

August 3, 2022

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A large, stylized blue eye logo with a white pupil and iris, positioned to the right of the word "theSPIRE". The eye is composed of two blue curved shapes meeting at the top and bottom, with a white circle in the center representing the pupil. The logo is partially cut off by the right edge of the slide.A partial view of a person's head and shoulders, visible in the bottom right corner of the slide. The person has dark hair and is wearing a light-colored shirt. The background behind them is a warm, orange-toned wall.[illegible]

Journey Together

FAMILY CAMP

2022

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Special Handbell Opportunity

Have you ever been interested in giving the handbells a try? Have you rung in the past and wanted to do so again? Handbell Director Noah Hartsfield is offering a special handbell opportunity in August.

A four-week commitment, the group will rehearse on Wednesday nights in August to learn a short piece to play on Sunday, August 28. The music will be a beginning level piece that will provide a great way to give bell ringing a try. You don't need experience ringing bells or even be a strong music reader - we can teach you. Everyone will be responsible for just one or two notes / bells as we all learn. All in our congregation are invited including older elementary kids (4th and 5th grade), youth, students, and adults. It can be a family adventure! Rehearsals will be

Wednesday night from August 3 to August 24 from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Nursery care can be arranged for those who need it. Please contact Noah at nhartsfield2010@gmail.com with questions or if you want to participate and need nursery care. If you can let Noah know you want to participate ahead of time that is great, but feel free to show-up on August 3 ready to go (we do need advanced notification to arrange nursery care though).

-Noah Hartsfield, *Chancel Bells Director*

Contemplative Retreat at Conception Abbey November 4-6

A contemplative retreat is an opportunity to set aside time to be quiet, rest, and spend time with God. During the 24 hours (from Friday evening until Saturday evening), you are free to rest, read, journal or walk the lovely grounds at the Abbey. You may also join the monastic community for prayer in the Basilica; they gather six times daily to pray. After the Saturday evening meal, we will gather to share what we have experienced during our day of silence, followed by a time of fellowship. We join in worship again on Sunday morning and share a meal before returning home. Registration is limited, and early registration is encouraged. To register or for more information, contact Pastor Carol McEntyre at mcentyre@fbc-columbia.org.



First Baptist Remembrances

A couple of weeks ago I called for anyone that has a First Baptist story, anecdote or remembrance to submit them to the church or to me directly. These will become part of the church history that is being put together to help celebrate our 200th Anniversary. As part of our celebration, we are putting together a display to showcase our history. For that, I am asking for pictures, relics, artifacts, documents or any other item that you may have that the church can borrow to help with the display. Please contact me regarding anything that you may have. Thank you.



-Ken Hammann, *Church Treasurer & 200th Anniversary Committee Member*



BLESSING OF THE *backpacks!*

AUGUST 21
DURING BOTH SERVICES



Blessing of the Backpacks

Join us on August 21 during both worship services for our annual blessing of the backpacks and the new school year. Participants will have the opportunity to share about their feelings for returning to school, receive a backpack tag, and be reminded that God is with us all the time. Whether starting school for the first time, moving to a new school, staying at the same school, or returning to school in person after learning virtually, children, teens, and adults are invited to bring their backpacks and receive a blessing.



New to the Pew

With the beginning of the school year, we are excited to welcome our newest worshippers to the pews. On Sunday, August 21, during both worship services, we will be presenting Bibles to our first graders and offering a blessing over them and their families. Please let Pastor Brittany know if you are able to attend. We are so excited to have you worship with us!

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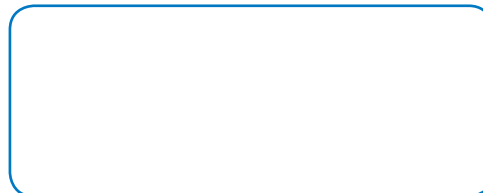
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Old West Fall Kick-Off - August 28

Front Lawn, following Traditional Worship

For our Fall Kick-Off, we are planning to have a western-themed event on the front lawn. The church will provide the meat, catered by Big Daddy's Barbeque, beverages and tableware. We ask you to bring a side dish or dessert to share. You can look forward to a selection of western games such as "steer" roping, "pony" races, panning for "gold", photo booth, and much more! So wear your bandana and other western wear and join in the fun!

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