

IT TAKES A CHURCH

By Calvary Home for Children

May is Foster Awareness Month, and this month we are highlighting ways the community can get involved so that no child falls through the cracks. Local church congregations have the unique opportunity to surround foster families in their church with love, prayers and tangible support. What does that tangible support look like? Tangible support can take many forms, based on the individual's strengths and gifts, and the foster family's particular needs. Here are a few ideas to get your wheels turning:

1. Gift Cards – With additional children in the family, expenses naturally grow. Give gift cards to fun activities, restaurants, grocery stores and clothing stores.
2. Childcare – Free babysitting so parents can have a break.
3. Transport – Offer to drive the children to and from school and/or activities.
4. Meals – Pick a designated night for the church families to drop off an evening meal.
5. Diapers – We all know that diapers are expensive. For families who receive infants, a box of diapers can be a huge blessing. Check for the needed size.
6. Grace – Many children in foster care have experienced trauma and/or lack of parenting. So when children act up during Sunday Service or have a meltdown in the parking lot, shower the children and family with grace!!
7. If foster parents look weary and overwhelmed, just listen and validate with understanding. Ask what you can do to help to make their burden a little lighter, and then do it!



HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES!!

Sunday, May 19, we will celebrate our High School Graduates and families with breakfast at 9:00 a.m. in the FLC. We will also recognize them during the morning worship service. Please contact the church office and let us know if you will be attending and give us your full name by Wednesday, May 15.

FINANCIAL NEWS

Sunday Receipts (5-5-19)	\$	19,471.00
Year to Date Requirements	\$	259,274.16
Year to Date Receipts	\$	284,146.51



CHILDREN'S SUNDAY

MAY 12

Special music
presented by our
Children's Handbells
and
Children's Choirs

♪ MUSIC MINISTRY ♪

Thank you, senior adults, for leading us in worship last Sunday. I am so proud of the Jubilee Ringers and Live Wire Choir. You all did so well! Thank you, Lib Nation, for sharing your testimony of encouragement. It was a great day!

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY: Handbell Ringers need to be in the sanctuary at 9:30 a.m. for rehearsal before going to Sunday School.

SANCTUARY CHOIR: We will resume rehearsals next Wednesday, May 15, at 7:00 p.m. in the Choir Room.

*Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth, burst in jubilant song
with music; make music to the Lord...*

Psalm 98:4 NIV

WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, May 12

10:00 a.m.

Sunday School

10:55 a.m.

Worship Service

No Vespers or Evening Activities

No Sunday Night Youth Bible Study

Monday, May 13

8:30 a.m.

WEE School

4:00 p.m.

WMU Grp # 2/Harriane Lynch, Hostess

Tuesday, May 14

5:30 a.m.

Group Fitness

7:15 a.m.

High School Breakfast/Youth Building

8:30 a.m.

WEE School

6:00 p.m.

Missions Meeting

7:00 p.m.

Stewardship Meeting

Wednesday, May 15

8:30 a.m.

WEE School

6:30 p.m.

Youth Worship/Youth Building (**Dinner Provided**)

7:00 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, May 16

5:30 a.m.

Group Fitness

8:30 a.m.

WEE School

11:00 a.m.

Sunday School @ The Maples/Margaret Cole

Friday, May 17

9:00 a.m.

WEE Graduation in the Chapel

10:00 a.m.

WEE Graduation in the Chapel

SERVANT SATURDAY RESCHEDULED

Servant Saturday has been rescheduled! We have a special project for one of our church members to do in the next couple of weeks and have decided to focus our time on that!

PALMETTO TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP LUNCHEON

On Monday, May 27, lunch will be served to those participating in the Palmetto Tennis Championship. Please help out by bringing individually wrapped, homemade cookies and brownies to the church office by Sunday, May 26. This event is sponsored by our Missions Committee.



SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2019

Worship Service *Children's Day*
Offertory Prayer Joseph Brice
Counting Committee Lynne Chandler, Zelma Finley & Jane Green
Usher & Safety Team Brian Moon, Jack Marshall
 Mac Horton & Chris Mumblow
Audio Visual David Vaughn & Harold McDowell

Deacon Greeters for May 12, 2019

Mac Horton Chris Mumblow Ray Thomas
 Elizabeth Stone Ron Gilreath

Deacon Offertory Team for May 12, 2019

Joseph Brice Ray Thomas
 Chris Strickland Ron Gilreath

Extended Session for Sunday, May 12, 2019

Nursery: Karen Carwile & Harrienne Lynch
 2's & 3's: Travis & Shannon Thomas
 4's & 5's: Russ & Amber Tysl
 Ext. Session Coordinator: Teresa Strickland (940-8639)

Children's Sermon: Nick Kirby

SYMPATHY

First Baptist Church expresses Christian love and sympathy to:
 ~ Meleah Bell and family in the loss of her mother,
 Kerry Lynn Cordes
 ~ The family of Mary Lou Newman

GRADUATES OF HIGHER LEARNING

If you are a Graduate of a School of Higher Learning, please contact the office with your information to include your full name and information about your earned degree. We would like to acknowledge your accomplishment!!



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THE PRAYER CORNER

Resolve (Plan and Determine)

A man's heart plans his ways, but the Lord determines his steps.

Proverbs 16:9

I am resolved to obey Your statutes to the very end.

Psalms 119:112

May we joyfully sing each day, "I am **resolved** to follow the Savior, faithful and true each day. Heed what He sayeth, do what He willeth, He is the living way."

~Randy Fagg

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 12 (Sun)	Children's Day
May 19 (Sun)	Youth Sunday/Graduate Recognition
May 26 (Sun)	Family Day
May 27 (Mon)	Palmetto Tennis Championship Lunch
June 9 (Sun)	Communion
June 18-21	Sewing/Cooking Camp
June 24-27	VBS



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PARENT-CHILD DEDICATION

*This Sunday, May 12
 During the morning worship service*

Happy Mother's Day