

# FIRST BAPTIST NEWS

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First Baptist Church

## IN THE MIDST OF GOD

As you read this newsletter, I'll be traveling to the Biennial Summit for American Baptist Churches. This will be my first American Baptist conference, and I'm sure that I'll be meeting many new pastors from all around the country. Please pray for my family and me as we travel down and back from this happy gathering.

Our youth will also be traveling for their annual summer trip. So be praying for them as well. We have some great teenagers in our church! It's always important to remember that God is with us, so then we are always with God.

Our church life has been filled with God's Spirit and has experienced its own exciting gatherings here recently. We've been able to celebrate high school and college graduations, a baby dedication, and new members joining. We've filled up the baptistry, shared communion, and listened to some funky music at the Community Spring Celebration. It really has been a time for celebration and thankfulness.

There's plenty on the horizon as well. Eric Peters will be in concert on Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, as well as joining us for worship on the following Sunday. I've known Eric for a long time, and I promise you that you'll want to be around for this weekend! The Summer Music Festival will be happening in August and, of course, we'll have the weekly rhythms of worship and prayer and fellowship.

So as the summer days tick by, as you travel for vacations or to see family, be sure to swing by First Baptist when you're here. There's going to be a lot happening. And remember that what makes up the church is actually the people of the church. When we gather together, God blesses that gathering and we all are better for it.

Remember the words of Jesus from Luke 17:21. When the Pharisees keep asking Jesus about signs to predict the arrival of God's kingdom, Jesus tells them that the kingdom of God is already among us. No matter where you find yourself, no matter where you travel, remember that God is in your midst. Or perhaps the correct way to say it is that you are in God's midst.

Serving Together,  
Dr. Rob Collins  
Senior Pastor

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# Eric Peters

IN CONCERT @ FBC PEORIA

6PM SATURDAY, JULY 13

Come experience the authentic stories, superb music, and humble faith of Eric Peters. This concert is sponsored by First Baptist and is free to the whole community. Eric will also join us for worship on July 14.



## WORSHIP

10:00 a.m. Worship & Sunday School ■ 11:00 a.m. Fellowship Time

Sunday, June 23, 2019

Dr. Phil Ladd

**"IN THE VALLEY OF DRY BONES"**

Ezekiel 37: 1-14, John 11: 38-44

A positive themed sermon for life — "Even dry bones can live again". It will be a sermon of hope — that God has us and the world in his hands. Breath can make dry bones live again. There is hope in the Word, in worship, and through prayer.

Music: "My World Needs You" - Summer Choir

Visitor Center: Bonna Zimmerman

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Tom Maulding	Char Austin	Helen Nicol
Sharon Stanard	Rose Kimpling	Mark Stanard
Jim Ashton	June Fredell	Rosemary Walk
Mary Hinch	Jerry Edwards	Pam Orrill
Alyssa Russell	Karen Vickerman	Jacquelyn Kellogg
Ted Osborn (Dr. Osborn's brother)		

## Christ is all things

A JOURNEY THROUGH COLOSSIANS

FBC Peoria

Summer Sermon Series

June 30th - August 25th




In the incredible revelation of Jesus' death, resurrection, and ascension, the followers of Christ found themselves learning all new things about God. Their Messiah turned out to be God in the Flesh, he was and would forever be the Christ. And not just the Christ of this small group disciples, this is a Cosmic Christ.

In the revelation of God they discovered that Christ is all that matters and that Christ is in all people. This would go on to change their views of redemption, reconciliation, worthiness, love, and even salvation. Jesus is still the Cosmic Christ, the Christ that is all things. And this truth has enormous, wonderful, cosmic ramifications for our lives today!



# July 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 Please bring non-perishable food items on <b>July 7th</b> for the Westmark Food Pantry.	<b>1</b> 10AM MUGS2 @ Panera's	<b>2</b> 8:30AM FBC Exercise (Chapel) 10AM MUGS (Parlor)	<b>3</b> 5:15PM Guitar Rehearsal	<b>4</b> Church Office Closed 	<b>5</b> Church Office Closed.	<b>6</b> 8AM Men's Brkfst.
<b>7</b> <b>COMMUNION SUN.</b>  9AM Music Rehrsl. 10AM Worship & Children's SS 11AM Fellowship Time	<b>8</b> 10AM MUGS2 @ Panera's 5:45PM FBC Softball Game	<b>9</b> 8:30AM FBC Ex. (Chapel) 10AM MUGS (Parlor) 6:30PM Brd. Mtgs.	<b>10</b> 5:15PM Guitar Rehearsal	<b>11</b> 8:30AM FBC Exercise (Chapel) 4:30PM FRUT Mtg.	<b>12</b> Church Office Closed.	<b>13</b> 6PM Eric Peters Concert at FBC
<b>14</b> 9AM Music Rehrsl. 10AM Worship & Children's SS 11AM Fellowship Time 11:15AM Exec. Mtg.	<b>15</b> 10AM MUGS2 @ Panera's 11AM Heartwrmg. Hats 5:45PM FBC Softball Game	<b>16</b> <b>NEWSLETTER</b> 8:30AM FBC Exercise (Chapel) 10AM MUGS (Parlor) 6:30PM Board Meetings	<b>17</b> 5:15PM Guitar Rehearsal	<b>18</b> 8:30AM FBC Exercise (Chapel) 6:30PM Diaconate Meeting (Parlor)	<b>19</b> Church Office Closed.	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> 9AM Music Rehrsl. 10AM Worship & Children's SS 11AM Fellowship Time	<b>22</b> 10AM MUGS2 @ Panera's 7:15PM FBC Softball Game	<b>23</b> 8:30AM FBC Exercise (Chapel) 10AM MUGS (Parlor)	<b>24</b> 5:15PM Guitar Rehearsal	<b>25</b> 8:30AM FBC Exercise (Chapel)	<b>26</b> Church Office Closed.	<b>27</b> FBC Softball Make-up game, if needed.
<b>28</b> 9AM Music Rehrsl. 10AM Worship & Children's SS 11AM Fellowship Time	<b>29</b> 10AM MUGS2 @ Panera's 7:15 PM FBC Softball Game	<b>30</b> 8:30AM FBC Exercise (Chapel) 10AM MUGS (Parlor)	<b>31</b> 5:15PM Guitar Rehearsal	<b>FYI</b> Former FBC Senior Pastor Tom Bayes will celebrate his 70th birthday on July 10th. If you wish, cards may be sent to Tom at 15117 Colonial Park Drive, Huntersville, NC 28078.		

## UPDATED FBC SOFTBALL SCHEDULE ( FBC STATUS: A=AWAY TEAM, H=HOME TEAM)

Mon., June 24	6:30 p.m. vs. Richwoods Christian (H)	Sat., July 27	Rain make-up, if needed.
Mon., July 1	BYE Week — No Game	Mon., July 29	7:15 p.m. vs. Bethany Baptist West (A)
Mon., July 8	5:45 p.m. vs. United Presbyterian (A)	Mon., August 5	6:30 p.m. vs. Bethany Baptist East (H)
Mon., July 15	5:45 p.m. vs. Peoria Nazarene (H)	Mon., August 12	6:30 p.m. vs. Richwoods Christian (A)
Mon., July 22	7:15 p.m. vs. Peoria Heights CC (A)	Mon., August 19	BYE Week — No Game

Sat./Sun., Aug. 24/25 — Tournament TBD





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**SAVE THE DATE**  
**Sunday, August 4, 2019**

FBC Missionaries Larry & Rebecca Stanton will join us in worship and speak about their service in Hungary.

**American Baptist Men Gathering 2019**  
**“Called to be Servants”**

First Baptist Church  
534 St. Louis St., Edwardsville IL  
June 28-29

Join us for a weekend of worship,  
spiritual growth, fellowship, food, and activities.

Register on-line at: <https://forms.gle/nN1nM2y3gEb8Pw6E8> or pick up a registration form at the church.



**FIRST BAPTIST**

**Summer Music Festival**

**Saturday, August 17, 2019 – 5 to 8 PM**

Church ensembles will share the stage with musical guests for an evening of good weather, great food, and terrific music-making. Bring a lawn chair and a friend as we relax together and connect with the neighborhood and the community!