

THE LIGHTHOUSE

The Monthly Newsletter of First Baptist Church of Carolina Beach



REDEMPTION!

During the month of April our Sunday Worship has been focused on more fully understanding the rich meanings of the word 'redemption' from God's Word. It's a fascinating word that should bring great humility for every Christ-Follower as we consider God's saving grace which purchased our freedom through the atoning work of Jesus.

For those of who belong to Jesus, we know that He literally purchased us away from the slave owner, satan. He came and did for us what we could not do for ourselves. The word redemption means to "buy back". Jesus purchased us so that we can be free and fully restored in relationship with our Heavenly Father. This is Amazing Grace and God's Word tells us that we are now joint heirs with Jesus as His brothers and sisters, fully entitled to all the riches of God's Kingdom!

Meanwhile, in our battle with the enemy here on earth, we still live in the presence of sin even though we've been set free from the penalty of sin. And outside of Jesus we are powerless against the enemy's schemes against us. However, through the power of the Holy Spirit who now lives in us, we are more than conquerors through the great work of our Redeemer, Jesus!

On April 28th I shared a description of what living a life that has been set free can look like. Many of you have asked me about that list so I'm giving it to you here. But always remember, this is the work of Christ through the Holy Spirit in you, not a work that you can accomplish on your own:

**Through the Holy Spirit, because of God's Redemption through Jesus,
we are set free so that we can:**

1. Love others the way that God loves them.
2. Experience a deep and abiding joy every day of our lives.
3. Find peace in life instead of turmoil at every turn.
4. Become patient with the process and path of life that God has us on.
5. Speak and exhibit a kindness towards others that is uncommon in the world.
6. Develop a goodness about our character that reflects the life of Jesus.
7. Deal with others gently instead of harshly and abruptly.
8. Become more faithful to the mission that Christ has given to us.
9. Become self-controlled through the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit who is alive in us when we are tempted by things of the world that do not give honor and glory to God.

Let's go and LIVE in this freedom, that the whole world will know!

Because He Lives!
Pastor Hal

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"GOD HAD ONE SON ON EARTH WITHOUT SIN, BUT NEVER ONE WITHOUT SUFFERING."

-AUGUSTINE

"But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame."
(1 Peter 3:14-16)

Are you suffering? Do you know anyone suffering? How do you respond, how are they responding? Even in our suffering...ESPECIALLY in our suffering, we're called to testify to our hope within, to the reason why we praise God in our suffering, instead of cursing Him. BUT take note about the need for us to be gentle and respectful in our defense.

As THE people of God, it is easy for us look down on those dead in their sins, to forget the grace that has been lavished upon us, and even in our suffering, to forget that we too were once like those, dead and without hope. So as calamities come your way, or strike those you love, remember to be gentle, respectful, and faithful in your testimony of the prevailing hope within.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Tyler



WORSHIP TEAM NOTES

MAY-JUNE, 2024: WORSHIP EMPHASES

MAY 5: Communion

May 12: Mother's Day: Come! Honor your mother(s)

May 26: Memorial Day: Pentecost

June 9: Gospel Sunday

June 16: Father's Day: Come! Honor your father(s)

June 30: July 4th: God Bless the USA!

Worship Ministry Update:

We have a new keyboard! Thank you Paul Erdman for making this happen for us!

PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER

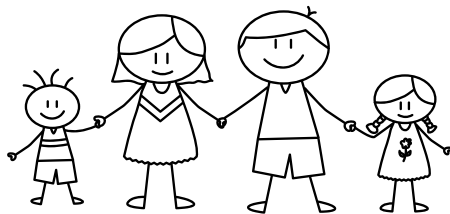
Jesus' brother, James, said that we are to confess our sins to one another, and pray for each other so that we may be healed. The God of the universe tells us to pray about all things, to come to Him.

If you have a prayer request, please don't hesitate to let us know. You can email George Pinkston at pinkdc@aol.com, or call (910) 617-3043, or complete a prayer card in the pew rack and drop in the basket as you leave.

**OR EVEN BETTER, JOIN US FOR PRAYER,
every Tuesday morning at 8:30 am in the sanctuary.**



Everyone is invited to enjoy a fabulous "Spring Fling" meal together on Sunday, May 5th following our Worship Service in the Fellowship Hall. Phil Denston, our chef assisted with our Fellowship Team will be serving a menu consisting of chicken or pork Taco's, many different toppings available for your favorite Taco, also popular side dishes and drink, for Grande Finale delicious and yummy desserts! We will honor and show emphasis to our Helping Ministry!



Marie Underwood WMU News

Up Coming Events

- May 12 - Mothers' Day Celebration - Bring your mother, your grandmother, your children. There will be special gifts and a reception after the service. George Pinkston will be taking pictures. This is a great time to have a special picture taken with your mom or your children.
- May 13 - WMU meeting in the fellowship hall at 1:00.
- May 24 - Coffee at Island Bagel, 10:00
- May 26 - Hotdog sale fund-raiser for missions, local and foreign.
 - Small silent auction of craft items.
 - We will serve in the fellowship hall after the worship service.

There is so much going on. We hope you will join us

THE DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRY

Discipleship Ministry helps believers to grow in their faith, to grow in maturity and wisdom, and build their faith on a strong foundation so that they can then disciple and lead others towards Christ.

Our Discipleship Ministry is flourishing, growing successfully and spiritually in all areas of our ministry. Increase in attendance in all classes of Bible Study/Sunday School, both Nursery classes and our Ark! We had a very productive Ark meeting this past Thursday evening at 6:30pm we are working on and getting ready to implement a new Safety Exit for our kids of the Ark, also dinner was provided by Martha's Kitchen, thanks Lisa! Our Wednesday evening adult Bible study at 5:30pm continues and our new Tuesday evening Women's class is coming to an end, exciting to see what our next study topic will be.

Our VBS Director Saybrin Thomas is going to need lots of volunteers for our August 7-10th, 6:30-8:30pm, prayerfully consider helping with your talents and gifts. Also, exciting news for our kids' class, kindergarten through 5th grade, on Wednesday, May 1st starting around 5:30pm upstairs in the Education building, our leaders Saybrin, Joey and Sheila are going to have a movie night with "The Prince of Egypt" including snacks, pizza, drink and floor mats for comfort and fun!

**Prayers for a safe and exciting summer,
always giving thanks to God!
Discipleship Ministry Team**

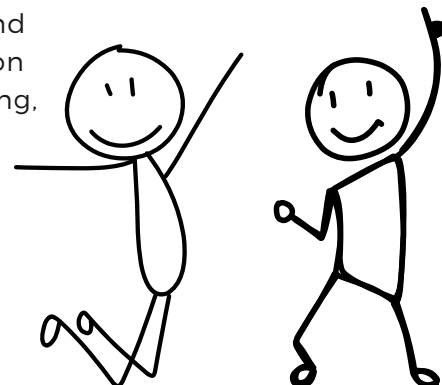
Love and Good Meals Together, Fellowship Ministry Team



As Christians and as members of First Baptist Church of Carolina Beach, we have been called to serve Him, each other in our church, and our community around Carolina Beach. Everyday, we must ask ourselves, what has God called me to do and how has He equipped me to do His will?

Ephesians 4:5 - "As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received." (NIV).

Thanks,
Dan





May Youth Calendar

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

HAPPY

BIRTHDAY

MAY BIRTHDAYS

5/7 Nicky Leary	5/19 Debbie Triplett
5/10 Herbert Lett	5/20 Dara Newberry
5/14 Jeremy Gaskell	5/20 Paul Agrillo
5/15 Heather Simmons	5/30 Josie Simmons
5/16 Corey Erdman	5/31 Donna Mitchell
5/18 Ellie Simmons	

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1st	GAME NIGHT
5th	JESUS & TACOS
8th	PIZZA IN THEPARK
12th	NO YOUTH TONIGHT
15th	FLIP N FLY
19th	BEACH DAY
22nd	SERVE DAY
26th	WORSHIP NIGHT
29th	BURGERS & BIBLE STUDY

Events 6-7:30pm Unless Specified