

# VBS

August 3-7  
6-8:30pm

All kids who have completed Kindergarten thru 6th grades are invited!



**Finding Life by the Sea!**

## Important Dates

### AUGUST

2 VBS setup & prayer  
Sunday night  
fellowship 6pm  
3-7 VBS 6-8:30pm  
9 Deacon's Mtg. 5pm  
9 VBS Program 6pm  
12 Business Mtg. 7pm  
16 Prayer @ school  
22 Baby shower for  
April & Andrew  
23 Personnel  
Committee mtg. 7pm  
30 Budget Committee  
mtg 7pm

## Newsletter, August 2020

***We're excited to be offering VBS in person August 3-7 at First Baptist Church on Hwy 51 just south of Ramsey!***

***Your child will enjoy all that Vacation Bible School has to offer: singing, crafts, games, snacks and learning how Peter found life by the Sea- all in a safe, friendly environment.***

***VBS is for kids who have COMPLETED Kindergarten through 6th grades (no preschool class this year).***

***Because of Covid-19 we are taking extra precautions to keep your child safe: small groups, individual resources, frequent disinfecting, hand sanitizing stations and contactless registration/dropoff/pickup.***

***REGISTER ONLINE and get more details at  
[www.fbcramsey.org](http://www.fbcramsey.org)  
Come find Life by the Sea!***

# From Pastor Jeff

*"The Lord does not delay His promise. As some understand delay, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all come to repentance." 2 Peter 3:9*

When will all this be over?!?!?!? How many times have we said or heard this lately? As the frustration mounts in our society it would be so easy to think God has abandoned or forgot about us during this time. It seems that all the grace and good will towards each other we had at the beginning of this virus has all run out and God has washed His hands of us. It looks like the very fabric of our society is unraveling right before our eyes. Where are you, God? We may wonder silently (or not so silently).

Know this, God has not forgotten us. He is with us. He said, **"I will never leave nor forsake you."** When has God ever not kept His promises? Notice the verse, He does not delay His promise. God is never late. But He is never early either. He is always right on time. This time is no different.

But also know this, He is patient with you too. There are many who do not know Him, and He is wanting to use us in order to reach them with the Gospel. He desires we choose Him and repent of our sin and follow Him. You and I have experienced this, and we have such a great opportunity to tell others about Him.

So, will you help us in getting the Gospel out into Ramsey, Illinois, the U.S., and the world? We have so many ways you can be part of accomplishing this. *Get involved however you can, and watch God use you for His glory!*

Following Him,

Jeff

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OR ON FACEBOOK FOR THE SERIES  
"BROKEN"**



# VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



## **What are your favorite ministries?**

Music and VBS. I love being creative in teaching God's Word and sharing Christ, so these ministries give me a place to do that in a big way!

## **What are your hobbies?**

I love to play guitar, read a book in my hammock or ride in Jeff's Jeep through the country with the top down. Right now I don't really have time for hobbies!

But one day... 🤗

Stephanie loves to work in ministry! She wears many hats!! We appreciate all that she does in our church and to make Christ known!

**SWEET MONDAY** will meet August 24 at 6:30 pm at the church. Charlotte Blunt will be speaking about Rejoicing through healing and how God uses others. Come join us and enjoy some sweets!

## **AUGUST BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

**1 Sharon Eddy**

**1 Mike & Becky Casey**

**5 Keith & Terry Casey**

**10 DeVon McDonald**

**12 Audrey McDonald**

**12 Ilena Steeby**

**14 Norris & Donna Price**

**15 Ed & Kathy Caylor**

**16 Kathy Caylor**

**17 Claude Willis**

**17 Les Albert**

**17 Sue Roberts**

**20 Loretta Price**

**23 Jerad & Kendra Lorton**

**24 Linda Harris**

**24 Shane Hadley**

**25 Shirley Brewer**

**29 April Lewis**

**30 Judy Wattles**

**31 Jaxon Koski**

# From Pastor Andrew

While the summer looked different than we all imagined, we still enjoyed some great moments. The youth were able to have a camp as a church group making memories and building friendships, while we looked at who Jesus is and what it means to follow Him. The children from our church also got some camp time this past week when we did a two-day camp. Sixteen children got to hear the gospel as we learned about different stories in Mark. The children had a great time running around, fishing, making crafts, and playing water games. While we cannot control what comes up in life and the world, we can choose to make the most of it. I believe **sharing the good news** and building relationships during a crazy time is a great way to make the most of it. I am especially thankful for all of those who helped make camps possible this summer for are kids. Whether you stayed in a cabin, provided food, organized an activity, lead a group study, or prayed for students thank you. With school just around the corner we are excited to wrap up this summer with VBS. If you are interested in helping with VBS please see Stephanie Shouse for more information.

## KID'S CAMP PICTURES







**Children's Church will begin on August 9th!  
More details later!**

### **Summer Lunch Program**

**Our last lunch to serve will be August 6th. Thank you for your generous donations for this year's summer lunches!**

  
*Back to school*  
**WELCOME**

First day of school for students is August 19.

Pray for the students and staff as they start back to school during this difficult time.

On August 17, FBC will provide pizza and drinks for lunch for Ramsey School staff to show our support and appreciation as the new school year begins.

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**August 2020**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 SNF 6pm/ Prayer for VBS/ Set-up	3 VBS	4 6:00 - 8:30pm	5	6 Summer Lunch Program	7	8
9 Deacons Mtg. 5pm VBS Program 6 PM/refreshments after program	10	11	12 Business Mtg. 7pm	13 Summer Lunch Program	14	15
16 Prayer @ school 6pm	17 Pizza for school staff @ 11 am	18	19 Bible Study & Ignite 7pm	20 Summer Lunch Program	21	22 Baby Shower for Andrew & April 10am
23 Personnel Committee meeting 7 pm	24 Sweet Monday 6:30 pm @ church	25	26 Bible Study & Ignite 7pm	27 Summer Lunch Program	28	29
30 Budget Committee meeting. 7 pm	31					