

Five Forks Church

Brethren in Christ

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Church Board Report to the Congregation – April 2018

The Church Board's monthly meeting took place on Tuesday evening, April 3rd. Here is a summary report from the March Board meeting:

GENERAL ITEMS

Pastor Bill reported that Sunday morning attendance is down compared to last year, while contributions remain relatively steady compared to 2017.

ACTIONS ITEMS

- The Board received their first update from the recently formed Security Committee and a majority of the Board meeting was devoted to security issues. Keith Toomey gave a presentation which included a list of long-term goals (changing certain locks, installing cameras, installing a church-wide notification system, fire drills, imminent threat drills). \$10,000 is available from 2017 excess funds for security purposes/upgrades. More funds will be needed in order to implement some of the changes that the Board feels are necessary. The Board voted to use funds from the Contingency Fund for security purposes/upgrades.
- The Board voted to hire Mike Garland to help minister to and provide ongoing care for those in our congregation who are dealing with long-term medical issues. Mike will also help the Pastoral team minister to those who are or have been in the hospital, and will also provide care for our shut-ins and those in nursing homes. Mike has served on our Deacon Board (and is the current Deacon Board representative on the Church Board) for many years and has extensive ministry experience. He will start in May, serving approximately 5 hours per week.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

 The Board had a brief discussion regarding staff compensation and will resume this discussion in upcoming months.

Your Church Board consists of...

Staff: Voting members: Bill Shank, Shaun Kipe. Non-voting: Ray Kipe,

Brian Black, Jim Recard, Josh Roach, Kenton Hock

Congregational Representatives (elected at Annual Council): *Peggy Dawson, Sandy Gray, Matt Nolt, Harvey Payne, Angie Petersheim, Todd Smith, Joel Wenger, Lin Yoder*

Deacon Representative: *Mike Garland* Church Treasurer: *Gene Gorman*

Recording Secretary: Christina Martin (non-voting)

This Week at Five Forks

SUNDAY, APRIL 15

- -Prayer Hour...6:45am (C2)
- -Café...7-11am
- -Directory Pictures...8am-12pm (café)
- -Blood Pressure Screening...9:00 & 10:30am

Morning Messages

Aud. (8:00, 9:30 & 11:00) - Pastor Bill

Scripture: John 21:1-19

<u>Chapel (11:00am) – Pastor Ray</u> Scripture: Matthew 19:13-14

-Farm Hands Bluegrass Band...6pm (Aud.)

MONDAY, APRIL 16

-Men's Prayer Group...5:45-6:30am (Chapel)

TUESDAY, APRIL 17

- -Men's Prayer Group...6:30-7:30am (Chapel)
- -Ladies Exercise Class...1:30-2:30pm (LFH)
- -Celebrate Recovery (Chapel)...café (6pm), large group meeting (7pm), Open Share (8pm)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18

- -Ladies Bible Study... 9:00-11:30am (Chapel)
- -Youth...6:45-8:15pm (Aud.)
- -Awana...6:45-8:15pm
- -Bible Study...7pm (Chapel)

THURSDAY, APRIL 19

- -Ladies Prayer Hour...6:30-7:30am (Chapel)
- -Ladies Exercise Class...1:30-2:30pm (LFH)
- -Bible Study, Pastor Brian...7pm (Chapel)

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

-Singles in the Spirit...potluck dinner, movie and group discussion...6:30pm (MP)

SUNDAY, APRIL 22

- -Prayer Hour...6:45am (C2)
- -Café...7-11am

Morning Messages

Aud. (8:00, 9:30 & 11:00) - Pastor Bill

Scripture: Acts 1:1-11

Chapel (11:00am) - Pastor Ray

Scripture: Psalm 5:3

-CAP Training - Meal...4pm; Training...5pm

The #1 Bluegrass Band In America – The Farm Hands Coming To Five Forks



This Sunday, April 15th... 6:00 P.M.

The Farm Hands is an award-winning band based out of Nashville, TN. They are top-notch singers, songwriters, and instrumentalists! They put on a very entertaining, funny and inspiring program appropriate for all ages.

There is no admission fee or ticket needed, but a love offering will be taken.



Maybe you missed out on getting your picture taken for our online directory late last year. Or perhaps you've just begun attending Five Forks in 2018. Either way, we have set aside two dates - both on Sunday morning - in order for Bonnie Branthaver to take your picture and add you to our church picture directory.

Bonnie has been gracious enough to offer her services, and so she will be set up in the back corner of the Cafe on Sunday morning, April 15th and again on Sunday morning, May 13th from 8 until 12:30.

You will be asked to sign a release form allowing us to place your picture in the directory. The directory page on our website will be password protected with passwords only given to those connected to the Five Forks Church.

Please stop down before or after the service you attend in order for Bonnie to take your picture!

Attendance

ATTENDANCE (April 8)

Sunday's Worship Total = 662 8:00 Auditorium = 135 9:30 Auditorium = 280 11:00 Auditorium = 163 11:00 Chapel = 56 Bible Connection = 12 Nursery (9:30 & 11:00) = 16

Total Sunday School = 271

Wed. Eve. (April 11) = 232

Food Pantry
"Item of the Month" for
April:

Canned Meat (Tuna, Salmon, Chicken, etc)

Place donations in the orange tub in the lower lobby.

Operation Christmas Child April:

Small toys, jump ropes, matchbox cars, harmonica, balls, small soccer balls (w/pump)

Place donations in the designated boxes in the lower and upper lobbies.



April 22nd... Meal: 4:00 - Training: 5:00

'No More Meltdowns: Part II'

This is a sequel to last year's interactive training in which we shared techniques and preventative strategies used to increase positive interactions with children. The proactive approach focuses on accepting and appreciating our children, maintaining a positive relationship, recognizing how to calm our children when behavior escalates out of control and using strategies to prevent problem behavior. New information will be presented as well, which makes this a perfect opportunity for attendees of last year's training as well as those new to the subject.

Who Should Attend?

- All volunteers of Five Forks Church who work with children/youth
- All paid staff
- Anyone who is interested in learning more about this subject
- Any foster parent

Register by completing the registration form that was placed in your church mailbox or by contacting Bryn Yoder at 717-762-2991 or email bryn@ffbic.org.

Additional registration forms can be found at the Information tables in the Children's Wing, Mailroom, and Upper Lobby.

In order to plan adequately for food, handouts, etc, Deadline to register is April 14th.

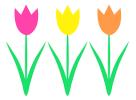
City Rockfest Tour Coming To Five Forks



The world's largest Christian rock tour "City Rockfest Tour" is coming to the Five Forks Church! The Concert will be held in our Multi-Purpose Room on Sunday evening, May 6th. Tickets are \$20 for General Admission and \$30 for VIP tickets.

Many in our church may not be familiar with the bands who comprise this tour:
Disciple...Seventh Day Slumber...Random
Hero...Spoken...As We Ascend, but their presentation of the gospel is as strong and as direct as any of the bands and artists we have hosted at Five Forks in the past.

If you are struggling and need some hope, encouragement, or just want to have a good time listening to Christian Rock, please make plans to come out.





Dear Five Forks Church
Family,
Hello, I hope you're doing
well. I wanted to say thank
you for your gift toward my
ministry with Wycliffe. I
appreciate you being part of
my team. You all are a
blessing!
Regards,
Abby Farmer



Donnie Ankerbrand Bob Boswell Bill Flohr Laura Petersheim



Garry & Joyce Cordell announce the birth of their grandson, Alan Ray Cordell born on April 1st. He weighed 8 lbs. 3 oz. Congratulations to the proud parents Aindee & Brad Cordell.

Home-Delivered Meals Ministry



We are so thankful for the dedicated volunteers here at Five Forks Church. If you have been on the receiving end of this ministry, you know first-hand what it means to be blessed by one of these meals. This ministry is open to anyone who would like to serve in this way.

Volunteers provide meals for those who have had a baby, have been very ill and hospitalized or have had surgery. We currently need individuals who could make and deliver meals when needed to the Chambersburg and Greencastle areas.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Heather Martin at aha.martin@hotmail.com or 717-372-6282.

Concert Ministry Volunteer Opportunities



Do you like serving others? Do you enjoy Christian music and live concerts?

If so, the Five Forks Concert Committee has unique opportunities and ways for you to serve out front or behind the scenes. Maybe you would like to serve on the Concert Committee where you can take part in selecting artists and planning music events?

Other ways to serve include helping to load in/out and setting up for a concert. There are also opportunities to help with promotion, hospitality, greeting, traffic control, merchandise sales and ticket sales.

If you are interested in helping out with the Concert Ministry, please contact Chris Bumbaugh at cbumbaugh@comcast.net or fill out the Concert Ministry Opportunity sign up that was placed in your church mailbox and return to Chris' mailbox.



We are again collecting new and GENTLY USED items for a benefit yard sale for *SHE'S SOMEBODY'S DAUGHTER*. Items we can use are: household items, small and large appliances in very good shape, tools, children's clothes and toys and furniture in good condition.

The sale will be held June 1st and June 2nd. We will be collecting items until May 15.

If you would like to donate, please contact Karalee Frey @ 717 762- 6163. Large items, we can pick up.

100% of all proceeds will go to *She's Somebody's Daughter* - Funds will stay in Franklin County.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Library Update



Side by Side Series #1 Side by Side #2 Door to Freedom #3 Mercy Triumphs -by Jana Kelley (L-KEL)

When an American family moves to Sudan so that the husband can work as a manager over displacement camps for refugees, both the husband and wife seek opportunities to discreetly witness to their some of their neighbors and fellow workers. When a young woman converts, the family helps her escape the country as the penalty of conversion is death. A realistic exposure to real life in Islamic-controlled Sudan. The author has lived most of her life in Africa, the Middle East and now resides in Southeast Asia with her family.



Below is a list of events and activities that the youth are assisting with, participating in or will be invited to be part of:

"You can find more information about our events, including permission slips, on the church website or join us on Facebook; our group name is; Five Forks BIC Youth Group, or see Kenton Hock, Youth Director.

*Please be aware that there is extra financial assistance available to any youth that may need it. Do not let money

be the reason that you do not participate! (See Kenton Hock, youth director)



"You are invited to join us for an exciting adventure through The Life of Christ. We have been working through some of The Great Adventures in the Bible and we have come to the greatest of all. We are going to be diving into the life of Jesus Christ from His birth through His death and Resurrection. We are going to learn about how His life can impact our own lives! We look forward to seeing you there!"

Come on out Friday, April 13th at 9pm for our youth All-Nighter! 6th through 12th grade are invited! Guys bring a drink and girls bring a snack! We will have a ton of fun including Mario Party, Movies, Games, Food and more! Bring a friend or two and come hangout with us. Breakfast will be served bright and early around 5am and pick up will be at 7am Saturday April 14th! This will be a great time to fellowship together and reach out to those that don't normally attend church!



Ask the Pastors

Join us this Wednesday April 18th at 7pm for Ask the Pastors. We will have a panel of a few of the Five Forks pastors answering questions that students came up with this past week. This should be a fun time of good conversation!

Are you ready to take the next step of your faith? Baptism is a time to proclaim your faith in Jesus Christ and your desire to show in front of family and friends that you are committed to living for Jesus! On April 29th, Youth Sunday, we will be having youth Baptisms. If you are interested in getting baptized contact Kenton to get an information packet and set up a conversation!





April 29th the youth will be taking over our Sunday morning services! We will be having youth baptisms and testimonies being shared throughout the morning! If you are a teen and want to hand out bulletins, greet people, or take offering in any of the services sign up in Sunday school or at youth group! We invite you to join us Sunday!



<u>Chambersburg Project</u>

Do like to serve those around you? If so, Chambersburg Project is July 8th -13th! We will be serving those in Franklin County that are living in need! If you would like to sign up to go, pick up a packet at the Youth Booth! Parents, if you want to serve, let Kenton Hock know and we will get you an adult volunteer form. For more information, we will be hosting a parent meeting on May 6th at 11am in room A33. Permission forms and payment are due May 27th!