



# At First Glance

First Baptist Church

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## COME SHOELESS TO CHURCH **SHOELESS SUNDAY** JULY 21

BRING \$15 FOR A PAIR OF THE SHOE THAT GROWS  
BRING A NEW PAIR OF SHOES FOR FBC CLOTHES CLOSET



**DR. WADE  
SMITH**

**W**ithout faith it is impossible to please God (Hebrews 11:6). How is your faith? The scripture describes faith as the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen (11:1). What are you hoping for? Are you living your life with a confidence, assurance and conviction of those things in which you hope, those things in which you have faith, those things which you cannot see?

Do you have faith that God exists? Then, how does your life reflect that belief?

Do you have hope for eternal life?

Then, how are you preparing for that conviction? Do you have faith in God's Word through Scripture and prayer? Then, what steps of obedience are you daily practicing?

Over the next weeks our worship will focus on the stories of faith that are commended in Hebrews 11. We are familiar with the faith of Noah, Moses, Abraham, Sarah and the others mentioned in the first part of the chapter. But, later in the chapter, we are reminded of the faith of other Old Testament judges, prophets and King David. Some of the accounts are encouraging, others are troubling. I look forward to exploring these stories with you, trusting that as we see faith in others, our own faith will be strengthened and more deeply understood.

The month of June has passed quickly, yet with meaningful worship and ministry. Our youth have been to Falls Creek, our children have experienced F.I.S.H. camp and 38 of our adults cruised the Rhine River together. Our Worship Arts Ministry presented Pops in the Park

(in the Sanctuary) and our Community Ministry sponsored Serve Day at the Baptist Children's Home. Summerscope continues each day and weekly camps like Gymnastics and Chef's Camp also took place. And yes, roof repairs and bathroom upgrades continue in the west wing.

July offers more opportunities for worship and ministry. Pray for our youth as they travel to Arlington July 1-2 for a couple of days of fun and as they spend July 14-18 in Watonga on mission leading VBS and working with local churches. Vacation Bible School is July 22-26.

Two special worship services await us in July as well. Shoeless Sunday is July 21. Our goal is to raise awareness of poverty that keeps people and especially children from having shoes. I hope that you will support our efforts at providing shoes locally and internationally for those in need. Youth Sunday is July 28. I look forward to hearing from Clint and our youth as they lead and share about all the things God has been doing in their lives throughout the summer.

Finally, July is the month we celebrate our freedoms and citizenship as Americans. The church offices and FLC will be closed on July 4-6. We hope this long weekend will enable you to spend time with family and friends. And I pray that your weekend of celebration will include worship at First Baptist on Sunday, July 7.

# Summer At First

MIDDLE SCHOOL FALLS CREEK



F.I.S.H CAMP



## ELLIOT RINGWALD

-RECITAL AND RECEPTION-



**JULY 14 • 6:00 P.M.**

**SANCTUARY**

*Bring cards and notes of appreciation  
honoring Elliot's years of service  
to our music ministry*



**JULY 28**

**2:00-4:00 P.M.**

**SOONER BOWLING CENTER,  
550 24TH AVE. NW  
\$5 PERSON; \$10 FAMILY MAX**

## Summer is the perfect time to find your place

With all of the activity around the church, it certainly makes the summer fly by. Falls Creek, F.I.S.H Camps, Summerscope, Pops in the Park, Rhine River trip, Family Serve Day, a vacation or two, flooding rains, and now we approach the 4th of July! Are you tired yet?

I hope you have saved some energy because there are so very many opportunities to serve — A mission trip to Watonga, Vacation Bible School, and S.M.A.K are still to come! Have you found your place to serve yet? There is still time to find your place to be a part of the ministries of First Baptist.

With all of the activities, it is very important that we understand that we must remain faithful in our generosity and stewardship in time as well as finances. With all of the ministries going on, our expenses increase during this season. Our Budget Administration Committee continues to work diligently and prayerfully in being able to manage cash flow and expenses. Thank you in advance for seeking God in the directions of these areas of your life.

Be blessed in this season of vacation and necessary times for Re-creation. They are important times in the flow of life. Times to be restored, to regain energy and focus. Find your place to worship, serve and tell your faith story if not in words in deeds and through your daily life.

Peace and grace through this season!



**ROY JOE  
HAM**

## FAMILY LIFE CENTER SUMMER FUN

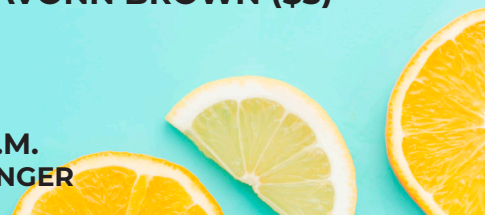
**SENIOR SEMINARY WITH DR. LAVONN BROWN (\$5)**

**JULY 19 • 9:30- 11:30 A.M.**

**SUMMER CRAFTS (\$15)**

**JULY 16: 9:00 A.M. • JULY 19: 6:30 P.M.**

**WOODEN BIRTHDAY CAKE DOOR HANGER**



# VACATION *Bible School*

**JULY 22-26**

**9:00 A.M. TO NOON**

**REGISTER AT [FBCNORMAN.ORG](http://FBCNORMAN.ORG)**

**OUR VBS OFFERING WILL GO TO  
THE SHOE THAT GROWS MINISTRY**



## JULY HIGHLIGHTS

**JULY 1-2**

**\*YOUTH: TEXAS RANGERS/SIX FLAGS**

**JULY 2**

**WMU, 11:30 a.m., FLC**

**JULY 4-6**

**CHURCH OFFICE AND FLC CLOSED**

**JULY 7**

**FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY SUPPER**

**4:00 p.m., Hallock Hall**

**CLOTHES CLOSET**

**4:30-5:30 p.m.**

**JULY 8**

**WIDOW SUPPORT GROUP**

**11:30 a.m., Family Life Center**

**\*VBS VOLUNTEER TRAINING**

**6:00-7:00 p.m., Hallock Hall**

**JULY 9**

**\*SUMMER SUPPERS FOR WOMEN**

**6:00 p.m., Chuys, 760 N. Interstate Dr.**

**YOUTH BIBLE STUDIES**

**6:30 p.m.**

**JULY 10**

**YOUTH WILD WEDNESDAY**

**6:00 p.m., Youth Hall**

**\*VBS VOLUNTEER TRAINING**

**6:00-7:00 p.m., Hallock Hall**

**WRITING YOUR LIFE STORY**

**6:30-7:30 p.m., Family Life Center**

**JULY 11**

**\*VBS VOLUNTEER TRAINING**

**6:00-7:00 p.m., Hallock Hall**

**JULY 14**

**\*YOUTH WATONGA MISSION TRIP**

**56 CONNECT**

**9:15 a.m., 212**

**\*VBS VOLUNTEER TRAINING**

**11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m., Hallock Hall**

**ELLIOT RINGWALD RECITAL**

**6:00 p.m., Sanctuary/Hallock Hall**

**JULY 16**

**\*CUPCAKE PAINTING CLASS**

**9:00 a.m., Family Life Center**

**\*VBS VOLUNTEER TRAINING**

**6:00-7:00 p.m., Hallock Hall**

**JULY 17**

**WRITING YOUR LIFE STORY**

**6:30-7:30 p.m., FLC**

**JULY 19**

**\*SENIOR SEMINARY**

**9:30 a.m., Family Life Center**

**\*CUPCAKE PAINTING CLASS**

**6:30 p.m., Family Life Center**

**JULY 21**

**SHOELESS SUNDAY**

**DEACON LEADERSHIP TEAM**

**11:30 a.m., Media Conference Rm**

**\*S.M.A.K AUDITIONS**

**3:00-6:00 p.m., Choir Room**

**FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY SUPPER**

**4:00 p.m., Hallock Hall**

**FOOD PANTRY**

**4:30-5:30 p.m.**

**JULY 22-26**

**\*VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**9:00 a.m.-Noon**

**JULY 23**

**YOUTH BIBLE STUDIES**

**6:30 p.m.**

**JULY 24**

**YOUTH WILD WEDNESDAY**

**6:00 p.m., Youth Hall**

**JULY 28**

**YOUTH SUNDAY**

**\*FAMILY BOWLING FUN**

**2:00-4:00 p.m. Sooner Bowling**

**JULY 30**

**YOUTH BIBLE STUDIES**

**6:30 p.m.**

**JULY 31**

**YOUTH WILD WEDNESDAY**

**6:00 p.m., Youth Hall**

**\* REGISTRATION OR PAYMENT REQUIRED**

## JULY BIRTHDAYS

**July 1:** Joyce Johnson  
**July 2:** John Dwyer, Hillary Hawkins, Wilma Minyen, Alyssa Smith, Jennifer Smith  
**July 3:** Chris Lewis  
**July 4:** James Harp, Chad Smith, Ina Snyder  
**July 5:** Shelley Wilson  
**July 7:** Jeff Jones  
**July 8:** Jean Allen, Nita Bill  
**July 9:** Vivian Holt, Isabella Nava  
**July 10:** Ruth Ann Carr, Johnny High  
**July 11:** Don Burgess, Ann Terrell  
**July 12:** Susan Knight, William Leber, Shirley McCormick, Pat Tucker  
**July 14:** Trenton McMillen  
**July 15:** Ian Chandra, Gabriel Cherry, Jeffery Craighead, Hannah Gordoni  
**July 16:** Glenn Bowles, Luke Dwyer, Wayne Parrish  
**July 17:** Doyal Hedrick  
**July 18:** Sharon Garrett, Andrea Hale, Noah

Hodges, Loretta Ketner  
**July 19:** Madison Rigney, Wade Smith, Ed Spann, Tiffany Sullivan, Ethan Wilson  
**July 20:** Tracy Foor, Eleanor Mullinax, Wilson Mullinax, Warren Osburn  
**July 21:** Gloria Lamar, Ben Shiau, Jack Smith  
**July 22:** Claud Dill, Jeffrey Dismukes  
**July 24:** Pat Allen, Jen Tek Kao  
**July 25:** John DeLany, Estelle Evans  
**July 26:** Kathy Golden  
**July 27:** Jane Kroeker, Leslie Singer, Austin Taylor  
**July 28:** Glenn Adams, Robin Antonio, Jan Seratte, Charity Warren  
**July 29:** Huwanta Blasius, Laurie Foor, Helen Hull  
**July 30:** Lynn Murdock, Lise Simpson  
**July 31:** Julie Bradford, Donna Dye, Betheen Page

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**JULY 15**  
 REGISTRATION  
 DEADLINE

**S.M.A.K CAMP**

SUMMER MUSIC & ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS

**9 A.M. - 3 P.M. • AUGUST 5-9**

CALL ROBIN, 321-1753, TO SCHEDULE A SOLO OR DRAMA AUDITION  
 3:00 - 6:00 P.M. JULY 21

**FBCNORMAN.ORG**

**TRAVEL PARTY**

**6:00 P.M. JULY 16**

**FAMILY LIFE CENTER**

WE WILL RELIVE MEMORIES AND MAKE PLANS FOR FUTURE TRIPS  
 EVERYONE WELCOME!



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## SYMPATHIES

The First Baptist Church family wishes to extend sympathies to:

Brad, Courtney, Max, Sam and Grace Singleterry at the passing of Brad's father, Paul Singleterry.

The friends and family of Ruth Gattis at her passing.

Elizabeth Clancy at the passing of her husband, Erin Clancy