



# The Informer

## Fairfax First Baptist Church

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*Love God Supremely, Love Others as Yourself, Share the Gospel of Jesus*

Pastor:

Music Director: Sandra Daubard

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### OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

#### Sunday, 6/13/21

Sunday School ..... 10:00am  
Morning Worship -Business.....11:00am  
Praise Band Practice..... 4:00pm  
Discipleship Training , Youth &  
Children's Activities.....5:00pm  
Evening Worship..... 6:00pm

#### Wednesday, 6/09/21

Prayer & Bible Study..... 6:30 pm  
Choir Practice ..... 7:30 pm

### Attention: **Business Meeting Sunday**

**Annie Armstrong total \$3259**  
**Our goal is \$3000**

### SERVANTS—June 13, 2021

Tellers  
Joel Williams, Jan Thomas

Lord's Prayer  
Jan Thomas

Church Monitor  
Butch Sauls



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**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Lorine Speck - 5 Tranquil Point, Lexington, SC 29072

**JEH Nursing Home:**

Jean Ferguson, Catherine Loadholt, Celia Jones, Annie Manuel

**Briana's Residential Care:** Hilda Rahn,

**Tyler Rest More Home**— Orangeburg, SC

Claudine Mitchel

**OUR ACTIVE MILITARY:** John Mark

Cook, Lt. Joseph Dyches Jr., Major Lindi Kirkland -US Air Force

**Friends & Family:**

Raymond Bennett, Paula Billingsley, Peggy Boleman, Willis Bowers, David Brabham, Leigh Brabham, Marvin Brege, Carolyn Bryan, Katie Champagne, Louise Cook, Michael Cone, Larry Cribb, James Deer, Charlie Drawdy, Ralph & Elaine Elliott, Marvin Ferrer, George Fogle, Ida Foust, Leroy Googe, Carrie Grubbs, Todd Grubbs, Bonnie Harter, Kenny Morris, Jr., Walker Russell Harter, Greg Hiatt, Jenny Jackson, Donnie & Debbie Jones, Cecilia Kearsse, Chester & June Kearsse, Linda Kearsse, Peggy Loadholt, Resa Monts,,Linda Moseley, David Murphy, Kelly O Bryant, Frankie Padgett, Chris & Tammy Page, Ralph Payne, Azilee Polk, Reid Porter Jr., Dr. Raman, Debbie Rish, Shirley & Penny Robinson, Cliff Rogers, Libby Smith, Latrelle Still, Cambridge Stone, Richard Sumler, Sara Beth Thomas, Tina Tuten, Kim Trabue, Teresa Tyler, David Walls, David & Marsha Ann Wiley, Myrna Wilson, W. K. & Elese Windham, Billy Woolridge, Jule Young, Janice Zissette

*If you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. Matthew 6:14*

In decades past, it became popular to scoff at the idea we should forgive those who hurt us. Psychologists with impressive credentials wrote books trying to discredit the importance of forgiving our enemies. Now. Forgiveness is all the rage! Counselors of every stripe recommend it as the way to health, well-being, and peace. Of course, willingness to forgive others has always been one of Christianity's key teachings.

That doesn't mean forgiving others has always—or ever!—been easy. The difficulty posed by it may be one reason the New Testament so often repeats the admonition to forgive.

Forgiveness just doesn't come naturally. We'd rather keep score, tracking the offenses of others against us. Nursing a grudge can feel rather pleasant, at least for a while. Eventually, though, grudges have a way of growing until, monster- like, the bitterness we've created devours us. Our Savior teaches us a better way:

*For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you.*

Almost always when scripture urges us to forgive, it reminds us in the same breath that our Lord has forgiven us. By forgiving others, we demonstrate that we have understood our need for God's forgiveness—and treasure it. God's forgiveness toward us nurtures and encourages within us the decision to forgive those around us.

Our Savior's goal for each of us is that we become more and more like him—"little Christs," as some have put it. But he will not force that upon us. Maybe you had a well-meaning parent or first-grade teacher who pressured you and a friend with words

like these: "Say you're sorry!" "Now say you forgive her!"

Adults can force children to mumble words of confession and forgiveness, but God expects and instills more in his children. As we grow in grace, we come to recognize more and more fully the value of the pardon we have received from Jesus. Then, more and more willingly we pray, "Lord, work your heart of kindness in me and teach me to forgive."

Dear First Baptist Church Family,  
We wanted to thank you for all the visits, cards, food and prayers you have extended to our family through Dot's illness and passing. We have truly seen the hands and feet of Jesus at work and are so appreciative for your kindness, love and compassion during our time of immense grief. The beautiful meal that was prepared for us after her celebration service was a wonderful time of togetherness that we enjoyed as a family and the lovely cross of flowers at her graveside was a wonderful reminder of God's peace and comfort that we so needed. We love you and are grateful for each one of you.  
With much love,  
Leroy Googe & Melissa Zeigler

Butch Sauls is planning a Study Group on David Jeremiah's book "10 Questions Christians are Asking?" If interested please call the church office. 632-3228

**Health Kits**  
Migrant Ministry Health Kits are due in church office Tuesday, June 29. Tony Hancock Director of Hispanic Missions leads Bible studies for the migrants. Each one in the Bible study receives a Bible, literature and a health kit Also used for disasters such as house fires. Each one in family receives a health kit.

**\* \* \* Items needed for each kit:**  
1 bath towel, 1 toothbrush, 1 wash cloth, 1 toothpaste, 1 bar soap, 1 hair comb. Place all items in a 2 gallon Ziplock bag or bring to church office and we will bag them.

Mission Project  
Our Youth will be collecting money for the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes this year. What is collected between now and October will be used to purchase items to be packed in the Shoeboxes. There is a jar in our Sunday School room if you would like to drop in some change toward this goal. If you would like to donate, you may add this as a designated item on an offering envelope. If you have any questions, contact Mary Jean. Additional jars will be in the entrance to church and church office.  
Thank You

**Young at Heart**  
will meet Monday, June 28, 2021 at 6 pm. in church annex. Bring your favorite covered dish and join us. Helen's famous rutabagas and Sara's cool peach jello salad will be there.

**Online Giving**  
You can give online at: [baptistfoundationsc.org/give/](http://baptistfoundationsc.org/give/) (Select Fairfax First Baptist or #ffbc)  
You have the option to give by credit card or check.

**OUR RECORD SPEAKS 6/06/21**

SS Enrollment/Attendance	116/35
Visitors/New Members.....	00/00
Morning Worship.....	55
In Memory of Dot Googe.....	595.00
Annie Armstrong –Dot Googe...	50.00
Mission Fund.....	50.00
Building Fund.....	100.00
Budget Offering.....	5396.00
Budget Needs (weekly).....	3798.00

