

July 30, 2025

PASTOR'S MOMENT:

¹²Let no one look down on your youthfulness, but *rather* in speech, conduct, love, faith *and* purity, show yourself an example of those who believe. 1 Timothy 4:12

As our children start back to school this week, it is important to remind them that they are never too young to make a difference for God's kingdom. Every time they show the love of Jesus to a friend, teacher, or classmate, they are making a real difference. It is vital to teach our children that their school and athletic teams are just as important a mission field as Africa or Asia. Timothy was young and inexperienced, but Paul encouraged him not to let that be a deterrent, but to be an example. Our children are not just the church of the future; they are vitally important to the church of today. Let's encourage them to make a difference this school year for Jesus.

In His Service,

Matt

SPOTLIGHT:

Committee Chairs: Please remember to reserve rooms for meetings with Karen in the church office.

Church Office hours:

- 8:30 am 5:00 pm Mondays through Thursday
- 8:30 pm 12:30 pm Fridays

End of Life Seminar: On August 16, 2025, Andy Garrison and Penny Attard will sponsor a EOL (End of Life) Seminar at the FBC Fellowship Hall. We will meet at 8:30am for registration and a light breakfast. The seminar will begin at 9am and should not go pass Noon. Because there will be limited seating and breakfast Pre-Registration is required. At the conclusion of the seminar each Family will take home their own "Red Book" filled with the necessary information needed at the time of a loved one's passing. Please contact Karen in the church office to register.

FBCJ Picnic at Hurricane Shoals Park: Sunday, August 10th from 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Bring a lawn chair and come enjoy some food, fun, and fellowship! Call or email Karen (admin@fbcjefferson.org; 706-367-8332) to sign your family up! We need a headcount for how much food we will need to have. Thanks!



Preschool Hours: School will be back in session soon! The FBCJ Preschool will be in session from 8: 00 am - 1:00 pm each day for older students beginning this school year. Please do not enter the preschool facility (upstairs or downstairs) during their operating hours. If you have an urgent need, please ring the doorbell under the portico and ask for Katie Fulcher (director). She will meet you at the door and will gladly escort you to your destination. Katie's presence with you will indicate to the staff and students that it is ok for you to be in the building for a short time. Thank you so much for helping keep our preschool safe and honoring our preschool protocol.

WELCOME!: Please help us welcome Kate Ferguson into membership at FBC Jefferson. Her parents are Brian and Jessica Ferguson. Welcome, Kate! → → →





WE NEED PICTURES: We are looking for photos of the AWESOME things happening at FBC Jefferson to include on the front of each week's bulletin. We'd love to have enough to change the photos weekly! Almost everyone carries a cellphone with a camera these days – pull out that phone and take pics at your gatherings! Then send them to Karen at admin@fbcjefferson.org – or you can text them to her.

THIS WEEK IN THE CHURCH:

Wednesday, July 30th:

- 6:00 pm Wednesday Night Bible Study (Fellowship Hall); Choir Practice (Choir Room); Summer Fun at the TreeHouse (Educational Building)
- 7:00 pm Connect Run/Walk (Adult II SS Classroom)

Thursday, July 31st:

• 6:00 pm – CYA Stripers Game

Sunday, August 3rd:

- 10:00 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 5:30 pm Student Gathering (Student Center)

Monday, August 4th:

- 9:00 am Morning Glory Circle (Adult II SS Class)
- 7:00 pm Mary Martha Circle (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, August 6th:

- 6:00 pm Wednesday Night Bible Study (Fellowship Hall); Choir Practice (Choir Room); Children In Action (CiA) (Educational Building) COLOR WARS BACK-TO-SCHOOL BASH!
- 7:00 pm Connect Run/Walk (Adult II SS Classroom)

PRAYER CONCERNS: The ongoing prayer concerns of the church may be found here.

MINISTRY & MISSION OPPORTUNITIES:

Adult Choir: The Adult Choir rehearses each Wednesday in the choir room across from the Children's Suite at 6:00 pm to prepare for each Sunday's anthem. If you enjoy singing, please join us.

Children's Ministry: We are going to start our new **Grade level Sunday School** classes this week in the Children's Ministry.

Kindergarten

1st and 2nd Grade

3rd,4th, and 5th Grade

Volunteers still needed for the Nursery and Children Church! Contact Teresa (706-367-8332; children@fbcjefferson.org.

Next Gen Back to School Bash August 6th 5:30-7pm

Invite a friend and join us for a fun night of Worship, Color War, Devotion and Pizza. Wear a white t-shirt for our Color War. Please pick your child/student up at the Student Center at 7pm.

August Sunday School: Big Idea: TIMELESS





Time travel is such an exciting concept to imagine! If we could hop into a time machine and visit the past, we might be surprised by how much has changed—and how some things stay exactly the same. One thing we'd discover is that God's love and faithfulness are timeless.

In this 5-week series, kids will explore how

God's messages to us never change, no matter the time or place. They'll learn that God's love is timeless, we can seek God any time, God is good all the time, God takes the time to forgive, and God is with us at all times.

BIG IDEA: God's love is timeless.

BIBLE: Hosea the Prophet: Hosea 11:1–11; Hebrews 10:19–25

About This Week:

This week, kids learn about how much God's people are loved through the prophet Hosea. If we could time-travel, a lot of us would go back in time to send ourselves messages to avoid making mistakes. This week, we'll hear how a prophet named Hosea shared an important message about God's unfailing love—even when they turned away. Throughout his life, Hosea helped everyone see that God's love is timeless.

College/Young Adults (CYA): Our college and young adult ministry meets weekly in a home group format, open to all 18–25-year-olds. For more information, please contact Ben at (803)341-7191 or bhall@fbcjefferson.org.



Connect Run/Walk Group: Connect Run/Walk Group meets on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm during the summer. Connect is for anyone interested in running/walking with others to grow and improve spiritually and physically, and to follow the teachings of the Lord. We will have a small devotion, prayer concerns, and praises. Join us and run/walk with others, bring a friend for our Christian fellowship. We will support you physically, mentally, and spiritually while walking, running, and sometimes trotting. We will run/walk the rolling scenic hills of Jefferson on different routes. Bring a friend. We have water and Gatorade waiting for you afterwards. Hydrate beforehand and wear light loose fitting clothes to help with the heat!

Connect Run/Walk Upcoming events:

July 30th – 7:00 pm – Adult II SS Classroom August 6th - 6:00 pm – Adult II SS Classroom

Get your name on the Connect Run/Walk Group email list – contact Barbara Gooch by email (bgooch02@yahoo.com).

Cookbook Project Update: An exciting update – THE COOKBOOK HAS BEEN RELEASED TO THE PUBLISHER! - This has been a long process, but these efforts will hopefully be enjoyed for many years to come. Our new cookbook combines both present contributors, ladies and gentlemen, as well as some of the precious memories from those who have passed from our body physically. Thank you to everyone who has helped to make this project a success.

It is now time to begin the process of taking your order for the finished product. Complete instructions will be included in the announcement time on Sunday morning, but here are a few of the highlights:

- 1. The cost of the books, a 3-ring binder with our church pictured on the cover \$25.00
- 2. An order form will be included in Sunday's bulletin. Order forms can also be found in the church office and the vestibule.
- You may pay with cash or check AT THE TIME YOU ORDER.
- 4. All orders will be handled and recorded through Karen in the church office. ORDER THROUGH KAREN ONLY.

A special "thank you" to everyone who has contributed and assembled this project. Remember all proceeds will go directly toward the purchase of a new church vehicle – SO MAKE YOUR CHRISTMAS LIST AND GIFT THE COOKBOOK TO ALL YOUR SPECIAL FRIENDS AND FAMILY!

Men's Ministry: The next Men's Ministry Breakfast will be held on Saturday, August 23rd at 8:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. All men of the church are invited!

Morning Glory Circle will meet in the Adult II Sunday School Class for their regular monthly meeting on Monday, August 4th at 9:00 am.

Student Ministry: Our student ministry meets on Sunday mornings at 10:00 am and Sunday afternoons from 5:30-7:00 pm, open to all 6th-12th graders. For more information, please contact Ben at (803)341-7191 or bhall@fbcjefferson.org.



Wednesday Night Meal: The Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal will start again on Wednesday, August 13th! Please call Karen in the church office to add your family's name to the weekly list!

The church gathers each Wednesday to share fellowship over a meal, address the church's prayer concerns and study the Bible. If you are interested in participating in the meal, please note the following:

- The cost for each meal is \$9.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children (11 years old and younger). The cost for families is capped at \$25.00.
- If you are not on the permanent list and plan to eat, please call Karen in the church office by each Monday by noon.
- If you are on the permanent list and can't make it this Wednesday, please call Karen in the church office for your name to be struck for the week and the church does not incur unnecessary costs.

WMU Meetings: If you are not a member of a WMU group and would like to join us, please contact DeMaris Gurley at 706-540-0866. She will direct you to the WMU group that best fits your schedule.

Deacons of the Week:

Week of July 27, 2025: Tom Emory and Kevin Charles

Week of August 3, 2025: Jim Smith and Melvin Porter

Opening and Closing: Ken Hall

Greeters and Ushers: Greg Keith and Joey Blackstock

NUMBERS FOR SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2025

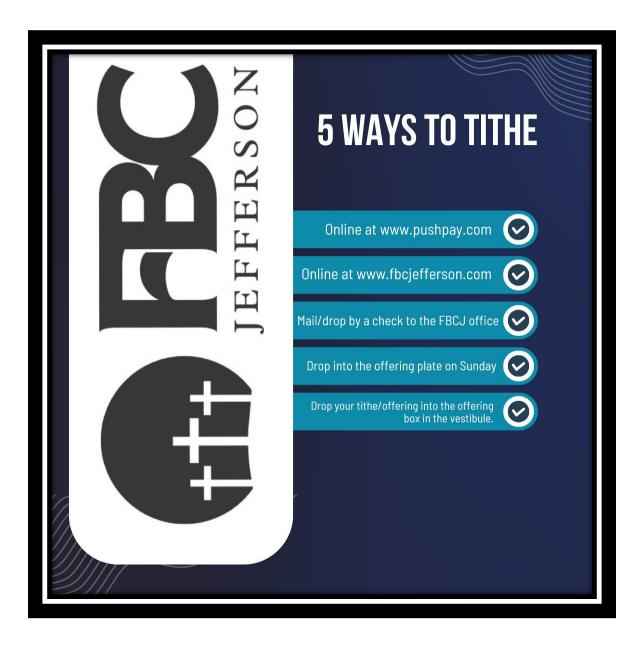
Sunday School Attendance: 137

Worship Attendance: 175
Nursery Attendance: 9
WORSHIP TOTAL: 184
Offering: \$9,861.90

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT:

• Previous services can be viewed here.

• You can live stream Sunday Combined Service here: 11:00 am





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Ongoing Prayer Concerns

Thomas Durrence Ezra King
Jerry Elliott Jane Kinney
Fred Glass Donna Martin
Kay Gray Merle Milburn
Harold Harbin Phil Thurmond
Vernell Hix Vicki White

Homebound, Assisted Living, Etc.

Dianne Brooks

Glenn Bullock

Dan Edgar

Helen Gunnels

Tim Harris

Raynelle Sims

Helen Whitlock

Raye Dean Jackson

Friends & Family

Alex Farmer (Sandra Farmer's son)
Barry Farmer (Sandra Farmer's husband)
Dave Fincher (Karen Vogt's brother) – at MUSC in
Charleston

Dominic Haines (broken neck at the state wrestling tournament)

Joseph Martin (Joe & Donna Martins' son)

Matt Pugh (Local man with cancer)

Tyler Truelove (Diane and Keith Ariails' son)

Additional Requests

Our Ministry Team and Their Families
Our Church-sponsored Missionaries
Our Local Veterans
Our Church Leadership & Staff
Texas Flood Victims and Their Families