

Weekly Summary	06-13-21	06-20-21
Sunday Bible Study Attendance	140	149
Worship Attendance:		
8:30 AM	109	127
11:00 AM	130	113
Worship Totals	239	240
Offering	\$10,843.40	\$10,617.06
E-Giving (5/25 - 6/14)	\$18,254.50	

NOW ACCEPTING
Donations for
Backpacks & School
Supplies

#2 Wooden Pencils
24-Pack Crayons
Colored Pencils
Washable Markers
Dry Erase Markers
Elmer’s Glue Sticks
Ink Pens
Erasers
Fiskar Scissors
Spiral Notebooks (Wide Ruled)
Composition Notebooks
Pocket Folders (3-holes)
3-Ring Binders
Clorox Wipes
Hand Sanitizer

Please place all donations in the Donation Center bins across from the Connection Center. **The last day to drop off backpacks and school supplies is August 3.** These will be given out during Free Market on August 7.

Devotional Corner

Taken from L.B. Cowman’s “Streams in the Desert,” Zondervan Updated Edition

“They will soar on wings like eagles,” (Isaiah 40:31).

There is a fable about the way birds first got their wings. The story goes that initially they were made without them. Then God made the wings, set them

down before the wingless birds, and said to them, “Take up these burdens and carry them.”

The birds had sweet voices for singing, and lovely feathers that glistened in the sunshine, but they could not soar in the air. When asked to pick up the burdens that lay at their feet, they hesitated at first. Yet soon they obeyed, picked up the wings with their beaks, and set them on their shoulders to carry them.

For a short time the load seemed heavy and difficult to bear, but soon, as they continued to carry the burden and to fold the wings over their hearts, the wings grew attached to their little bodies. They quickly discovered how to use them and were lifted by the wings high into the air. *The weights had become wings.*

This is a parable for us. We are the wingless birds, and our duties and tasks are the wings God uses to lift us up and carry us heavenward. We look at our burdens and heavy loads, and try to run from them, but if we will carry them and tie them to our hearts, they will become wings. And on them we can then rise and soar toward God.

There is no burden so heavy that when lifted cheerfully with love in our hearts will not become a blessing to us. God intends for our tasks to be our helpers; to refuse to bend our shoulders to carry a load is to miss a new opportunity for growth. —J.R. Miller.

OUR MISSION:
Fee Fee Baptist Church exists to make disciples who **build** their lives on Jesus and **pursue** the good of our community for the glory of God.

Ministry Opportunities

Sunday, July 4 — Independence Day
8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship
8:30 a.m. Preschool Care
9:45 a.m. Grounded Bible Study (B2)
9:45 a.m. A3/Foster Bible Study (FH)
9:45 a.m. A4/Land Bible Study (2nd floor)
9:45 a.m. A5/Potts’ Bible Study (DR)
9:45 a.m. A6/McPhillips Bible Study (FH)
9:45 a.m. A7/Land/Jennings Bible Study (C112)
9:45 a.m. A8/Crook Bible Study (C114)
9:45 a.m. A9/Knepper Bible Study (C112)
9:45 a.m. International Class (B4)
9:45 a.m. Kids’ Bible Studies
10:00 a.m. Youth Bible Study
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship
11:00 a.m. Preschool Care
11:00 a.m. KidsZone
5:00 p.m. Deacons’ Meeting
Monday, July 5 — Office and Building Closed in observance of Independence Day
7:00 p.m. Live Prayer on [Facebook](#)
Tuesday, July 6
7:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels
10:00 a.m. Bramstedt Bible Study (B4)
7:00 p.m. Worship Practice - Traditional
No ESL Classes in July
Wednesday, July 7
9:00 a.m. Isaiah Discussion on [Facebook Live](#)
10:00 a.m. Pickleball (Gym)
6:00 p.m. Chi Alpha Summers
6:00 p.m. Men’s Fraternity
7:00 p.m. Worship Practice - Contemporary
7:00 p.m. Handbell Practice (214)
7:00 p.m. Live Prayer on [Facebook](#)
7:30 p.m. Stewardship Committee
Thursday, July 8
7:00 p.m. Sermon Rewind on [Facebook](#)
No ESL Classes in July
Friday, July 9
7:00 p.m. Youth Church Mini Golf Night
Saturday, July 10
8:30 a.m. International Pantry (Off Campus)
6:00 p.m. Prime Time Summer Social (DR)
Sunday, July 11
8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship
8:30 a.m. Preschool Care
9:45 a.m. Grounded Bible Study (B2)
9:45 a.m. A3/Foster Bible Study (FH)
9:45 a.m. A4/Land Bible Study (2nd floor)
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10:00 a.m. Youth Bible Study
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship
11:00 a.m. Preschool Care
12:00 p.m. VBS Volunteer Training (DR)
6:00 p.m. Summer Concert - Charles Graham
Monday, July 12
9:15 a.m. Wagner/Sherer WOM
7:15 p.m. Properties Committee
Tuesday, July 13
7:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels
10:00 a.m. Bramstedt Bible Study (B4)
7:00 p.m. Worship Practice - Traditional
No ESL Classes in July
Wednesday, July 14
9:00 a.m. Isaiah Discussion on [Facebook Live](#)
10:00 a.m. Pickleball (Gym)
1:00 p.m. Blood Drive (Gym/FLC)
6:00 p.m. Chi Alpha Summers
6:00 p.m. Men’s Fraternity
7:00 p.m. Worship Practice - Contemporary
7:00 p.m. Handbell Practice (214)
7:00 p.m. Personnel Committee
7:00 p.m. Live Prayer on [Facebook](#)
Thursday, July 15
7:00 p.m. Sermon Rewind on [Facebook](#)
No ESL Classes in July
Friday, July 16
9:00 a.m. Family Fun Play Date (Gym/FLC/Play Area)
1:00 p.m. Prime Time Game Time (Café)
Saturday, July 17

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A Word From Pastor Zach

When you think about going on a summer trip, what comes to your mind? Some people think about beautiful sandy beaches. Others are drawn to the mountains. Maybe you are a family that loves going to Six Flags or Disney. Often, when we think about summer trips, we are thinking about rest, relaxation, and fun.

However, as you are reading this, a group of 26 youth and adults are on a different kind of trip. They are serving up in Minneapolis, MN, on a mission trip. Among other mission projects, our team is partnering with a Hispanic church, Alfa y Omega, and serving with them.

Our team will be doing physical labor in both the church and members’ homes. They also will be leading backyard Bible clubs for the church. Finally, they will be partnering with other missions agencies in Minneapolis to serve those in need and share the Gospel with the lost.

I am always so thankful for people who sacrifice their time to do this kind of “trip.” God’s heart is for us to be on mission. To go and to serve others. One of my favorite verses in Scripture is 2 Corinthians 5:20. It says:

“Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us. We plead on Christ’s behalf, “Be reconciled to God.””

Think about what it means to be an ambassador. An ambassador represents the interests of their country/kingdom as they live and serve in another country or kingdom.

They are a representative of that country’s government or monarchy. As ambassadors, we represent God to a lost and broken world. He is making His appeal through us!

One of the best ways for the church to represent God well in this world is through missions. When a group of students and adults take a week of their summer to go and serve those in need in Minnesota, I believe that the lost world around them notices.

However, it is important to note that we aren’t just ambassadors for God when we go on a mission trip. Rather, we are ambassadors for God each and every day. The way that we live our lives matter! What can we do to make sure we are clearly showing the love of Christ to the world around us?

I want to encourage you to be in prayer for our Minneapolis Mission Team. Pray that they will be ambassadors who represent King Jesus well as they serve in Minnesota. In addition, I want to encourage you to be praying for your own ambassadorship. Take a few moments this week and examine your life. Are you representing the interests of the Kingdom of God well in your neighborhood and community?

It is commendable to go on a mission trip. It is just as commendable to live boldly for Christ right here in St. Louis. Whether it is on a mission trip or in our everyday lives, let’s commit to being positive witnesses for Christ!

In Him,
Pastor Zach

Prime Time

Gloria Fox, Director of Senior Adults & Bible Study

We have some great events planned for the next quarter. Put this list on your fridge, sign up, and don't forget to show up if you sign up.

Saturday, July 10 – 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Summer Social — Watermelon, homemade ice cream, and table games.
Monday, July 26 – 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Churchill Museum in Fulton with lunch at Bek's.
Monday, August 9 – 10:00 a.m.	Mummy exhibit at the Science Center and lunch at Pappy's.
Wednesday, August 25 – 10:00 a.m.	Guest Speaker from the Department of Aging and lunch with sandwiches and salad.
Thursday, September 9 – 9:00 a.m.	Day trip to Casey Illinois to see "Big Things" and lunch at Whitley's Whimsies.
Thursday/Friday, September 30 – October 1	Overnight trip to the Amana Colonies. Price to be determined!

Hope you can join us for these great activities! Sign-up sheets will be in the Connection Center. If you sign up but cannot attend, please let me know. If this is an in-house event, it effects the amount of food we buy. If it requires the use of a bus, it effects the number of busses and bus drivers. I would really appreciate accurate information so I can plan accordingly.

It is so encouraging to see more and more of you showing up each week. We were meant for connection with each other and study of Scripture.

Bible Study Corner

Each week more people are returning to church for corporate worship and Bible Study. I would like to challenge each of you to get involved. Pastor Zach just preached through Hebrews 10, and we really are better together. We have classes for everyone. Hope to see you Sunday at 9:45 a.m.

Men’s Fraternity continues to meet through the summer, but all other Wednesday Bible Studies will resume on September 8.

Join me on Facebook Live on Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. for a study through Isaiah. If you cannot join live, it is posted on Facebook and website for viewing at your convenience.

Backpacks – Last year at the Free Market, we were able to hand out almost 100 backpacks filled with school supplies for the kids in our community. Our goal is to DOUBLE that number this year! We are hoping that small groups, Bible Study classes, Marco Polo groups, and any other group or individual will help us meet this goal. The Forerunner has a list of needed school supplies. Help us reach our goal by August 3 for handout at the Free Market on August 7.

Summer Social – Prime Time is having a fun Summer Social on Saturday, July 10 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. We will be enjoying watermelon, homemade ice cream, and table games. We would love for anyone who would like to join us, but you must sign up in the Connection Center so we can plan accordingly.

Chi Alpha News

Kyle Baldwin, Director of Student Ministries

Pray for our Minneapolis Mission Team – We are so fortunate to have 26 students and adult volunteers out serving this week in Minneapolis with Praying Pelican Missions. Please continue to pray for our team as we work with the local church and community that relationships can be built and lives will be focused on Jesus. Thank you so much for your continued support of our student ministry and their passion for missions!

DNOW Registration is Open!! – DNOW is back this summer and we are so excited for what God has in store for our students this summer. Our theme for the 2021 is “No Filter,” and we will be learning how God has designed us to stand out, and not to be living how the world tells us we should. DNOW will be July 23-25, and will be a weekend filled with music, games, fellowship, service projects, and the chance to build a great community with other students. The cost for the weekend is \$40.00. A \$10.00 deposit will be due by the registration deadline of July 11. You can register by filling out the form in The Rafters or on our website at dnow.feefeebc.org. We hope you will join us for this amazing weekend and invite your friends!

Chi Alpha Summers: Every Wednesday June 2 – August 11

June 26-July 2	Minneapolis Mission Trip	July 26-30	Serve for VBS
July 9	Church Mini Golf Night	August 7	Paintball
July 23-25	DNOW	August 22	Youth & Family BBQ

Music Musings

Ronna Paden, Director of Music

Hymn of the Month – When I was a little girl, the Linn County Baptist Association had a hymn sing each month. Different churches in the association would host the event which featured the "hymn of the month" which was sung along with other hymns compatible with the theme. Of course, I don't know how the "hymn of the month" was determined, but remembering this event got me started thinking and wondering if "hymn of the month" exists in various organizations today. Indeed, it does! Here are three web sites that share hymn stories of the month.

1. [Hymn Stories Organization](#) has a hymn of the month giving background information and details surrounding the inspiration for writing and the writer. Hymn Stories hymn for the month of June is *Where We'll Never Grow Old*.

2. [The Getty Family Hymn of the Month](#) – The Getty web site lists a hymn for the month with the accompanying story and the memory verse of the month. June’s selection is *Jesus Shall Reign*. Memory verse for the month is Psalm 72:17.

3. [Happy Hymnody](#) – This web site was developed to sow the truths of hymns into the hearts of children and encourage families to lift their voices in praise to the Holy One. Their hymn for the month of June is *This is My Father's World*.

"It could not be otherwise, but that Christianity be a singing faith. The Founder sang. He learned to sing from His Father. Surely, they have been singing together from all eternity...When He speaks galaxies come into being. And when He sings for joy, more energy is released than exists in all the matter and motion of the universe. If He appointed song for us to release our heart’s delight in Him, is this not because He also knows the joy of releasing His own heart's delight in song? We are a singing people because we are children of a singing God." –John Piper, theologian.

Christmas 2021 – It is time to start thinking about Christmas and get our act together! So, in order to plan, we need to find out how many people will participate. In particular, we are thinking about the Singing Tree. So obviously we need MANY singers to stand on its branches. It is not necessary for you to have any prior experience of singing on the tree, but please reply to Tara (tara@feefeebc.org), to let us know of your interest. We need you!

Family Front

Kathy Scott, Director of Children & Family Ministries

WE ARE HOSTING VBS AND SPORTS CAMP THIS YEAR! Yay!!! July 26-30 is VBS *Wilderness Escape* from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. We still have a few unique spots open for God to use you to help kids see how God guides and provides. If you are interested in volunteering, email Kathy at kathy@feefeebc.org or call the church office. Thank you for picking up supply donation slips. Donate or purchase the item(s) on the slip of paper and return to church by July 5. A specific need we have is the use of many [Easy-Up canopies](#). These will be used to recreate the Israeli marketplace for the kids to experience. If we could borrow one for that week, let me know, and bring it to the church.

Sports Crusaders Basketball Camp is also July 26-30 from 1-4pm In 2019, 4 children came to know Christ through our basketball camp! What a tremendous ministry this is for our kids to enjoy and know Christ in a fun and unique way. We still have a need for bed and breakfast arrangements for the 3 female college students (1-2 homes would be great) that are leading the camp. Let me know if you can open your home to these students.

Registration for VBS and Sports Camp Still Available on our website at feefeebc.org/freevbs or feefeebc.org/sports-crusaders. We can only accommodate 40 kids for basketball camp, so register early. (The same registration form can be used for both events).

Upcoming Family Events

Family Swim Night – The very next week after VBS we are hosting a FREE Family Swim Night at the Bridgeton Municipal Pool on August 6 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Free Market – On Saturday, August 7, we have our annual Free Market on our parking lot. Backpacks with school supplies will be available for kids in our community.

Welcome Weekend – On Saturday, August 14 we will be having our Welcome Weekend event for our preschoolers, children, and Youth that will be moving up to the next grade/department. This will give kids an opportunity to see their new classrooms and meet their teachers. Promotion day is Sunday, August 22.

Community Connection

Andrew Yakel, Associate Pastor

Blood Drive, July 14 – The Red Cross is running very low on blood donations, so we need you to sign up to donate at our next Blood Drive on Wednesday, July 14th from 1:00 – 6:00 p.m. Simply go to our site, <https://feefeebc.org/blooddrive/>, click on the Register Here link, and schedule your donation. You can also call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767). The drive will be held in the Family Life Center, and everyone donating can drive around to the back of the church and park in the lot by the gym and enter through the gym doors. On the blood drive page on the [church website](#) you can find some helpful info about donating, including who can donate and how to donate. If you have any questions about this, please contact Andrew (andrew@feefeebc.org).

Upcoming Mobile Market Dates

- July 19
- August 2
- August 16
- August 30

Anyone in the community is welcome to drive through our parking lot on those Mondays from 10:00 a.m. until noon (or whenever we run out of food) to have FREE groceries put in their car!