



INTRODUCING:

Faith Davis

Faith is finishing up her 5th grade year at Wesleyan Heritage Academy. Some of her activities are playing capture the flag, swimming, and going to the park. A book that she likes is Beauty and the Beast. This summer, she looks forward to going on vacation to Kentucky. Her favorite color is hot pink and her favorite season is fall, because it includes her birthday. Some of her favorite foods are pepperoni pizza from Pizza Hut, Subway, and Dairy Queen cheeseburgers and fries. Faith likes cooking and also likes music. She is taking piano lessons, and one of the things she likes about our church is that we get to sing. Faith participates in the choir. Her favorite Bible story is Adam & Eve. Faith is a great listener in Movin' Up and is always a good sport in anything we learn or play. Her grandparents are Frank and Ruby, and her mom is Mary. We are blessed to have Faith a part of our FBC family!

Upcoming Events

Sunday, May 20

9:00 a.m. – Sunday School
9:50 a.m. – Coffee, The Gathering Place
10:05 a.m. – Kids' Time
10:15 a.m. – Worship Service

Teachers This Sunday

Nursery

Helen Steffen / Ciera Hiester

Kids' Time

Joyce Evans / Marcia Liddy

LOL

Michelle Tonner

Last Week

Attendance

May 13, 2018

Sunday School – 48
Worship Service – 102

Stewardship Report

Giving Toward:

Current Expense	\$4508.00
Missions	\$405.00
Building/ Maint. Fund	\$75.00
One Great Hour Sharing	\$360.00
Funeral Dinner	\$200.00

Total: \$5548.00



The Christian Education Board annually sponsors a reception for graduates in our church family. This cake reception will be on Sunday, June 3, right after the worship service. Our graduate is Julie Cantrell. She earned a B.A. in Music Business & Entrepreneurship from Judson University.



We will collect the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering throughout the month of May. This offering is used to help those in disaster areas throughout the world. Last year, we helped the hurricane victims. As mentioned previously, there are offering envelopes in the pews for this specific offering.

GUIDELINES FOR PRAYER

Doris Wolf – successful rehab after broken leg surgery
Larry Gilly – healing and adjustment to new medication
Phyllis Shady – healing from recent health concerns
Our Church - to continue to reach people in the community for Jesus

Local Ministries:

- Success for Helping Hands in ministering to families in Montpelier with their summer lunch program.
- Connection Center – wisdom and resources for helping those in need
- Youth for Christ Ministry – to finish the school year well in impacting students for Christ

Judson University Choir – for a powerful time of ministry and safety on their Europe Tour
One Great Hour of Sharing – for generous donations and wisdom for leaders in distributing the money throughout the year

Jon & Amanda Good family – for the Holy Spirit to help our Hungarian missionaries to quickly learn the language and be blessed in their ministry



CONFERENCE OPPORTUNITY

Priscilla Shirer will be the main speaker at a Lifeway Christian Event at the Fort Wayne Coliseum. The conference is August 24 & 25 and tickets for \$59 are available for purchase at the Lifeway Christian bookstore in Fort Wayne. You can also purchase them and get more info at Lifeway.com.

Planting a Tree

We ordered an autumn blaze maple tree through the city office. As promised, it was about five feet tall and about the same circumference as my thumb.

Phoning 811 before planting seemed like a colossal waste of time. But we dutifully made that call. Spray-painted lines and little utility flags soon appeared in our backyard. Our chosen planting sight was all clear.

We dug well away from all those lines and flags. As we turned over that thick green sod a few robins watched eagerly from a distance. Our maple dropped down into a hole that was twenty-four inches wide and also about that same depth.

As per instructions, we loosened the root ball and covered her with the appropriate amount of dirt. We watered our sapling thoroughly. The next day we laid a circumference of landscape rocks around her and added mulch as directed. So we did our very best to help this scrawny little twig grow toward maturity.

How could we have anticipated the next two days would include fierce Indiana winds? Although “twiggy” was supported by a strong bamboo pole, her struggle to survive and thrive had begun.

There is another aspect to this story. Our hope for this new tree is partially built on the fact that we previously planted a small autumn blaze maple back in Kansas. It did extremely well. That Kansas maple grew to become an admired shade tree, especially in the fall of the year.

It is important to remember God’s faithfulness in the past as a basis for hope here and now. David wrote, “Because You have been my help, Therefore in the shadow of Your wings I will rejoice.” Ps. 63:7

Holding on to hope with you,

Les



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Homebound Members

Christian Care

Mildred Huss – Room 219B

River Terrace

Eulis West – Room 220

Markle Health and Rehabilitation

Barbara French – Room 216

Home

Rose McCormick

As we co-labor with other churches
in our community,
this week we pray for:
Sonlight Wesleyan Church
Pastor Lyle Breeding

First Baptist Church

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First Baptist Church - Bluffton, Indiana

Pastor: Les Cantrell
Cell phone: 260-273-9073
Secretary: Debbie Cantrell

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