

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
OF ALBANY

JUNE, 2011



SUNDAY, JUNE 19TH



YOUTH CHURCH CAMP
JUNE 20TH - 24TH

**WOMEN ON MISSION
JUNE SCHEDULE**
KITCHEN DUTY AND CAKES FOR BIRTHDAY
PARTY AT GOLDEN LIVING CENTER -
M&M CIRCLE

Tues., June 07th - 6:30 p.m. - WMU Meeting
Thurs., June 09th - 2:30 p.m.- Birthday Party at Golden Living
Center

DEACONS FOR JUNE & JULY

JUNE:

5th - Dean Gillespie
12th - Kent Holcomb
19th - Mike Owsley
26th - Larry Allenbrand

JULY:

3rd - Kent Holcomb
10th - Mike Owsley
17th - Larry Allenbrand
24th - Jason Newman
31st - David Hansel

NURSERY WORKERS

June:

5TH - Karri Phillips
12th - Kelly Manring
19th - Jessie Manring
26th - Lori Crawford

JULY:

3rd - Kay Holcomb/Makenzie Smith
10th - Linda Richardson
17th - Dave & Pam Reece
24th - Sidney Youngs/Barbara Rainey
31st -

WMU END-OF-OF-THE-YEAR SALAD SUPPER

Come and enjoy an evening with missions
Tuesday, June 7th
at
6:30 p.m.

Bring a salad to share

Carolyn Houts will be the speaker and
will share about her years as a missionary in
Ghana, Africa

MAY, 2011

Regular Budget Offering

05/01.....\$4467.00
05/08.....\$3302.52
05/15\$2747.00
05/22.....\$3170.01
05/29 \$
Weekly Average \$3,421.63
Weekly Budget\$3,339.29

AVERAGE ATTENDANCE

Sunday School..... 108
Morning Worship..... 186

BUILDING FUND

05/01.....\$857.00
05/08 \$370.00
05/15.....\$524.00
05/22 \$375.00
05/29 \$
TOTAL \$2,270.00

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FROM THE PASTOR:

When I was younger, a well intentioned statement always offended me. I was a young man, pretty involved in my church youth group. My church, my faith, my God were very important to me. I was trying to live out the commitment I had made to be a Christian. I wanted my life to make a difference in the lives of others.

And time and time again I would hear, "Youth are the future of the church." Today I understand its good intent. Then I didn't.

Today, I recognize that it is a statement of hope and aspiration. We have great hope for our youth. We desire great things from their lives. We understand that without them the days of the church are numbered. We believe that God will use them when others of us have gone on.

Then, I believed that statement spoke to my inability. I believed it meant I would one day matter to the church, but I didn't matter yet. I believed it meant that everything I was doing was just a test run for the days when what I did really carried value.

This month will be an exciting month for our church. Our youth will lead us in worship on the first Sunday of June. They will be the church...right here and now. It will be a great day of worship! Then they will go to camp and we will have the joy of seeing how 15 or so kids have been impacted by a week focused on their spiritual growth. They will have a chance to develop as not only the future church, but the current church!

I am so thankful that we are a church diverse in age. It's hard to be this kind of church. Most churches have settled for being old churches or young churches. They don't attempt being both. Being both means we have large groups or people who think differently, worship differently, learn differently, grow differently, serve differently. It's hard.

But this is the way the church is supposed to be. The church isn't supposed to be about me, but about us and about them. Their needs should matter more than mine. I hope we can become a church more and more committed to the desires of others. I can't wait for the day that an eighty year old woman comes to my office and says, can we sing more of that loud music that I hate, because I love to see those kids love it. I hope on the same day a teen comes in and says, can we sing more of those hymns that I can't understand because I love to see the senior adults worship. What a beautiful day that will be!

Together, we are the church - youth, parent, child, senior adult, single, and all of the rest of us. Together we are the church of today and the church of the future.

Pray for our youth this month. Pray that they will continue to lead us...today and in the future.

**BUSINESS MEETING
SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2011
6:30 P.M.**

PLEASE NOTE THE DATE CHANGE

**PRIME-TIMERS LUNCHEON
Thursday, June 23rd
12:00 Noon
In Fellowship Hall**



**YOUTH CAMP
Grand Oaks Campgrounds
Monday, June 20th - Friday, June 24th**

**LIFELIGHT MUSIC FESTIVAL
June 24-25, 2011
Miracle Hills Ranch
Bethany MO
Free Admission**

Gates open at 12:00 p.m. - Friday, June 24th

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| 3 stages | Kaleidoscope Children's Area |
| Camp sites | Shopping |
| Inflatables | Food, Snacks |
| Paddle Boats & Canoes | 5K & 10K Run |
| Swimming & Water Slide | Paintball and more |

GOLDEN LIVING CENTER WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, June 5th
2:00 p.m.

You are invited to join us for this service.

FAITH UNITED BAPTIST CHURCH, ST JOSEPH
called and asked if we would like to join them in helping gather items to help the folks in Joplin. They suggested water, non-perishable foods, and hygiene products. We will need these items at the church by June 12th.

JUNE IN A NUTSHELL

- Wed., 1ST - 10:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study
- Sat., 4th - 8:00 a.m. Non-Church Event
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- Sun., 5th - 2:00 p.m. ... Worship Service at Golden Living Center
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Group
- Wed., 8th - 10:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study
- Thurs., 9th - 2:30 p.m. Birthday Party at Golden Living Center
- Sun., 12th - 4:00 p.m. The Gospelaire
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Group
- Wed., 15th - 10:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study
- Sun., 19th - 5:30 p.m. Youth Group
- Mon., 20th - Fri., 24th - Youth Camp
- Wed., 22nd - 10:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study
- Thurs., 23rd - 12:00 NoonPrime-Timers Luncheon
- Fri., 24th & Sat., 25th LifeLight Music Festival
- Sun., 26th - 5:30 p.m.....Choir
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Group
- 6:30 p.m. Business Meeting
- Wed., 29th - 10:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study

THE GOSPELAIRES

On Sunday, June 12th at 4:00 p.m. "The Gospelaire", a group from Lawson, MO will present the "Good News" in song at First Baptist Church. The program is open to the public and a "Love Gift" offering will be taken for "The Gospelaire". Following the program, there will be a Carry-In Supper for all. There will be approximately 20 guests and maybe more, if you invite your friends and neighbors, so plan for extra at the meal and plan to join us for fun, food and fellowship. Questions: Call Barbara Rainey (726-3362) or Kay Holcomb (726-5797).