

# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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## Newsletter

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### OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

#### Have you ever wondered...?

Maybe you are a new attender at First Baptist Church. Maybe you've been a member here for a long time. Either way, at some point, have you ever wondered why we do things the way we do them? There will be brief articles like this one in the next few monthly newsletters that will hopefully inform you about why and how we do what we do and how you can be a part of it.

This month, we would like to introduce you to our volunteer boards. These are listed in our church by-laws:

Deacons – These are the spiritual leaders of our church who oversee and work alongside the pastoral staff in making important decisions about the direction of First Baptist Church.

Deaconesses – These women support the church by assisting with baptisms, visiting the sick, and making/serving meals for community dinners, funeral dinners, shut-ins, and more.

Trustees – This is a big church, and it requires a lot of maintenance. The Trustees keep things running smoothly, fix things that are broken, oversee the church secretary and custodian positions, and oversee our monetary stewardship.

Finance – This team, alongside the trustees, handles all of the financial aspects of the work of First Baptist Church.

Christian Education – The Board of C.E. oversees our Sunday School program, youth and children ministries, and adult programming.

Music – This board works with the Worship Pastor to schedule special music and worship events throughout the year.

Ushers – This team provides a kind smile and warm welcome to congregants as they arrive to the Sunday morning worship service, provides them a bulletin, and helps them find restrooms, classrooms, etc.

These seven boards are nominated by a Nominating Committee in the autumn, are presented at the November business meeting, and are confirmed by a vote in the December business meeting. Each board member is asked to serve three years.

We would have a difficult time doing the activities of the church if not for these people. If you would ever like to serve, please contact Pastor Michael or let any board member know. The list of current board members can be found on the church bulletin boards.

Thank you,

Kevin and Beth Thompson

## NEWS AND EVENTS

First Baptist Church is hosting a **Cinco de Mayo** concert performed by the Alexandria Community Band on **May 5th at 7:00pm**.

Doors open at 6:30pm. All donations will benefit the Alexandria K-9 unit.

### Graduate Recognition

If you are or have a high school, college, or technology school student graduating this year, please reach out to our church office with your information (school / open house). Deadline for information is **May 19th**.



Graduate recognition will be **June 2nd** with a 9:30am breakfast for graduates and their families and an acknowledgement during morning worship.

# Softball Sign-up!



If you would like to play on our team this year, please let Eric Prophet know. Games will begin the week before Memorial Day.

We always have a great time and would love to have you!

## Attention FBC Kids!

May 29th will be the last Wednesday night for High Point, Crew 456, and Impact. We will return to regular meetings after the summer.

## Impact had a great time go-karting!





### S.A.L.T. Society

S.A.L.T. is meeting at noon on Tuesday, May 7th at the home of Linda Nelson.

877 E 1000 N, Alexandria

All are welcome. Bring a side dish or dessert and come out and have fun!



Don't forget!

Sunday, May 12th



# *Walk for Life*

**Saturday, May 18, 2024 | 10 AM**  
**Mounds State Park**



**#WALK4LIFE2024**

**FIRSTCHOICEFORWOMEN.ORG**



Join to help First Choice for Women raise funds to save and change lives in East Central Indiana with this family-fun event!

If you would like to participate, let Pastor Michael know.  
We'd love to have you!



# THE THIRD TUESDAY TABLE

The Deaconesses of First Baptist Church are hosting community dinners!  
These are held on the Third Tuesday of each month. **EVERYONE IS INVITED.**

This month's dinner will be **May 21st from 5:00pm-6:00pm.**  
Menu is Beef Manhattan, Salad, and Brownies

Dine in only - no carry outs.



*Monday, May 27th*

# MEMORIAL DAY

REMEMBER & HONOR



Vacation Bible School is right around the corner! Make a Splash this summer by volunteering to help (Sunday June 23rd-Thursdays June 27th, 6:-8:30pm). There are lots of ways to be involved. Sign up with Jill Thomas or Elida Stillwell. You may call the church office at (765)-724-2457 or email [alexfbsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:alexfbsecretary@gmail.com).

### Books and Music

If you love books and music (CDs), Pastor Michael has a deal for you. He will be giving away (in other words . . . FREE!) a number of books and CDs in the coming weeks. He will have a table set up in the Family Life Center on Sundays for you to pick any books or CDs you would like. Keep them, give them away, give them as Christmas presents, but don't give them back to Pastor Michael!!

## SERVICES



### Sunday

10:30am: Worship Celebration

### Tuesday

7:00pm: Ladies Zoom Bible Study with Debbie Deutsch  
S.A.L.T. Society meets on the first Tuesday of every month

### Wednesday

6:30pm: Bible Study  
6:30pm: High Point (K-3rd), Crew 456 (4th-6th), Impact (7th-12th)



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