

# 1st CONNECTIONS

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Dear Church,

I want to tell you some good news.

1. We've had 13 babies born or adopted into the life of this church since last Mother's Day, and we hope to present all of them with their parents on Sunday, May 8th at 10:50am. Our nursery and our children's ministry is growing!

**Our babies:**

*Evie Dyer, Emmerson Herzog, Dalton Wilbanks, Carson Cooley, Eden Gibbs, Ollie Malcom, Georgia Grace Bruce, Emmanuelle Mbota, Lee Stroberg, Rosemary Garner, Mitchell Strong, Jaxon Hammons & Logan Gilbert*

2. We will honor the graduates of our local high schools on Sunday, May 15th in 10:50am worship. These have been a part of our life during some of their most formative years, and we thank God for them and for their future.

**Our graduates:**

*Alexander Amos, Katherine Anderson, Erika Antonio, Chris Barry, Dana Barry, Morgan Bush, Sally Callahan, Cory Campbell, Carlee Cosper, Josh Denton, Jacob DeWitt, Katie Rose Dionne, Kara England, Thomas Garner, Isabella Gonzales, Zack Green, Emily Hooper, Katie Hooper, Lindsey Johnson, Emmeline Jones, Andrew Lathem, Mac McKinstry, Jackson Meek, Kiki Mihok, Abigail Nelson, Quang Nguyen, Katie Oliver, Will Perry, Becky Pressley, Ally Roberts, Susanna Sartain, Faith Schuebert, Savannah Smith, Julia Smucker, Luke Snelling, Elizabeth Swett, Sam Terray, Chance Thoroman, Josiah Todd, Julianna Towns, Alexis Trawick, Alex Westfall, Jonathon Yearwood*

3. School will soon be out! Summer is here. This means VBS, youth missions, choir tour, and outdoor baptism (Father's Day, June 19th at 9:45am).

**Scheduled for baptism:**

*Lander Causey, Mason Kerrick, Jackson Kerrick, Caroline Lee, Abby McCall, John Hoffman & Brittany Arthur*

It's a good time of year, and I hope you fully enjoy it.

Your friend & pastor,



**If your name should be on one of the lists above, please contact Kristi in the church office (770-534-7354).**

## WORSHIP

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### Sunday, May 1st

#### Sixth Sunday of Easter

*The Teaching & Reminding Week*

OT: Psalm 67 NT: John 14:23-29

**OFFERTORY:** *The Gift of Love* (8:30am)

Duet: Della Ruth Johnson, Organ; Mark Green Piano

*Thine is the Glory* Exaltation! Orchestra (10:50am)

**CHORAL WORSHIP:** *Let the Song Go Round the Earth*

Agape Choir (8:30am) Sanctuary Choir (10:50am)

### Sunday, May 8th

#### Seventh Sunday of Easter

*Get Along, Children!*

OT: Psalm 97 NT: John 17:20-26

**MUSIC MEDITATION:** *Wonderful, Merciful, Savior*

Duet: Jeannine & Sally Callahan; Jamie Mancuso, Cello

**OFFERTORY PRAISE:** Tami Easterday, Piano Solo

**CHORAL WORSHIP:** *In the Hands of the Lord*

Hope Choir (8:30am) Sanctuary Choir (10:50am)

### Sunday, May 15th

#### Day of Pentecost/HS Graduate Sunday

*You Renew the Face of the Earth*

OT: Psalm 104:24-30, 35b NT: John 14:8-17, Acts 2:1-21

**PROCESSIONAL OF SENIORS:**

*Celebration Festival March* Exaltation! Orchestra

**CALL TO WORSHIP:** *Fanfare for Pentecost*

Rejoice Choir/Trumpets (8:30am) Sanctuary Choir/Trumpets (10:50am)

**OFFERTORY PRAISE:** *Majesty* Amy Hulsey, Piano (8:30am)

*Majesty & Grieg Piano Concerto*

Exaltation! Orchestra and Allie Heard, Piano (10:50am)

**CHORAL WORSHIP:** *This I Pray* Kim Abrams, Solo

Rejoice Choir (8:30am) Sanctuary Choir (10:50am)

### Sunday, May 22nd

#### Trinity Sunday

*Wisdom and Character*

OT: Proverbs 8 NT: Romans 5:1-5

**MUSIC MEDITATION:** *How Great Thou Art*

Leola Ramsey, Solo

**OFFERTORY PRAISE:** *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Mark Green, Piano (8:30am)

*Acclamation in G Minor* Sanctuary Ringers (10:50am)

**CHORAL WORSHIP:** *Our God is God*

Agape Choir (8:30am) Sanctuary Choir (10:50am)

### Sunday, May 29th

#### Second Sunday after Pentecost

*You Don't Want to Hear This*

OT: 1 Kings 18-20-21

NT: Luke 7:1-10, Galatians 1:1-12

**MUSIC MEDITATION:** *I Will Rise*

Caroline Coleman, Solo

**OFFERTORY PRAISE:** Alicia Donnell, Flute Solo

**CHORAL WORSHIP:** *On Jordan's Stormy Banks*

Hope Choir (8:30am) Sanctuary Choir (10:50am)

# MAY

- 01 Children: 5th Grade Recognition**  
9:45am in the Banquet Hall Lobby. Contact Kara Wheeler at karawheeler.fbc@gmail.com for more information.
- 1st @ 1st Luncheon**  
After 10:50am Worship in the Banquet Hall. A monthly churchwide luncheon!
- Foster Care Informational Meeting**  
4:00pm-6:00pm in the Banquet Hall. This meeting is for volunteers and potential foster families.
- 02 FLC: Red Cross Blood Drive**  
Drop by the Family Life Center between 12:00pm and 5:00pm to give blood.
- 04 Younger Children's Choirs Program**  
6:00pm in Quadrant A of the Banquet Hall. A reception of cookies and punch will follow the program.
- 09 Estes-Dozier Missions Meeting**  
10:15am in the Parlor. Janice Hale will present a report on the Promising Futures program here at FBC. Bring a salad and enjoy the end of the year lunch.
- 11 Students: VBS Training**  
6:00pm in the Nix Youth Auditorium. All students from 6th - 12th grades must attend VBS training to volunteer this summer!
- 12 Stewards of Children Training**  
6:00pm-8:00pm in Room 208. This training is for any adult who would like to increase awareness to prevent child sexual abuse and enhance the welfare of all children. Free of charge. Register with Kara by calling the church office at 770-534-7354 or by email at karawheeler.fbc@gmail.com. Childcare is available upon request. (This training will be offered again on Sunday, June 12 from 4pm-6pm.)
- 15 Senior Sunday**  
We will recognize our graduating high school seniors in the 10:50am Worship Service. Contact: Brenda at bthompsonok@hotmail.com.
- Students: Bahamas Mission Trip Meeting**  
5:30pm at the Cooper's House.
- Deacons Meeting** 6:00pm in the Kindred Spirits Classroom.
- 18 VBS Volunteer Training #1**  
6:00pm in the Nix Youth Auditorium. All volunteers must attend one of the two offered trainings to help with VBS this summer!
- Bystander CPR Training Class at the FLC**  
6:00pm at the FLC. Free. Learn how to save a life in this class taught by the North Georgia Heart Foundation's Dr. George Ordway. Contact flc.fbc.gainesville@gmail.com or 770-353-0478 to sign up.
- 20 Adults with Seniority: Lunch Bunch**  
We will depart at 9:00am for lunch at the Blue Willow Inn/Social Circle. Contact Janet Early at 770-524-7354 to RSVP!
- 22 VBS Volunteer Training #2**  
4:00pm in the Nix Youth Auditorium. All volunteers must attend one of the two offered trainings to help with VBS this summer!
- 25 Last Wednesday Night of Programs** Dinner and Chapel Time ends.
- 28 FLC: Parent's Night Out**  
5:00pm-9:00pm at the Family Life Center. Parent's enjoy a night out! For children ages 2-10 years old. \$12/first child and \$8/for additional siblings. Please bring a sack supper and drink. RSVP with Amy Mercer at 770-533-2794.
- 30 Church Office Closed** Memorial Day

## SAVE THE DATE: JUNE

03 1st @ 1st Luncheon  
06-10 Vacation Bible School  
06 Students: Fun Activity 12pm-4pm  
08 Students: Fun Activity 12pm-4pm  
10-19 Sonlight Choir Tour  
12 VBS Celebration Breakfast  
Sexual Abuse Awareness Training  
Deacons Meeting  
17 Adults with Seniority: Lunch Bunch  
19 Outdoor Baptism 9:45am  
Sonlight Homecoming Concert 7:00pm  
26-7.1 Youth Passport Camp  
29-7.2 Children's Passport Camp

### FBC would like to express our deepest sympathy to the following:

Jean Calderwood in the death of her husband  
**Gene Calderwood**

Sandra Edwards and Terri Armour in the death of their aunt  
**Grace Dinsmore**

Wanda Creel in the death of her father  
**James David Goree**

Family and friends of **Frank W. DeLong, Jr.**  
Charlotte Castleberry in the death of her cousin  
**Sandra Couch**

Friends and family in the death of **Ruth Fowler**  
Della Ruth Johnson in the death of her sister  
**Pauline Mills**

Pam Barrett in the death of her uncle **Thomas Brock**

## SUNDAY GIFTS

### March 20th, 2016

Wkly Req: \$58,869.00

Wkly Rec: \$44,928.34

Yr Req: \$706,428.00

Yr Rec: \$661,943.56

**Deficit: \$44,484.44**

### April 3rd, 2016

Wkly Req: \$58,869.00

Wkly Rec: \$64,581.52

Yr Req: \$824,166.00

Yr Rec: \$819,845.12

**Deficit \$4,320.88**

### March 27th, 2016

Wkly Req: \$58,869.00

Wkly Rec: \$93,320.92

Yr Req: \$765,299.00

Yr Rec: \$755,264.48

**Deficit: \$10,032.52**

### April 10th, 2016

Wkly Req: \$58,869.00

Wkly Rec: \$47,169.82

Yr Req: \$883,035.00

Yr Rec: \$867,014.94

**Deficit \$16,020.06**

## Welcome NEW MEMBERS!

Daisy and Larry  
Baldwin



Pat Mullin



### Help the FLC raise money for the September 17th 5K + 1 Mile Race!!

Fundraising kicks off for the Sunday School/Church Group challenge this month and will run through August. Collect loose change in a jar, donate directly to the FLC, or get creative and hold a group fundraiser of your own for the race! The class/group that raises the most money will be recognized with their name on the back of the race shirt and will receive a "thank you" party at the FLC! Please contact Gin at flc.fbc.gainesville@gmail.com or 770.535.0478 with questions and look for more information to follow in your classrooms.