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Fall Kick-Off August 30



Join us for a **picnic** and **fun** on the lawn at 12:30 pm!

There will be an inflatable slide, dunking booth, snow-cones, and more!

Chicken and drinks will be provided.

Please bring a side to share.



A Blessing of the Backpacks and the School Year

Children, youth, and teachers are invited to come forward during Awakening and Traditional Worship, bringing their backpacks to be blessed for the year ahead!



Widening Our Welcome

Wednesday, **August 26** at 5:30 pm over dinner in the Fellowship Hall

As part of our "Widening Our Welcome" series, Tim Carson, Pastor at Broadway Christian Church, will be with us to talk about covenant, which is at the heart of every marriage relationship, and Broadway's choice to become Welcoming and Affirming. To make your reservation for dinner contact the church office at churchinfo@fbc-columbia.org. Childcare will be available; please mention number of children when you make your reservation.





Fall Sermon Series Moses: The Man Behind the Movies

According to Scripture, Moses lived to be 120 years old. Would you believe that people have been making movies about him for just about that long, now? One of the earliest movies about Moses was made in France; it was a short film called "Moses in the Bullrushes" made in 1903. The 1923 silent film, "The Ten Commandments," was a huge hit. And the 1956 remake of that movie, starring Charlton Heston, is on the top-ten list of all-time highest-grossing films adjusted for ticket price inflation.

I read this week that more movies have been made about Moses than any other biblical character. It is not surprising. Moses is a larger than life figure, even in scripture and unlike most biblical characters we know his whole story, from birth to death. It is no wonder that his life has captured the imagination of filmmakers. For the next few weeks in worship, we will be looking at the story of Moses found in the book of Exodus and talking about Moses: The Man Behind the Movies.

To get ready for the series, you might want to grab some popcorn, your bible and check out one of these epic films. I am watching "Exodus: God and Kings," "The Ten Commandments" and "The Prince of Egypt" this week! I'll be posting my reviews on the church's Facebook page.

Cam McEntyre

Volunteers Needed: Night Under the Stars

On **September 27**, First Baptist will host Night Under the Stars, a fundraising event for Room at the Inn designed to help students better understand the effects of poverty in homelessness in our community. To make this event work, we need adult volunteers to: help prepare food, serve a meal, lead in our poverty simulation, serve as hosts, help with registration, serve as overnight leaders, help with set up and tear down, and more. You can sign up online on the church website or by emailing mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org. Mark your calendar today to help with this great event.



Scholarships Awarded

Congratulations to Lexie Kieffer and Chelsea Wells, 2015 recipients of the Lionberger and Luebbers Scholarships. Lexie, daughter of Nick and Janet Kieffer, will apply scholarship funds towards her freshman year at Belmont College in Nashville, TN. Chelsea Wells, daughter of Lisa and Robert Wells, is utilizing her scholarship monies towards an internship in Chicago this fall as part of her Music Therapy degree from Drury University in Springfield. An anonymous committee of three persons meets to consider the applications and to award distribution. Thanks to the committee members and congratulations to Lexie and Chelsea.

Dear First Baptist,

Thank you so much for the scholarship money. I have sincerely enjoyed every moment I have spent with my church family. You guys have made growing up in Christ something that will continue to impact my life in everything I do. I can't say thank you enough for the support you have showed me all of these years. I will miss you all so much in Belmont.

*Love always,
Lexie Kieffer*

Prayers & Concerns:

Barry Kausler is undergoing chemotherapy for colon cancer.

Marsha Randell: last week the surgeons were unable to perform the necessary procedure due to the spread of her cancer. She is considering new chemo options and covets your prayers.

Dell Keepers is recovering from a broken ankle, at the Bluffs.



Youth News

August 23rd is Promotion Sunday- Don't miss our special event for students.

To celebrate Promotion Sunday our youth (and anyone else interested) are invited to join us for a trip to K.C. for an afternoon of fun at SkyZone (indoor trampoline park) and Powerplay (for WhirleyBall). The cost is \$20 per person plus food for dinner. We will leave at 12:30pm and return to First Baptist by 8:30pm. The bigger the teams the more the fun! Youth are encouraged to invite their friends. Please let Michael know ASAP if you are planning on joining us.

Youth Parent Meeting Sept 14th at 4:00pm

Attention all parents of youth. There will be an important meeting for youth parents on Sunday Sept. 14th at 4:00pm to discuss our Fall plans for Student Ministry, our upcoming Ski Trip, and a mission trip possibility for next summer. Please mark your calendar now to attend.



The Calling starts Sept 14th

Sundays 5pm, Youth Suite

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Students 6th- 12th Grade

Our weekly gathering for Middle and High School students will start Sunday Sept. 14th at 5:00pm. Each Sunday night our students gather to grow in Christ through community building events, great lessons, and fun activities.

Columbia's College Students are Back

Just a reminder to our First Baptist family that with the new semester comes the opportunity to connect with new students. I want to encourage all of you to be aware of guests and visitors joining us for worship over the next few months. Take time to introduce yourself and those around you. If you can, invite students to join you for lunch. There will be flyers with upcoming events for college and young adults in both areas of worship, be sure our guests know about our activities. If possible, try and connect our college guests to one of our current students or myself. Lastly, if you have a great conversation with a student, be sure to send me an email at mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org and let me know so I can be sure to follow up that week. The most recent studies available show that college students need places where adults care for, and connect with, them. I hope you will join me in making First Baptist a home away from home.

Thanks,

Michael McEntyre

Upcoming College and Young Adult Events:

- Coffee and Waffles (our Sunday night Bible Study for College and young Adults) kicks off at 8:00pm on Sept. 13th. Each week we meet on the 3rd floor to learn, laugh, and grow together in our faith. Our focus for the fall will be on "The Words in Red," exploring the teachings of Jesus.
- Night Under the Stars Sept 27-28th. College students are encouraged to volunteer to help lead this challenging weekend for students on understanding poverty and homelessness in our community.
- The Fall Lecture Series with David Gushee Oct 17-18th. This event is a great way for college students to learn how to engage difficult topics of faith.
- The Afternoon at the Bay Farm on Oct 25th is a great way for students to get to know our church community, have fun, and eat a great meal!
- First Baptist Tailgate Party November 21st. Come on by and show your Mizzou pride as the Volunteers from Tennessee are in town trying not to lose to MU...again.

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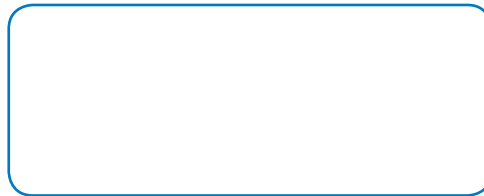
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Full and Part Time Openings

Child Development Center has full and part time openings for children 2 years-Pre-K for the 2015-2016 school year. Contact Debby Riley, CDC Director, at 443-7677 for more information.



Music Ministry Rehearsals Set to Resume

"It's time to come join us as we make our praises to God!"

Chancel Choir resumes Wednesday, **August 19** – 7:30 - 8:45 pm in the sanctuary. Psalm Players and Chancel Bells will begin on Wednesday, **September 2**, at 5:30 pm and 6:30 pm respectively.

New singers, ringers, and instrumentalists are always welcome. Please contact Ed Rollins at rollins@fbc-columbia.org, or just find him on Sundays.



Combined Worship and Communion Service this Sunday

All are invited to join together on **August 16** at 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall for combined worship and communion, led by our African congregation.