

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH of GASTON

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Mark Your Calendar

- May 4** Spiritual Warriors Luncheon 11:30 am
- May 5** National Day of Prayer Service-12:00 noon
- May 6** Family Game Night—6:30 pm Fellowship Hall
- May 6-7** Brotherhood Father/Son Fishing Trip to Santee
- May 8** Mother's Day Recognition
- May 10** VBS Meeting-6:30 pm
- May 15** Child Safety Training-4:00 pm Youth Room
- May 16** Women's Mission Meeting 6:00 pm
- May 24** Brotherhood Meeting 7:00 pm
- May 29** Memorial Day Service 6:00 pm

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- May 1** Josh Stabler (803) 608-0922
- May 8** Chris Pound (803) 518-2143
- May 15** Duane Johnson (803)794-8506
- May 22** Chris Vidrine (803) 513-4915
- May 29** Terry Pound (803) 447-6267

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Stafford Johnson	2 Lei Hulon Joshua Stabler	3 Riley Davies Bonnie McBride Mary Moseley Taylor Reynolds	4 Tiffany Busshart Rick Cartner Melinda Mattox ♥Jimmy & Fran Bobbitt Spiritual Warriors Lunch 11:30 Youth Super & Bible Study 6:15 pm—8 pm Mission Groups 7PM	5 NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER 12:00 PM SERVICE	6 ♥Ronald & Sherry Rawlinson Family Game Night 6:30 pm	7 Chase Pound Men/Boys fishing trip to Santee
8 Cody Bolin Diane Smith Leilani Warden ♥John & Agnes Sigh MOTHER'S DAY	9 Jordan Jackson	10 Ruth Barwick Sharon Brant Keith Ray VBS Meeting 6:30 pm	11 Sara Pound Youth Super & Bible Study 6:15 pm—8 pm Mission Groups 7PM	12 ♥Chris & Lisa Pound ♥Daniel & Olivia Speares	13 John Godfrey Kimberly Hammond Mindy Lloyd Kathy Travers	14 Marilyn Callahan Robin Hall Regina Watts
15 Amya Bozard Mariah Bozard Dorothy Reynolds Charlie Sharpe Cathy Shurling Blandon Smith ♥Vince & Wendy Sanford Child Safety Training 4:00 pm Youth Room	16 Abigail Henderson Gracie Marks ♥Jeremy & Elizabeth Fallaw Women on Mission Meeting-6:00 pm	17 Rachel Davis Heather Hildebrand Vanessa McIver Pam Williamson	18 Juanice Aaron Hallie Gleaton Shannon Sherry Rawlinson Sandy Spires Jeanette Spires Lauren Stalvey Kaidence Williams Youth Super & Bible Study 6:15 pm—8 pm; Mission	19 Lucy Mae Gantt Sherry Leonard Taylor Mauldin Sonya Reolegio Landon Seay ♥Richard & Pamela Summers	20 Brian Guy Ashlyn Livingston Melissa Rogers	21 Stephen Dawkins Deborah Ray Betty Russell Linda Sightler
22 Kailyn Seay	23 Kathy Corley	24 Vicki Bryant Chandler Reynolds ♥Clifton & Jammie Hayes Brotherhood Meeting 7:00 pm	25 Shea Brown ♥Stuart & Chelly Pound, Sr. Youth Super & Bible Study 6:15 pm—8 pm Mission Groups 7PM	26 Elizabeth Dawkins Campo Trevor Mills Megan Spires	27 Rocky Cross Curtis Dowd Brian Frank Becky Jones ♥Harley & Kayla Phillips ♥Leonard & Virginia Thomas	28 Todd Callahan Christian Gaffney Susan Morey ♥Erik & Kim Gardner
29 Ethan Gates Benny Williams Memorial Day Service 6:00 pm	30 ♥Clayton & Lynn Barber Memorial Day	31 Sarah Marks Dugan				

Brady Blog

A Written Word from Pastor Brady

With Love and Blessings,

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Greetings First Baptist Family,

I hope and pray that May's edition of the "Brady Blog" finds you well. April was truly a monumental month in the life of our Church. For the month of April, we averaged 135 in Sunday School and 228 in Worship with 285 people gathering to Worship on Easter Sunday! We are not numbers driven, but these numbers represent precious souls that have an eternal destination. We give God all the praise for the Soul's He is bringing to His house!

On Easter Sunday, not only did we baptize 2 people, but we had our Annie Armstrong Missions March. We raised over \$8,000 for North American missions! We more than doubled our goal! Glory to God. I'm so thankful for a Church that cares deeply about missions.

Join me in welcoming 11 new members that joined in the month of April. We welcome Sidney Wilson, Mike Cairns, Brent & Debbie Cole, Rebekah Lewis, Kevin Mills, Kyle Taylor, Clif & Jammie & Connor Hayes, and Vicki Jones! We will be baptizing some of these folks and others on June 5th! So excited for all that God is doing.

May is a very exciting month in our Church! You can find all these events listed throughout our newsletter, but I want to highlight just a few. On Thursday, May 5th at 12 PM in the sanctuary we will have a short (30 minute) prayer service. This is our yearly National Day of Prayer Service here at Church. Men don't forget about the brotherhood fishing trip on May 6th-7th in Santee. Then on May 8th we will recognize our mother's and all ladies. May 15th we will continue in our verse-by-verse series in James. Then on Sunday May 22nd we will have our graduate recognition service with guest alumni speakers and our very own Adam Callahan bringing the message. Make plans to be at Church during Memorial Day weekend on May 29th! We will have our Worship service on May 29th, and then that evening at 6 PM we will gather together and watch our kids give a presentation called "America's White Table" and then we will walk the graveyard and remember those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom! See you in May!!

Together, we enter into 2022, to continue to Gather, Grow, and Go all for God!



SPIRITUAL WARRIORS NEWS from Vicki Vidrine, Director

The monthly luncheon is Wednesday, May 4th at 11:30 am. We'll be having fried chicken and we ask that you bring a side dish or dessert. We look forward to seeing all our Seniors there.



LIBRARY NEWS from Marilyn Hook (email:marilynhook1@gmail.com)

I would like to ask if anyone has gently used children's books that were published in the past five years that you consider donating them to the church library. We have many of the classic children's books such as Dr Seuss but not very many newer titles. Thank you

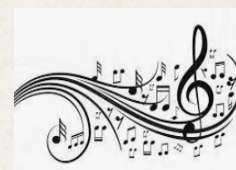
The Brotherhood's Father/Son fishing trip is set for May 6th & May 7th. All men and boys are invited to come join us at Santee for a time of food, fun, and fellowship. The next Brotherhood meeting will be Tuesday, May 24th. Come join us and learn what you need to do to lead your family in Christian living. Any Questions, see Chris Vidrine.

"Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another." Proverbs 27:17

Brotherhood
Chris Vidrine, Director



Music Ministry
Sherrell Ott
Worship Leader



Vacation Bible School

June 15-18

Wednesday - Friday 6:00-8:30 pm

Saturday 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

**K5-Adult with Preschool and Nursery
for attending adults!**

Let's Get Creative and Share Jesus with our Community!

Choir practice has started back and we meet for practice at 5:00 pm the first Sunday of every month. Hope to see you there.



We are saddened by the passing of the following church members or family members and extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends.

Please remember the family of Mrs. Betty Sharpe who went to be with the Lord on Sunday, Feb. 13th. Condolences may be sent to Mr. Charlie Sharpe, 208 Boy Scout Rd, Gaston, SC 29053.

First, thanks to everyone for exceeding our Annie Armstrong Easter Offering Goal. We collected of \$8,000 which is fantastic. Also, we collected 61 Health Kits for the Lexington Baptist Association. This is the most we have done since I've served as WMU Director. Thank you for your prayers and commitment to missions.

Ladies, our next meeting is Monday, May 16th at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a dish, have a time for fellowship, mission study and prayer. We will be making sock dolls for the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. We will also discuss upcoming Mission opportunities and projects. All women (young & old) are invited to join us. Any questions see Olivia Speares or Margie Rish.

I'm super excited to announce that Chey Walsh, one of our youth, will be a Junior Staffer at Camp LaVida this summer. This is the first time in over 15 years our church has had someone working at Camp LaVida. Please lift Chey up in prayer as she prepares for this new experience this summer.

Interested in working with any of the WMU programs (Mission Friends; GA or RA group; Acteens or Youth or even the Adult groups) there is training available on August 6th & 13th, 2022 at North Spartan Association or Orangeburg-Calhoun Association. We must register by July 28th. Let me know if you are interested in training.

Blessings to everyone, Margie Rish

Women on Mission
Margie Rish,
Director



Bring a board game and join us the first Friday night of each month at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall for family fun, games and a meal. First Game Night is April 1. Hope to see you there.



Children's Church
meets on Sunday's in
Room 203



VBS

July 15 -17—6:00—8:30 pm
July 18th—10:00 am—2:00 pm

Everyone, young and old, are invited.
LET'S GET THE SPARKS GOING





April's Attendance

Sunday School Average: 135

Sunday Morning Worship and Children's Church: 228

Wednesday Evening Worship: 73



A major thank you to all the Extended Session workers! God has surely blessed us in the children's area these last several months. We are still growing each week. Thank you for being on time each week and letting me know in advance if you are unable to serve. We now have 6 teams with 5 people on each team. We would like to add another person to each team so if you are willing to join one of our teams please let me know. Thanks, Lisa Pound



May 1	Team 4	May 8	Team 5	May 15	Team 6
May 22	Team 1	May 29	Team 2		

If you don't know which Team you are on, see Lisa Pound.

SERVICES

Sunday,

09:45 AM.....Sunday School

11:00 AM.....Morning Worship

Children's Worship

Monday,

01:00 PM.....Motivational Mondays

01:00 PM.....Ladies Prayer Group

Wednesday,

06:15-6:45 ...Youth & Acteens Supper

06:45-8 PM.....Youth Bible Study

07:00 PM....Prayer Service, GAs, RAs,

Mission Friends & Acteens



Graduate Recognition Service is **Sunday, May 22**. This special day will celebrate the achievements of our active Upper Room Student Ministry Senior class, students who are church members, and collegiate graduates. High school graduates need to submit their name, school, and intended college or career plans to Adam Callahan by **Sunday, May 8**. College graduates also need to submit their school and degree earned to Adam **by May 8**.



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May - Isaiah 43:18-19

18 Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old.

19 Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert."