

THE LINK

June 14, 2017

Thanks to all who joined in the fun last Saturday at the State Park! See the screens on Sunday for more pictures!



Upcoming Events

Wednesday, June 14
noon – Women's Bible Study

Thursday, June 15
6:30 p.m. – Deacon Meeting

Sunday, June 18
9:00 a.m. – Sunday School
10:05 a.m. – Kids' Time
10:15 a.m. – Worship Service

Teachers This Sunday

Nursery

Helen Steffen / Angie Bynum

Kids' Time

Ruth Ann Monroe / Marcia Liddy

Last Week

June 11, 2017

Attendance

Worship Service – 97
Sunday School – 56

Stewardship Report

Giving Toward:

Current Expense	\$1763.00
Missions	\$120.00
Building/ Maint. Fund	\$66.00
Total:	\$1949.00



The Christian Education Board is sponsoring a picnic and swim at the Wells Community Pool. It will be on July 9 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. We will eat at 5:30 p.m. at the picnic area next to the pool. The Christian Ed Board will supply hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, water, lemonade, table service, and condiments. Please bring a dish to share. Swimming will be from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. It is likely that there will be a lifeguard on duty until 8:30 p.m., if parents and other adults wish to swim that late. Please sign up on your Welcome Card this Sunday with the number from your clan that plans to attend.



Wednesday, June 21 – Come to the church from 2-4 p.m. Bring your nerf guns and balls; please bring extras if you have some you could share. We will play nerf games – with targets and an obstacle course. We will not be shooting at each other! For our snack, we will bake brownies. We need to know who is coming. Please RSVP to Debbie with a text or call to 260-273-9326 by June 19. Thanks!

Wednesday, July 5 – Celebrate with games and fireworks on the church parking lot. We will start at 7:00 p.m. As in the past, it is fun for adults to bring their lawn chairs to visit and watch the festivities. They are also welcome to join the kids in the fun. After a few games, we will have some snacks. The finale will be sparklers and firework fountains that we help the kids light. We are usually done by around 9:00 p.m.

Reminder

Please remember that if you want a record of your church giving, you need to put your name on the envelope. Thanks! Karyn Gilly, Financial Secretary

Prayer Items

Gloria Reeves, Judy Zeigler, Billie Jovevski, Denise Downs – healing from cancer
Herb Heyerly – recovery from knee surgery and pain relief
Youth Events- that our youth would have fun and be encouraged in the Lord

A Father of Influence: JAMES EARL CARTER SR.

1894-1953

Young James Carter always sought his father's approval, and Earl gave it to him. After a career as a young naval officer, Jimmy entered politics first as the governor of his native Georgia and then as the thirty-ninth president of the United States.

Of his two parents, young Jimmy Carter was especially fond of his father, and he hungered for his father's approval. One day when Jimmy was only four years old, his father took him, his mother, and younger sister, Gloria, to see their newly purchased farmhouse. The door was locked because Earl Carter had forgotten the key. Earl pried open a window and asked Jimmy to slide through the narrow opening. Jimmy did and opened the door from the inside. It was a small thing, but he was proud to be able to save the day for his dad.

On another occasion, Jimmy let his father down, and the sting stuck with him for years. Every Sunday, Earl gave his son a penny to put into the collection plate at church. That afternoon, Earl found two pennies on Jimmy's dresser. That meant that instead of putting a penny into the plate, Jimmy had taken one out. Jimmy got a swatting, but the pain of disappointing his father was even more painful. From that day on, Jimmy never stole anything again.

Earl Carter taught Jimmy to fish, hunt, and play baseball. But most of all, Earl esteemed his son and taught him the value of hard work. Earl didn't heap praises on his son, but when Jimmy heard his father call him Hot Shot, he knew he had done well.

Many historians believe that Carter's post-presidency work has been greater than his presidential actions. He has been a tireless crusader for Habitat for Humanity and overseen several democratic elections in foreign nations. In 1998, he received one of the first United Nations Human Rights prizes. That same year, he won the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the highest civilian award granted by the U.S. Government. And, in 2002, he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for his tireless efforts through the decades to find peaceful answers to international difficulties.

Earl Carter loved his children and affirmed them throughout his life. His influence on his son Jimmy contributed greatly to Jimmy's unwavering belief that everything should be done with excellence and diligence. This belief led Jimmy to a successful career in the navy, an outstanding career in politics, and then as a Nobel Peace Prize winner.

This article is an excerpt from the book "Fathers of Influence: Inspiring Stories of Men Who Made a Difference in Their Children and Their World" 2006 by Bordon Books



Homebound Members

Christian Care

Joan Sills – Room 222
Mildred Huss – Room 219B

River Terrace

Phebe Edington – Room 134
Mary Ellis – Room 107B
LaVera Krummen – Room 116

Signature Healthcare

Bonnie McAfee – Room 403B

Markle Health and Rehabilitation

Barbara French – Room 216

As we co-labor with other churches
in our community,
this week we pray for:
Hope Missionary Church
Pastor Gary Aupperle

First Baptist Church

260-824-1558

firstbaptist@adamswells.com

fbcbluffton.com

 First Baptist Church - Bluffton, Indiana

Pastor: Les Cantrell

Cell phone: 260-273-9073

Music Director: Sarah Landell

Secretary: Debbie Cantrell

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