

June 2023 Newsletter



FBC RAMSEY

TO KNOW CHRIST &
MAKE HIM KNOWN

First Baptist Church Ramsey, IL

Sunday

9am Sunday School

10am Worship Service

6pm Bible Study

Wednesday

6pm Youth/Adults Bible Study

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 4 Lord's Supper AM service

Sunday Night Fellowship 6pm

June 5-9 VBS 6:00 - 8:30pm

June 9 Summer Lunch Program begins

June 11 VBS Program AM service

June 20-25 Youth Mission Trip

Slappy
Father's
Day

The righteous
man walks in
his integrity;
**His children
are blessed
after him.**

PROVERBS 20:7

FROM PASTOR JEFF

"Behold I stand at the door and knock, if anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him and he with Me." - Rev 3:20

June is upon us and with that means busy, busy, busy. VBS, Mission Trip, Lunch Program, Bible Studies, and the list goes on and on. But all of these are good things that are being done in the name of Christ for the purpose of making Him known! I know it can feel overwhelming sometimes but a good reminder for you is this: You are not called to do all of it. However, you are called to do something.

God has gifted and equipped you to use the things and time He has given you to spread the message of His great love to all those around us. Another good reminder in doing this, you are not responsible for the results, simply your faithfulness. Another way of saying this is, It isn't up to you if people respond positively to the message of Jesus. However, you need to be faithful in doing what He is telling you to do.

So, this would be a good time to take a breath, pray to the Lord, ask for His direction, and then be ready to move when He calls you to move. To go when He calls you to go. To speak when He calls you to speak.

All of this works for us in knowing God and relying on Him more and more. I heard an old preacher say just a couple weeks ago: People always say they want more of God, but the truth is you have all of God you want! The problem isn't that God hasn't shown up, the problem is we really don't want Him enough.

So, as we focus on "More" this year, maybe we need to tweak it and say that it's not more of God we need but we need more "want". It isn't that God is playing hide and seek with us. He has said, if you seek after me, you will find me. He is with us always. We simply need to open our eyes and our hearts and welcome Him in!

Following Him,

Pastor Jeff





Senior Adult trip to Moonshine Store and Casey, IL



Lunch at Moonshine Store
It was a fun day!

Giant teeter totter!



This year in VBS we are experiencing our Super God through the life of Moses. God is stronger, wiser, and better than any super hero, and He is the One we need to save us! Make plans now to be part of this epic event June 5-9 from 6-8:30pm. VBS is for children in Preschool thru 6th Grade. (Preschoolers must be potty trained and able to follow simple directions independently.) Kids will have tons of fun exploring the nature of God as seen in the life of Moses while enforcing those lessons through music, crafts, and Scripture memory activities. They will also enjoy fun games & yummy snacks, of course!



Save time by registering ONLINE using the QR code or by going to fbcramsey.org/vbs



The ladies enjoyed the Spring Banquet, "Rooted" on Saturday, May 6th. They enjoyed food, fellowship, and games! It was Derby Day so they dressed in fancy clothes and hats. Everyone had a great time!

FROM PASTOR MATT

May has been a busy, but memorable month. Mission Kids and the Youth Group enjoyed some ice cream at Dairy Dee to celebrate the end of the school year. We hosted and had a wonderful Baccalaureate service for the 2023 senior class. We got to celebrate and pray for our Eighth Grade, High School, and College graduates. Most importantly (at least for our students), we got to start enjoying our summer vacation!

June is going to be a month full of ministry for our Youth Group. Vacation Bible School will kick off the month. It will be a great week for our kids to come and encounter a Super God with our youth helping in various areas of service during that week. Please pray for the children who will be attending VBS this year as well as for all the workers involved.

A few weeks after VBS, the Youth Group will be traveling to Coal Valley, IL on a mission trip. We will be able to minister to and through a local church. We will provide service in multiple projects around the church building and in the community. Please pray for the Youth and the adults who will be going on the mission trip this year.

At the end of the month, a few of our youth will be traveling to Super Summer, which is a discipleship camp. The theme for this year's camp is "Elements of Faith". The goal is to encourage and equip students to live an active life as a Christ-follower at home, school, their community, their country, and the world.

As summer begins, I am always reminded that it is not a time to sit back and stop ministry, but rather find creative ways to serve and reach students. Ministry in the summer takes time, looks different, and can sometimes create an overwhelming feeling. Pray with me that this summer God continues to lead and that students continue to be impacted with the goodness of Christ Jesus.

Pastor Matt

Summer Camps

Day Camp
June 20 & 30
8am-3:30pm
Ages 5-10

Youth Camps

Older Boys July 10-14
Older Girls July 17-21
Younger Boys July 24-28
Younger Girls July 31-Aug 4

SUMMER LUNCHES

Begins Friday, June 9th

We need volunteers to help pack lunches/and or distribute them.

Contact Sue Albert or call the church office if you'd like to help.

*We are collecting individual, pre-packaged pop tarts, cookies and chicken ramien noodles. If you'd like to give a monetary donation, we have a designated fund. Use one of the Love Offering envelopes and write Summer Lunches on it.

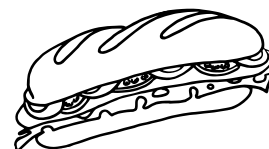
There is also an account set up at the FNB Community Bank.

SUNDAY NIGHT

FELLOWSHIP

June 4th @ 6pm

Bring sandwiches, finger foods & desserts. Church will provide drinks. Join us for a great time!



JUNE FOOD PANTRY

Spaghetti & Sauce
Kraft Macaroni & Cheese
Elbow Macaroni
Rice Mixes-Rice-a-Roni

Elbow Macaroni
Pasta Dinners
Cake Mixes

JUNE Birthdays & Anniversaries

1 Will Hayes	19 Kolten Adermann
2 Moriah Friesland	19 Rick Finley
3 Nick & Kim Casey	20 Allison Gibson
3 Tim Clark	21 Kenneth Wollerman
4 Matt & Jenn Philbrick	22 Hailey Frailey
5 Stephanie Shouse	22 Paul & Cecelia Adams
6 Chloe Hill	23 Ashley Miller
6 Jeff & Stephanie Shouse	23 Dennis & Iris Virden
7 Iris Virden	23 Velma Ballard
9 Matt Philbrick	26 Jeremy & Sheila Seaton
9 Rich & Debbie Carruthers	26 Sue Albert
10 Laura Benhoff	27 Beril & Linda Gillman
12 Debbie Lay	28 Andrea Thoele
15 Ed & Judy Wattles	28 Keith Casey
15 Vicki Tate	29 Dennis Virden
17 Kristen Phillips	30 Rosie McDonald
19 David & Pam McFarland	

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES

We are collecting specific items each month of the year as we work towards completing boxes in October. Thank you for your support of this ongoing ministry.

June Items:

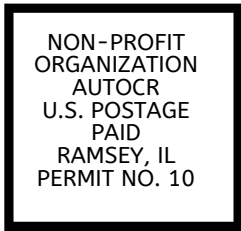
**Small Toys
Jump Ropes
Small Puzzles or Games**

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Return Service Requested



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JUNE 2023						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 National Donut Day	3
	Men's Bible Study 7:15am (Mondays)					
4 Lord's Supper AM VBS Mtg. 5PM SNF 6pm	5 VBS 6-8:30pm	6	7	8	9 Summer Lunches 11 am	10
11 VBS Program AM Deacons Mtg. 5pm Bible Study 6pm	12	13	14 Youth 6pm Business Mtg. 7pm	15	16	17
18 Father's Day No PM service	19	20 Youth Mission Trip	21 Bible Study 6pm	22	23	24 Thru Sunday
25 Bible Study 6pm	26	27	28 Youth/ Bible Study 6pm	29	30	