

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
OF SOUTH BOSTON, VIRGINIA**

May 12, 2024.....11:00 a.m.

**Mother's Day**

Prelude..... "Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him".....Blake  
Pam Smith, organist

Welcome and Invocation.....Susan Davis

\*Hymn of Praise....."Worthy of Worship".....No. 3

Special Music....."God's Top 10".....Children's Choir

\*Hymn of Sharing....."Oh, How I Love Jesus".....No. 217

\*Prayer of Dedication and Consecration.....Dwight Stewart

Offertory..... "I Love Thee, My Lord".....Wagner

The Receiving of God's Tithes and Our Offering

\*Doxology

Morning Prayer.....Susan Davis

**THE LORD'S PRAYER:**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen**

Anthem..... "His Mercy is More".....Arr. Rouse  
Chancel Choir

Children's Sermon.....Chastity Simmons-Talbott

*As the organ plays, we invite children to come to the front. Afterwards, children in **kindergarten through 4<sup>th</sup> Grade** are invited to go with our leaders for their own time of worship and learning.*

Scripture.....Matthew 11: 28-30.....Susan Davis

Sermon....."Not Your Typical Mother's Day Sermon".....Susan Davis

\*Hymn of Commitment..."Would You Bless Our Homes and Families".....No. 507

Announcements.....Susan Davis

Blessing.....Susan Davis

\*Postlude.....Postlude on "Lobe den Herren".....Williamson

\*Those who are able, please stand

Today's Sanctuary Flowers are in  
In Memory of Nelson Motley, Sr. for his birthday, May 13  
and Elaine Motley for Mother's Day  
Given by Allyn Beth, Chris, and Nelson Jr.

**Come & See Tuesday Night Bible Study**

May 14 and May 28 at 7:00 pm in the Faith Café

**Luncheon for Susan Davis on May 19, 2024**

Susan Davis is retiring May 19. After the worship service, we will have a catered luncheon in her honor in the fellowship hall. We hope you will be able to attend. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer. You may also call the church office (572-3971) to register your name(s). **Please sign up by Tuesday, May 14.**

**Lillian E. Perkins Scholarship...due by June 30, 2024.**

The applications are currently available on the glass table in the foyer. The application should be completed and returned (with proper documents) to: FBC Endowment Committee, 815 North Main Street, South Boston, VA 24592

**GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY...May 26, 2024**

First Baptist Church is compiling a list of Graduates for 2024.

Please submit the name of your **high school or college graduate** to the church office **no later than Sunday, May 19.**

Also, we are having the High School Graduate Recognition Breakfast on Sunday, May 26 at 9:30 am in the Church Fellowship Hall with recognition of our graduates during the morning worship service.

If you would like to bring in some memorable photos of the graduates (high school or college), you can bring actual photos to the office or email them to Nick Nichols.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JUNE 3, 4, & 5, 2024**

**9:00 am to 12:00 Noon**

**In order for VBS to happen we need volunteers:**

at least 6 shepherds; teachers (for music, crafts, Bible stories, recreation) and one volunteer with each teacher; at least three snack volunteers; at least three registration volunteers; and at least two floating volunteers.

Please keep in mind that VBS is so important. It is outreach for our church; it is an opportunity for children who have never had a faith relationship to learn about Jesus. VBS is also an opportunity for older generations to help raise children in God's ways, teaching them how God wants us to live. VBS is an excellent opportunity for older and younger generations to come together in fellowship, to make connections, and definitely to have a few chuckles. It provides families with a safe, healthy environment for their children during the summer, many of which might be unable to afford other summer activities. All you need is a willing spirit, and I will find a place that you and your talents fit. You can email Chastity [chastity.simmons@gmail.com](mailto:chastity.simmons@gmail.com) with choices of where you would like to volunteer, and any questions.

**PRAYER TEAM**

All are invited to join the Prayer Team in the Choir Room at 9:30 AM each Sunday to pray for the Worship Service, Sunday School classes, church concerns, and individual prayer requests. All are welcome to join us.

**Sunday Mornings at FBC 9:45-10:45 am**

Nursery for ages birth-preschool Room 28A (main floor)  
KING'S CLUB Fellowship Hall (lower level) K-4th grades  
KING'S CLUB Fellowship Hall from 9:45-10:00  
5th-8th grades Room 218 from 10-10:45 (main floor)

C.I.A. (Christians in Action)  
Parents and working adults Room 204E (main floor)

F.I.S.H. (Friends In Service to Him) Blend of working adults and retirees Library-Faith Café (main floor)

Philos  
Blend of working adults & retirees **Room 202 (main floor)**

Jewel Moore-Fidelis Senior Adults Room 203 (main floor)

Lacy-Slate Senior Adults Chapel (main floor)

Worship Nursery offered for ages birth-preschool Children K-4th grade may go to Children's Church with the leader after the children's sermon if desired, **Room 219B (main floor)**

**Weekly Opportunities**

**Sunday, May 12, 2023**

Prayer Team in Choir Room.....9:30 am  
Sunday Bible Study.....9:45 am  
Worship Service.....11:00 am

**Monday, May 13, 2024**

Postal Carrier Food Drive in fellowship hall  
GriefShare.....1:00 or 6:30 pm

**Tuesday, May 14, 2024**

No Children's Choir Practice  
Come & See Tuesday Night Bible Study in Faith Café 7 pm

**Wednesday, May 15, 2024**

Youth and Children's Ministry.....5:30-7:00 pm  
Chancel Choir Practice.....5:30 pm

**THANK YOU NOTE:**

Dear First Baptist Church Family,  
Thank you for the beautiful basket of flowers that you sent for my Mom's funeral. I really appreciated them. I thank you for the visits, food, cards and especially the prayers. Thank you to all who came to Mom's funeral. You have no idea how my heart was touched when I saw my FBC friends come in. You have prayed for my Mom, you have visited her, and you have sent her flowers and cards. Each act of kindness was deeply appreciated by my Mama and me. God Bless Each of You,  
Nancy

**First Baptist Church**

**Mission Statement:**

First Baptist Church strives to be an innovative, inclusive Christian fellowship of friendly, caring believers committed to sharing God's Good News.

Bill (540)-272-0232

Susan: (336) 583-5412

**Pastor Bill Boelte's Schedule**

Monday - day off, Tuesday - visitation day  
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday - office hours 8am until noon,  
other days/times by appointment

**THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY**

**Ushers:**

Chip Welcher, Bill McCaleb,  
Jack Caldwell, Ricky Hutcherson,  
Tommy Elliott, Jerry Burnett

**Acolyte:**

Lacy Pate

**Worship Nursery Workers:**

Peggy Talbott, Joy Burnett,  
and Lacy Pate

**Children's Church:**

Chastity Simmons-Talbott

\*\*Children's Church is offered for ages Kindergarten through 4<sup>th</sup> grade\*\*

**Deacons of the Month and**

**Greeters for May:**

Bill McCaleb and Becky Donner

**Attendance & Offering Report**

Worship Service 5/5/24.....90

**Offering Report for 5/5/24**

Offering for 5/5/24.....\$5,788.00

Offering Year to Date.....\$83,270.00

**GRIEF SHARE**

Grief Share is open to anyone who has experienced a loss. Participants will meet either on Monday afternoons at 1:00 in the Faith Café or on Monday evenings at 6:30. (If you have any questions, please call Mary Eanes at 476-7068 or email [mlbeans@gmail.com](mailto:mlbeans@gmail.com).)

## Mother's Day Responsive Reading

Leader: All who gather here are sons or daughters.

**All: We praise God for the women who gave us life.**

Leader: For mothers brave, strong, compassionate, full of wisdom and grace.

**All: We give God thanks and praise.**

Leader: For mothers vulnerable, worried, frustrated and hurried.

**All: We pray for peace.**

Leader: For relationships that are strained and no longer a source of joy.

**All: We pray for healing.**

Leader: For mothers who have died, that live no longer with us, but whose light shines on, in our hearts and memories.

**All: We pray for those who mourn, and give God thanks for life eternal.**

Leader: For mothers who grieve, who have lost children born or unborn.

**All: We weep with those with broken hearts.**

Leader: For those who are struggling to raise children, who are tired and weary.

**All: We pray that we may be their village, offering real help in hard times.**

Leader: For those who are preparing emptier nests.

**All: We both celebrate and mourn with you, and hope their Wings are as strong as their roots.**

Leader: For stepmothers, navigating the pitfalls and joys of creating a new family

**All: We pray for wisdom and patience**

Leader: For Grandmothers who are doing the hard work of raising children again.

**All: We pray the caregivers have those who care for them.**

Leader: For those who are waiting and sometimes struggling with the biological process to bring new life, and for those who are waiting for adoptive process to be fulfilled.

**All: We wait eagerly with you, and offer you our hand to hold in the trial.**

Leader: For women who do not have children, but instead teach, care for, and guide the children of others.

**All: We give God thanks and praise.**

Leader: For the mothers, sisters, daughters in our midst and around the world. For the women, who, created in the image of God, give not just life, but abundant life. For women fighting, struggling and sweating for the sake of others. For women caring, compassionate, and crying with the heart of Christ. For the caregivers, prophets, preachers, teachers, leaders, shepherds, healers. For Moms, in their wide variety and many forms,

**ALL: We give God thanks and praise.**