



**Plymouth**  
First Baptist Church

**Hope is found here.**  
Psalms 39:7

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## May 2025 Newsletter

### Mother's Day Offering for NC Baptist Hospital

The gifts of North Carolina Baptists to the Mother's Day Offering bring life-changing hope to hurting patients and families at [North Carolina Baptist Hospital](http://North Carolina Baptist Hospital). These gifts help patients suffering from serious illness and overwhelming financial need pay their hospital bills – in the name of Jesus Christ and His love. Prayerfully, recipients are drawn closer to Christ in lasting and heartfelt gratitude.



OUR GOAL  
IS  
\$1,000.00



## VBS 2025!

*We need your help!*

**Sign Up to Volunteer Today!**

Email Loyd at  
[loyd@firstbaptistplymouth.org](mailto:loyd@firstbaptistplymouth.org)  
or Call the Office.

## CHURCH DIRECTORY INFORMATION



The design process has begun for our church directory and now we need some things from ya'll.

If you are part of the FBC family and for some reason could not be here to have your picture taken professionally, you can submit a picture of yourself or family to be included in the directory. If it's a hard copy needing scanned, bring it to the church office. If it's a digital photo, email it to the designated address listed at the end of this column. Do not submit to the regular church email. If you are submitting through email, include correct spellings of all names, address email and phone #'s that you want in the directory. Those who submit their picture will receive a directory.

Our directory will have a page or two of activities upon which we are going to have a collage of pictures from the various committees, Sunday school classes, groups and gatherings. If you have a picture or two from the last year, send it in for consideration. We ask that committee and group leaders take a picture or two of your group in the next few weeks and submit them to the email address below. If you have pictures from last year you believe are good to consider- please send them along.

Everyone who submits pictures for activities, please be selective and limit the number you send in to us, it would be a great challenge to sort through dozens of pictures from many people for consideration in the limited space available to us in the directory.

The deadline for all picture submissions is **May 19th.**

**Once again, Please do not send pictures to the regular church email.**

Send them to:

**loyd@firstbaptistplymouth.org**

### Happy Anniversary

David & Faith Noell  
5-14

Kayla & Daniel Howell  
5-18

Hank & Janie Edmondson  
5/23

### Happy Birthday!

Joshua Brown 5/1

Riley Bundy 5/2

John Gray 5/3

Kay Ward 5/7

Kyle Modlin 5/11

Shelley Brown 5/12

Leverna Copeland 5/17

Renee'Sexton 5/17

Ronnie Thompson 5/17

Gracen R. Odom 5/19

Dee Gee Griffith 5/23

Caroline Gurganus 5/25

Larry Nicholson 5/27

Bill Benjamin 5/29

Loyd Jones 5/29

Amy Collins 5/31



### Coming up this month.

**Sunday, May 4 7:30 A.M.**

Men's Breakfast in fellowship hall

**Monday, May 5 6:30 P.M.**

Building and Grounds meeting in conference room

**Tuesday, May 6**

2 P.M. Helen Peele meets at in craft room  
Arden Jones, hostess. Chapter 10 Revelation

**Wednesday, May 7**

6:30 P.M.. Supper  
7:00 P.M. Jonah Bible Study & Youth Group

**Monday, May 12**

7:00 P.M. Deacons Meeting with Benjie Rogers. Hosting.

**Wednesday, May 14**

6:30 P.M. supper  
7:00 P.M. Jonah Bible Study & Youth Group

**Wednesday, May 21**

Last Church Supper and Bible study until September.

**Monday, May 26**

Church office closed for Memorial Day

**GRADUATE SUNDAY  
IS JUNE 1ST!**



**ANNOUNCEMENT!!** Mark Pardue is in need of volunteers to help with landscaping around the lighthouse here in Plymouth. If you can help, let him know. The day the work is to be done is Saturday May 10th at 10 AM. Lunch will be provided.

# Student CORNER

## VBS 2025!

**June 9th-13th**

Join us for this years  
Vacation Bible School

**Magnified!**



**9:00AM- 12:00PM**

**Monday-Friday**

**For all Completed K-  
6th Graders!**

## GRADUATION SUNDAY!

**June 1st!**

All FBC Graduates will be recognized during  
Sunday Service on June the 1st.

The High School Graduate banquet will follow  
@ 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

**Hello Church Family,**

**It's a busy time for our students at FBC!**

The Month of May has arrived and soon after will be  
June. Then we will celebrate Graduation Sunday, and  
enjoy Vacation Bible School! However, it is the month  
of May that we are planning even harder than before!

**Consider how you can help us during VBS!**

**We need Volunteers! Ask me if you are interest-  
ed in serving in this years VBS!**

**- Pastor Loyd**

*When you can't make it to worship, listen on Magic 95.9*

## PRAYER CONCERNS

### CHURCH FAMILY:

Virginia Dilday  
George Boyd  
Mittie Ward  
Margaret Sugg  
Chris Smith  
Marguerite Hart  
Ann Bland  
B.J. Lyle  
Faye McCombs  
Kristie Nicholson  
George Galtress

### FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:

Clifton Moore	Mary Bunting
Mike Ownbey	Whitney Denton
Amanda Thompson	Shirley Harrell
Kevin Phelps	Keith Sawyer
Aiden Bishop	Stan Dymek
John C. Mann	Joyce Jones
Rick Casey	Evan Roberson
Rodney Rogerson	Jo Carol Waters
Ronnie Collier (Father of Rhonda Hickman)	
Jeff Davis	Hollice Waters
Wanda Snell	Amy Phelps
Danny Barber	

### NURSING HOME RESIDENTS:

Tim Elks  
*Carrolton of Plymouth*  
Steve Barnes  
*Autumnfield of Belhaven*  
Nancy Revelle  
*Ahoskie Assisted Living*  
Shelby Flint  
*Windsor House*

### NURSERY SCHEDULE

5/4- Ann Cody, India Jones  
5/11- Lora Craddock, Glenda Smith  
5/18- Caroline Chandler, Amy Collins  
5/25- Faith Noell, Jolie Barnes



# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

## May 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

There is an important realization that every Christian needs to arrive at in order to live a transformed life- one that looks like Christ. It can only happen when we realize we can do nothing apart from the help of the Lord Jesus. In fact, when we come to a point in our desperation and say, "I am weak- I need help!" It is then that the Lord is able to do His best work in us. I must say, I see it as a warning sign when people have the attitude of "I've got my act together- I don't need any help." Proverbs 16:18 reminds us: "Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall." It is our weakness that God makes us strong. The apostle Paul was dealing with a particularly difficult affliction in his body and he cried out to God for help. The Lord responded, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."

We must resist the temptation to place Bible heroes on too high a level in our minds. Yes, many of them serve as example of how to live the Christian life— and we praise God for their obedience to Him. But the key to living those lives we admire is that they all came to a place of total reliance of God and his strength. Our success is found in our humility before the LORD. Let me read a few more promises about God faithfully providing the strength we need and really lean into them each day:

*Psalms 46:1 - "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble."*

*Philippians 4:13 - "I can do all this through him who gives me strength."*

*Psalms 28:7 - "The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and he helps me."*

*Isaiah 41:10 - "So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."*

*Grace and Peace to you- Pastor Paul*