07-19
Sunday Bible Study Attendance	230	209
Small Group Attendance	—	—
Total Bible Study Attendance	230	209
Worship Attendance: 8:30 AM	197	186
11:00 AM	181	93
Offering	\$10,112.00	\$21,466.00
E-Giving (5/25-6/17)	\$6,032.71	



The church has received *Thank You* cards from **Paul Snow** and **Pat Kircher and Jane Keefer**.



Sympathy

Our love through Christian sympathy is extended to ... the family and friends of **Mary Ryan**, who passed away on June 24.  
...**Sharon Maessen**, whose sister, **Ruby Gray**, passed away on June 27.  
... **Lori (James) Clapper**, whose father, **Garland Brown**, passed away on June 29.



JULY 7  
The Lesters

JULY 14  
The Harris Trio

JULY 21  
Assurance Quartet

JULY 28  
Timothy Noble

AUGUST 4  
Erica Lyles

Sundays at 6:00 p.m.

All concerts are FREE!  
Freewill offerings are accepted.

\*DON'T MISS SUPER SUNDAY NIGHTS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING EACH CONCERT!

Ministry Opportunities	Church Office Staff
<b>Sunday, July 21</b> 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship 9:45 a.m. Bible Study 10:45 a.m. KidsZone 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship 6:00 p.m. Summer Concert - Assurance Quartet 7:00 p.m. Super Sundae Nights	SENIOR PASTOR.....Rev. Zach Crook INTERIM ASSOCIATE PASTOR ..... ..... Rev. Andrew Yakel DIRECTOR OF SENIOR ADULT & BIBLE STUDY .....Ms.Gloria Fox DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRIES .....Mrs. Kathy Scott DIRECTOR OF MUSIC..... Mrs. Ronna Paden PRAISE AND WORSHIP LEADER.. ..... .....Ms. Sarah Turner INTERIM YOUTH DIRECTOR..... ..... Mr. Kyle Baldwin FINANCIAL OFFICER.....Steve Middendorf PASTOR'S SECRETARY..... Ruth Thoma IT ADMINISTRATOR.....Vance Stewart RECEPTIONIST/MUSIC SECRETARY ..... .....Tara Smith
<b>Monday, July 22</b> 9:00 a.m. Gym Walking 7:00 p.m. Pickup Basketball TBD Windermere Mission Team Departing	OFFICE ♦ (314) 739-1525 FAX ♦ (314) 739-1302 www.feefeebc.org
<b>Tuesday, July 23</b> 7:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels 9:00 a.m. Spirit Lifters 9:15 a.m. Prime Time Science Center Pompeii Exhibit & OMNIMAX Movie	THE FORERUNNER is published Bi-weekly, by <b>FEE FEE BAPTIST CHURCH</b> 11330 St. Charles Rock Road Bridgeton, MO 63044-2792 Periodicals Postage rates paid at Hazelwood, MO 63042-9998 USPS 016957 POSTMASTER: Send address changes to: <b>THE FORERUNNER</b> Fee Fee Baptist Church 11330 St. Charles Rock Road
<b>Wednesday, July 24</b> 9:00 a.m. Gym Walking 9:00 a.m. Pickleball 6:00 p.m. Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Chi Alpha Summers (Youth) 6:15 p.m. Men's Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal	PERIODICAL
<b>Thursday, July 25</b> 9:00 a.m. Six Flags Youth Trip	
<b>Friday, July 26</b> 9:00 a.m. Gym Walking 9:00 a.m. Pickleball	
<b>Saturday, July 27</b> 8:30 a.m. International Food Pantry	
<b>Sunday, July 28</b> 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship 9:45 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship & The Lord's Supper 6:00 p.m. Summer Concert - Timothy Noble 7:00 p.m. Super Sundae Nights	
<b>Monday, July 29</b> 9:00 a.m. Gym Walking 9:00 a.m. Adult VBS 7:00 p.m. Pickup Basketball TBD Ukraine Mission Team Arrives Home	
<b>Tuesday, July 30</b> 7:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels 9:00 a.m. Adult VBS	
<b>Wednesday, July 31</b> 9:00 a.m. Gym Walking 9:00 a.m. Pickleball 9:00 a.m. Adult VBS 6:00 p.m. Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Chi Alpha Summers (Youth) 6:15 p.m. Men's Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal	
<b>Thursday, August 1</b> 9:00 a.m. Adult VBS	
<b>Friday, August 2</b> 9:00 a.m. Gym Walking 9:00 a.m. Pickleball 1:00 p.m. Prime Time Game Time 8:00 p.m. First Friday - Swim Night	
<b>Saturday, August 3</b> 9:00 a.m. Bible Study Open House for Preschool/Elementary Children & Families	
*Reminder: No Choir Practice in July.	

A Word From Pastor Zach

First, let me say that I am so glad to be back home! I so appreciate both Andrew and also Aaron Lumpkin from MBU for filling the pulpit while I was gone. I have heard they did a great job! While I was gone, I got to see a lot of amazing sites during my time in England. The Martyr’s Square in Oxford, the Kilns where C.S. Lewis lived, and the underground bunkers where Churchill operated during WWII, among many others. However, in the midst of all that incredible history, there will be one particular moment that will be embedded into my mind for years to come.

My cohort and I traveled to St. Peter’s and St. Paul’s Church in Olney, England. It was here that John Newton served as the Parish Priest from 1764-1780. We got to sit in this church and sing “Amazing Grace,” the hymn that Newton had penned 250 years ago.

What was amazing about this experience was to think of the incredible grace of our God. You see, Newton had followed in his father’s footsteps as a sailor, and eventually became the captain of a slave ship, transporting captured Africans to the New World to be sold into bondage. Over the course of several years, God got a hold of Newton’s heart, and he left his position as captain and entered into the priesthood.

Newton’s radical transformation made him a significant part of the growing evangelical movement in England. He was a mentor to many, including William Wilberforce, who he encouraged to stay in politics and fight for the abolition of slavery. In addition, during his time in Olney, he counseled a troubled poet William Cowper, who wrote such hymns as “There is a

Fountain Filled with Blood,” during his time with Newton.

Newton, who is buried in Olney, has an interesting inscription on his tomb. It says, “Once an infidel and libertine. A servant of slaves in Africa was by the rich mercy of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ preserved, restored, pardoned and appointed to preach the faith he had long labored to destroy.”

What an incredible testimony! He was an enemy of the gospel, who realized he was a slave to sin and was radically transformed by his Savior. As we sang the words of “Amazing Grace,” I couldn’t help but to be incredibly moved by how God had saved “a wretch like me.” It was an emotional time where I was reminded again of the incredible power of the gospel to save anyone at any time.

Maybe there is a John Newton in your life. Someone whose life is so immersed in sin that you don’t know how they will ever turn to Christ. Let his testimony be an encouragement to you. No one is too far from the saving hand of God! Look for opportunities to share the truth of the gospel with those around us who need it the most!

One way for us to share the gospel not just with our lips, but also with our lives in the upcoming days is through our Free Market. On Saturday, July 20, we will be having our annual event where we give away things like school supplies to our community. Let’s live out the gospel by serving our community and meeting some needs. Also, while we have the Free Market, let’s take advantage of opportunities to share about God’s amazing grace!

In Him,

Pastor Zach

Fee Fee Baptist Church Vision:  
Intentionally reaching our community by living a lifestyle committed to Christ!

Prime Time

Gloria Fox, Director of Senior Adults & Bible Study

Summer is here so we are going to do some “COOL” things in July. On Tuesday, July 23, we will go to the Science Center for the OMNIMAX movie on volcanos and then tour the Pompeii exhibit. You can do both or choose just one. There are senior discounts on Tuesday but they are not listed on their website. The normal price for the movie is \$9 and the exhibit is \$16.95. Afterwards we will go to lunch at the Bloom Café next door. The bus will leave church at 9:15 a.m. The movie will begin at 10:00 a.m. Make sure to invite some friends and neighbors!

Adult VBS will be Monday, July 29 through Thursday, August 1, from 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. We cannot let the kids have all the fun! We will study the book of James and have some music, food, great fellowship, laughs, and find out what is expected of a Christian. Bring your Bible and a friend or two. You do not have to be old to attend – adults of all ages welcome!

Bible Study Corner

These are Jesus’ last words, as recorded by his disciple Matthew:

“All authority in heaven and earth has been given to me. Therefore **GO** and **Make Disciples** of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age” (Matthew 28:18-20, NIV).

Do you think this is important for us to take seriously?

Over a year ago we challenged the church to do two things? 1) Disciple someone and 2) find a place to serve. Did you take this challenge to heart? Jesus expects the very same thing of you. Make sure you, too, are being disciplined by being in Bible study!

Community Connection

Andrew Yakel, Interim Associate Pastor

Free Market – July 20

If you’re like me and have stuff lying around your house that you don’t need, then sign up for a spot at our Free Market on Saturday, July 20. The Free Market is like a garage sale but everything is FREE! So you can give away clothes, toys, books, furniture, anything that you don’t use that may bless someone else. In addition to our own stuff, we are also collecting new school supplies to give away to the families in our community. You can bring the following new items and place them in the bucket labeled “Free Market” at the church: backpacks, pencils, erasable colored pencils, Fiskars scissors, Elmer’s glue bottles, dry erase eraser, Clorox cleaning wipes, baby wipes, quart-sized Ziploc bags, wide-ruled spiral notebooks, pocket folders, plastic pencil boxes, pencil erasers, 24-count crayons, Elmer’s glue sticks, 4-count Expo markers, bottles of hand sanitizer, boxes of Kleenex, gallon-sized Ziploc bags, and wide-ruled notebook paper.

The sign-up sheet can be found by the Media Center. Please plan to be at church by 8:00 a.m. on July 20 to set up your items at the bottom of the parking lot. We will have tables available for set-up, but you are welcome to bring your own.



We are half way through *Summer in the Psalms*. How has it impacted your heart and mind?

Music Musings

Ronna Paden, Director of Music

Concert Series

Our first concert featuring The Lesters was attended very well. As you would imagine, they hit it out of the park with their tight harmonies and ability to include many different styles in their presentation. We would like to extend a huge thank-you to those of you who have helped to promote these concerts by distributing posters or personal invitations. A special thank-you goes to Kathy Webber and her wonderful team for providing the Super Sundae refreshments. As always this crew was second-to-none. It's not an easy task to know how to plan the size of an audience with varying time constraints. A deep appreciation is extended to the childcare, security, and welcoming teams. Not to be overlooked was the yeoman duties of our intern, Christian Baugher, as he was pressed into action to do sound checks and run sound for our guests. What a blessing to have Christian working at Fee Fee this summer! It takes many individuals working in tandem to have a successful event.

There are still more great concerts coming up in the following weeks. You will be blessed. Invite friends, neighbors, and co-workers. The message of salvation will be featured in all.

America's First Book - A Hymnal!

The title of this book was originally, "*The Whole Booke of Psalmes Faithfully Translated into English Metre*." Quite a long title, wouldn't you say? Later it became shortened to simply "*The Bay Psalm Book*." This book was published in Cambridge, Massachusetts in 1640. The first edition did not contain music annotation; these were added in the 9th edition in 1698. Remarkably the book has never been out of print!

Here is how Psalm 23 appeared in the original book:

1. *The Lord to mee a shepheard is,*  
*want therefore shall not I,*
2. *Hee in the folds of tender-grasse,*  
*doth cause me downe to lie:*  
*To waters calme me gently leads*
3. *Restore my soule doth hee:*  
*he doth in paths of righteousness:*  
*for his names sake leade mee.*
4. *Yea though in valley of deaths shade*  
*I walk, none ill I'le feare:*  
*because thou art with mee, thy rod,*  
*and staffe my comfort are.*
5. *For mee a table thou hast spread,*  
*in presence of my foes;*  
*thou dost annoynt my head with oyle.*  
*my cup it over-flowes.*
6. *Goodness & mercy surely shall*  
*all my dayes follow mee:*  
*and in the Lords house I shall dwell*  
*so long as dayes shall bee.*

Christmas Casting Call – Baby Jesus

Planning stages are in progress for Christmas performances and we will need a lot of hands on deck. This is a joyous service opportunity. As always we love to have a live baby in the role of baby Jesus. So if you know of any small babies or "expected" babies, please let Ronna know.

Family Front

Kathy Scott, Director of Children & Family Ministries

Get your swim fins and your goggles ready and meet us at the Bridgeton Pool for “Swimming under the Stars” August 2, 8:00 to10:00 p.m. It’s \$5 per person or a max of \$20 per family.

On Saturday, August 3, we will have an Open House from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Families of preschoolers and elementary children are invited to have donuts with us and meet your new Bible study teacher and see your classroom for the new school year.

August 4 is Promotion Sunday is for preschoolers, elementary children, and youth. Thank you to our teachers, who have been so faithful in the past to teach our kids the precepts of God and have lovingly guided them to know Jesus better. It’s time to think about serving again in the church this next year. Maybe you haven’t been a teacher before but are sensing a nudge from the Lord that now is the time to serve. If that is the case, we need you. Our kids need you! Contact Kathy Scott if you are sensing that nudge. We have places in Bible study, Worship Care, KidZone, and Wednesday night Awana.

Our Children’s Ministry will look a little different this year. Birth through 5th graders will be our main focus. The 6th graders will join the middle school ministry. Please be praying with us for the servant leadership who will be serving in all areas of preschool and children’s ministries.

*1 Corinthians 13:4-7 - Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.*

Exciting Volunteer Opportunity!

Do you love kids? Do you want to help encourage the spiritual growth of the next generation? We need more team members in our 11:00 a.m. Worship Service to assist with the Preschool area. Contact Kathy Scott at kathy@feefeebc.org for more info.

Don’t Be In A Pickle...Let’s Play Pickleball!

If you are looking for a good time and enjoy playing games, then Pickleball may be just for you! A cross between tennis, ping pong, and badminton, Pickleball is easy to learn and quick to play. Join the Martins in the Gym every Wednesday and Friday at 9:00 a.m. Adults of all ages are welcome! For more info, contact Darlene Martin at (314) 920-2131.

Fee Fee Cemetery Now Hiring

The Fee Fee Cemetery is hiring to fill the position of Cemetery Manager. The Cemetery Manager is the primary point of contact, performing coordination and administrative tasks, along with some light/moderate physical work. This is a permanent, part-time position with the ability to work remotely some of the time. Work schedule will vary based on need and circumstances. Pay is hourly based on time worked. Contact (314) 739-2415 if interested.