Dear FBC Friends:

On Sunday, May 20, following the morning services and after a light lunch is served, we will be sharing a congregational conversation about worship. During the months of January–April we have been experimenting with a variety of “transitional” approaches to worship. Each Sunday of the month has been offered in a slightly different style as we have moved through the month, transitioning from formal and traditional to less formal, more blended, and eventually a praise-team led worship experience.

During this season we have asked you to be praying about worship and what we are learning as a congregation as we continue to lift up the goal of “keeping those who are part of FBC engaged, while also reaching persons new to FBC.” Our May 20th conversation will be an opportunity, in an ordered and planned way, to share what we are learning.

In preparation we would offer the following questions for your reflection:

- What have you/we learned about worship?
- What approach(es) to worship will best help us in our goal of “keeping those who are already part of FBC engaged, and reaching persons who are not part of FBC?”
- What opportunities and/or challenges has this time of learning about worship revealed?
- As we move forward what would be one thing you would like others to know about worship at FBC?

So, please save the date (May 20) and come prepared to participate with others in a conversational forum that will give our Worship Pathway and Church Council valuable input as we discern next steps in worship and ministry.

You may have heard that I will be having surgery in early May to address a health concern that has cropped up in my life. I’m grateful to those who will be covering for me while I’m out and for your prayers for healing and recovery.

Pastor Dan

_Sabbatical Nears:_ What a terrific blessing it has been to be a recipient of the 2018 Lilly Clergy and Congregational Renewal grant. This program, administered by Christian Theological Seminary, will allow us all to experience a season of refreshment and renewal during the summer months. Please take the time to read the enclosed Sabbatical brochure, edited by Bob Rhude, to gain a complete picture of what lies ahead.
**Sign Up For Ministry Area/Revitalization Teams**

Many have been waiting for the sign-up for Ministry Teams as we have done in previous years. That was postponed late last year to give the Revitalization Teams time to determine the help they would need. Now that we are well into the new year and the Pathway Teams are working, the Council decided to wait until this fall to do the sign-up. **THIS DOES NOT MEAN YOU CAN'T PARTICIPATE!**

If you are looking for an area where you can use your talents and gifts, contact the Ministry Team Lead to indicate your interest. A place(s) will be identified for you and you can start right away. Every team can use extra hands. The Ministry Team Leads are:

- Worship – Sue Putterill
- Stewardship – Ryan Jones
- Missions – Liz Lipson
- Evangelism – Jerald Hatton
- Christian Ed – Beth Caldwell
- Family Life – Lori Cash

If you need assistance feel free to contact any member of the Council.

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**Adult Elective Opportunity – 2nd Hour**

*Soul Keeping: Caring for the Most Important Part of You* is a six week adult elective class that continues to be offered on Sunday mornings during 2nd Hour through May 20. This class, being facilitated by various leaders, meets on the lower level in Room #101 (Drama Room).

A DVD/discussion based study by FBC favorite John Ortberg, “Soul Keeping” takes you on an exploration of the soul from the perspective of someone who has struggled to understand and care for his own soul. . . Ortberg shared his honest, funny, moving, insightful, and tender journey with you so that you can better care for your own soul.”

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**Spring GROW GROUPS are continuing**

Special thanks to all who are hosting, leading and participating in this faith formation opportunity.

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**Photo Skills Workshop**

June 3 at 10:45 a.m.

This Sunday morning elective program in the FBC Chapel will focus on improving photo skills when taking pictures with camera phones or any digital camera. Topics to be discussed include composition, lighting, quality and editing. The workshop is free to all attendees and may be very helpful to those participating in the Photo Challenge. The workshop instructor is FBC’s Paige Williams, a member of our congregation, a professional photographer and owner of P•K Photography. “My goal for this workshop is to help people be more comfortable taking pictures with their phones while also helping them take better quality photos,” explained Paige.

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**Bon Voyage to Cash family**

Please join us on June 3 with a pitch-in meal starting at 11.45 a.m., to wish Bon Voyage to the Cash family as they begin Dan’s sabbatical. The church will provide meats, bread, tableware and drinks. For those attending, please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Please mark on the welcome pads if you wish to attend so that we cater appropriately.
Pastoral Care Team for May
May 6—Kerry & Alice Richmond
May 13—Daryl & Dot McMath
May 20—Tim & Paula Pickup
May 27—Carolyn Baker and Sue Hoffman

EMERGENCY RESPONDER SCHEDULE
May 6—Joyce Briggs       June 3—Robertta Walls
May 13—Kim Hamon         June 10—Forest Daugherty
May 20—Judy Rhude        June 17—Mike Compton
May 27—Sharon Fulkerson  June 24—Joyce Briggs

MAY COMMUNION
SANCTUARY SERVERS:
Daryl McMath
Frank Eldridge
Joe Hamon
Dick Miller
John McKay
Ron Lane
Molly Nelson
Jim Bokelman
Sue Putterill

HOMEBOUND SERVERS:
Grace Marshall
Carol Poe
Larry & Susan Carter
Cliff Putterill
Randy & Jeannie Wheeler
Janet Bailey

COMMUNION PREPARATION: Kip & Lianne Wright
CLEAN-UP: Marian Miller, Teresa Arbuckle, Dick Miller, Ron Lane

JUNE COMMUNION
SANCTUARY SERVERS:
Frank Eldridge
Bill & Carolyn Baker
Wayne Lovelace
Keith Arbuckle
Jim Bokelman
Cliff Putterill
Randy Wheeler
Nathan Patrick

HOMEBOUND SERVERS:
Grace Marshall
Janet Bailey
Carol Poe
Susan Carter
Linda Foster
Teresa Arbuckle

COMMUNION PREPARATION: Randy & Jeannie Wheeler
CLEAN UP: Jim Bokelman, Randy Wheeler, Bill Baker, Linda Foster

Anyone who would like to assist with communion, please contact Sue Putterill, 812-350-0357.
SERVING IN THE NURSERY THIS MONTH:

May 6
Nursery Worship—Sue Hoffman
Toddlers Worship—Kayla Jones
Nursery Sunday School—Paulette McClintock
Toddlers Sunday School—

May 13
Nursery Worship—Sharon Fulkerson
Toddlers Worship—Carol Poe & Charlotte Oestreicher
Nursery Sunday School—Sue Hoffman
Toddlers Sunday School—Judy Alexander & Susan Carter

May 20
Nursery Worship—Deborah, Emily & Molly Nelson
Toddlers Worship—
Nursery Sunday School—Teresa Arbuckle
Toddlers Sunday School—

May 27
Nursery Worship—Heidi & Reilly Jones
Toddlers Worship—
Nursery Sunday School—Jennifer & Anna Kelley
Toddlers Sunday School—

A Note of Thanks!

Thank you to all those who donated items or worked the Rummage Sale. The proceeds will be put to good use at Murrow Indian Children’s Home in Oklahoma. We cleared approximately $2700.

Many thanks, The Missions Team

A sincere thank you to all who assisted in many ways with Easter breakfast. The Church Hostess Team appreciates the many helping hands. A special thanks to our custodial staff for providing all the needed set-ups during the Easter weekend.

Gratefully,
Judy Rhude
(For the Church Hostess Team)

Thanks to Pastor Dan and everyone who have sent cards, called to check on us, and prayed for our recovery. Thanks to Carolyn and Sue for their visit to brighten our day. A special thanks to Dot McMath for bringing us our church bulletin each Friday and for helping in any way she can. We appreciate your concerns.

Cecil & Linda Workman

Thank you to everyone who helped to support the new Unchained Worship Ministry.

Jeremy Martin & Team

Thank you from the Health Team:

The Health Team is grateful for all who supported the Red Cross Blood Drive on April 14 at FBC. The goal for our site was reached. Many thanks to those who donated blood, those who hosted or assisted in any way.

Judy Rhude
Music Ministry

Music Worship Leaders for May

Opening Songs – Lucy Cash, Breanne Vogelpohl, Lance Alexander
May 6 – Glad Ringers and Chancel Choir
May 13 – Jubilation Ringers and Chancel Choir
May 20 – Chancel Choir
May 27 – Chancel Choir

SHARING IN MUSIC MINISTRY
During the summer we invite family and friends of the congregation to share in the music ministry on Sunday mornings. We’d love to do that again this June, July and August. If you have someone in mind whom you would like to invite, talk to them and see if they are willing/able. If they are, then let Joyce know who, what they could share and a way to reach them. I will already be contacting those in our church family who come regularly, but you might want to encourage someone to share their gifts.

HANDBELL DEMONSTRATION & WORKSHOP
THURSDAY, MAY 17
10:00 A.M. IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

Come and join us in Fellowship Hall to discover how it’s possible to play bells. If the morning time won’t work, ask Joyce for your own private session!

Live Streaming available for Sunday Services
❖ To view on your PC go to http://www.sundaystreams.com/go/fbccolumbus or access through the link on our web page: fbccolumbus.org/WP/sermons.
❖ To view on your cell phone or tablet from the App Store or Google Play, Download: Sundaystreams, Login: fbccolumbus
Youth News

FBC Youth meet on Sundays at 10:45 a.m. in the Youth Room for their regular youth group time. The following special events are planned for coming weeks:

- **Saturday, May 5 @ 10AM — Indianapolis Zoo Trip**
  Contact Mollie & Jordan Adams, Missy & Adam Zimmerman, or one of our FBC Youth for more information.

May Birthdays

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Graduation & Promotion Sunday
May 27 during worship

Graduating from High School or College this year?
Have a student going into 3rd grade?

Please notify the church office by May 13 of members/friends of our congregation who will be graduating this year and children who will be going into 3rd grade.

FBC Elementary Teacher Schedule

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On the last Sunday of each month, youth & children are invited to join us for Coffee Fellowship following Worship.
Graduation Open House for Lucy Cash

Dan & Lori Cash invite you to join them and their family in celebration of Lucy Cash’s 2018 graduation from Columbus East High School. An Open House will be held at First Baptist Church in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, May 26, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Lucy plans to attend the University of Southern Indiana in the Fall of 2018.

SAVE THE DATE – SEPTEMBER 15, 2018

This is the date for our 2018 Seeds of Love 5K Run/Walk. Please start thinking about how you can participate – lots of opportunities – stay tuned.

Also, do us a favor – if you know of someone or business that would be a possible sponsor for this event – please contact one of the committee members – and we will make the contact. If you would like to make the contact, we have sponsor letters available in the church office.

Thanks for your support – Donna Tull (race coordinator), Beth Aldenhagen, Keith Arbuckle, Juanita Bush, Joe Hamon, Bob/Sue Hoffman, Rob/Deb Lilly, Daryl/Dot McMath, Dick Miller, Charlotte Oestreicher, Kerry/Alice Richmond, Ben Slaton, Gordon/Beth Smiley, Sharon Tobias

American Baptist Women’s Ministry
May Tea & General Meeting

ABW invites you to join us on Saturday afternoon, May 5 at 1:00 p.m. in the chapel to hear Terri Ketterling tell us about her trip to Amsterdam to visit our American Baptist missionary, Lauren Bethel, and hear about her work with women who work in the red light district. International Ministries seeks to nurture the psychological, physical and spiritual transformation of those who have experienced the trauma of forced labor. Light desserts will be served. Following her program, ABW will have their spring general meeting and election of officers. If you are coming to our church work day, please stay and listen to Terri’s story and then feel free to leave. We don’t mind work clothes at all!

What’s New in the Library?

- NESU ANDREWS - ISAIAH’S DAUGHTER
- LAURAIN SNELLING - A BREATH OF HOPE
- BEVERLY LEWIS - THE ROAD HOME
- MARY CONNEALY - ACCIDENTAL GUARDIAN
**Healthy Living Tips**

**May is stroke awareness month.**

**FACTS & STATISTICS**

A stroke, sometimes referred to as a brain attack, occurs when the blood supply to the brain is blocked by a clot or tear in a blood vessel.

There are two types of stroke: **ISCHEMIC** and **HEMORRHAGIC**.

In an ischemic stroke a blood vessel becomes blocked, usually by a blood clot, and a portion of the brain becomes deprived of oxygen. Ischemic strokes are the most common type of stroke, representing about 87% of all strokes. In one second, 32,000 brain cells die, and in 59 seconds an ischemic stroke will have killed 1.9 million brain cells.

A hemorrhagic stroke can occur when an aneurysm, a blood-filled pouch that balloons out from an artery, ruptures, flooding the surrounding tissue with blood. The fatality rate is higher and prognosis poorer for those who experience hemorrhagic strokes.

In the United States, about 795,000 people suffer a stroke each year. Someone has a stroke every 40 seconds, and every 4 minutes someone dies from stroke. There are more than 140,000 deaths each year from stroke. Statistics show that about 40% of stroke deaths occur in males and 60% in females.

Stroke is also the leading cause of serious long-term disability in the United States. There are over 7 million stroke survivors living in the United States today and two-thirds of them are currently disabled. Around 25% of people who recover from their first stroke will have another within 5 years.

Strokes can and do occur at ANY age. Nearly one quarter of strokes occur under the age of 65. The risk of stroke more than doubles each decade after the age of 55.

**STROKE RISK FACTORS:** There are many risk factors for stroke, the front runner being high blood pressure. Below are other factors that put you at risk:

- High Blood Pressure
- Obesity
- High Cholesterol Levels
- Narrowed Arteries
- Diabetes
- Arrhythmia or AFIB
- Previous Stroke or Transient Ischemic Attack
- Over the Age of 65
- Family History of Stroke

There are also risk factors that come about from lifestyle choices, such as:

- Lack of Exercise
- Poor Diet
- Smoking
- Consuming More Than 2 Alcoholic Drinks per Day

Having 3 or more of these risk factors multiplies your risk for Stroke. Please talk to your healthcare provider if you have or notice them.

**STROKE SIGNS & SYMPTOMS:** If you or a loved one believe you are having a stroke—ACT FAST & CALL 9-1-1 IMMEDIATELY.
Service:  Sunday Morning: Worship 9:30 am, Sunday School 10:45 am

Looking Ahead...
Tuesday, May 1—Hannah Circle (2:00 pm)
Saturday, May 5—All Church Work Day (8:00-12:00)
Saturday, May 5—Youth Indy Zoo Trip (10:00 am)
Saturday, May 5—ABWM May Tea & General Meeting (1:00 pm)
Wednesday, May 9—Four Seasons Mending (9:00 am)
Thursday, May 10—Home School Music Concert (6:00 pm)
Sunday, May 13—5K Planning Team (11:45 am)
Tuesday, May 15—Newsletter Deadline
Tuesday, May 15—Health Care Team (10:00 am)
Thursday, May 17—Handbell Demo & Hands-On Workshop (10:00 am)
Friday, May 18—Emmaus Gathering (6:00 pm)
Sunday, May 20—Congregational Worship Conversation (light lunch provided) (11:45 am)
Tuesday, May 22—Worship Task Force (6:00 pm)
Tuesday, May 22—Abigail Circle Salad Supper at Wheelers’ home (6:00 pm)
Thursday, May 24—Church Council (7:00 pm)
Saturday, May 26—Graduation Open House for Lucy Cash (2:00-4:00 pm)
Sunday, May 27—Graduation & Promotion Sunday
Sunday, May 27—Coffee Fellowship (hosted by Young Adults & Youth)
Monday, May 28—Memorial Day—Church Office Closed

The Body of Christ Prays For... Home Bound Members: Betty Euler, Roselyn Hoff. Also remember: K.M. George, Corbie Snyder, Dick Crowley, Sharon Semer, Allen Rea, Cecil & Linda Workman, Mary Garten, Anna DeHaven, Bonnie McKay, Carl & Nancy Williams, Marcia Battle, Alvin Arbuckle, Helen Murdock.