

Love God, Love Louisburg, Serve the World

AUGUST 2025

FBC



**Think of it as weekly VBS!**  
Ages 3-5th grade

The community of Louisburg and surrounding area are invited to participate in AWANA—an exciting time of fun with a purpose.

**Starts August 21**  
**Thursdays—6:15pm-7:50pm**

Easy to use sign up forms for clubbers and volunteers can also be found on church website.



# CALENDAR FOR THIS MONTH

## On-Going Calendar Events

**M-W-F—3:00 PM-4:00 PM—Hundred Acre Woods Walkers**

**Every Monday—AA Meeting—7:00 PM**

**Every Wed. (starts 8/20)—LHS Cats For Christ—7:50 AM**

**Every Wednesday—Youth Group—6:00 PM-7:30 PM**

**Every Wednesday—1st Service Praise Team—7:00 PM**

**Every Thursday (starts 8/21)—AWANA—6:15 PM-7:50 PM**

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1

*KAMI MINOR BECAME OUR ASSOCIATE PASTOR 6 YRS AGO TODAY*

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

### REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE—

**8:15 AM—WORSHIP**

**9:45 AM—SUNDAY BIBLE CLASSES  
(YOUTH & ADULT ELECTIVES)**

**11:00 AM—WORSHIP & KIDS' KONNECTION**

**12:15 PM—Deaconess Meeting**

**2:00 PM—Baby Shower for Taylor Neal**

MONDAY, AUGUST 4

**12:00 PM-5:00 PM—Crafter's Corner—FLC**

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5

**12:00 PM—Women's Bookworm Café—Youth Room  
(Martha—Taylor)**

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6

**9:00 AM—LMA Pastors' Prayer**

**1:00 PM—Pastor Kami at Kid's Day Camp—Youthfront**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10

### REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE—(see August 3)

**3:00 PM—AWANA Staff Training**

MONDAY, AUGUST 11

**6:30 PM—Deacon Meeting**

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12

**6:00 PM-8:00 PM—AWANA info booth at Broadmoor Elem.**

**Back to School night**

**7:00 PM—Christian Ed & Trustee Meetings**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17

### REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE—(see August 3)

**6:00 PM—Backyard BBQ**

MONDAY, AUGUST 18

**1:30 PM—ADK Sorority (southeast corner classroom)**

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19

*DEADLINE FOR SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER*

**11:30 AM—Koinonia Cluster Pastors' Prayer**

**6:15 PM—Finance Committee**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

**7:30 AM- 2:00 PM—AWANA Training Conference -  
Gladstone, MO**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

### REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE (see August 3)

MONDAY, AUGUST 25

**6:30 PM—Building Committee**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31

**5TH SUNDAY OFFERING TO BENEFIT AGAPE FOOD PANTRY**

### REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE (see August 3)



Every month has its rhythms and milestones, but August stands apart.

It marks the biggest shift we see all year—not just in schedules, **but in hearts, homes, and hopes.**

Why? Because it's back-to-school season.

Whether you're a parent or grandparent, a teacher or neighbor, you can feel the shift in the air. The beach towels get packed away, alarm clocks get set again, and backpacks are lined up at the door. In a span of just a few days, everything changes—for our kids and grandkids most of all.

This isn't just a logistical transition. It's emotional. **It's spiritual.**

- ♦ A little kindergartner walking into a big school for the first time, clutching mom's hand with wide, unsure eyes.
- ♦ - A sixth grader navigating lockers and new social circles, hoping not to get lost—literally or emotionally.
- ♦ - A high school senior realizing it's their *last* first day, caught between the excitement of the future and the ache of leaving childhood behind.

We also know not all these moments are joyful. Some kids return to school carrying the weight of **anxiety, loneliness, or brokenness** from home. Some feel **pressure to perform, to fit in, to be someone they're not.** Some are already facing **bullying or struggling** with **mental health issues** that don't get better just because summer ends.

And yet—this is also a time filled with **potential.** Classrooms filled with opportunity. Hallways that echo with laughter and new friendships. Teachers who love fiercely and pour themselves out daily. Youth groups gearing up for another year of growing and discipling the next generation.

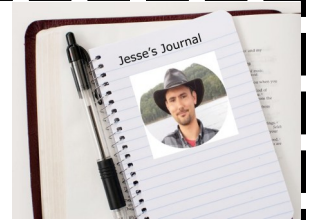
**This is why August is *the time to PRAY.***

Before the first bell rings, let's be a people who surround our students, teachers, school staff, and families in prayer. **Let's pray for protection**—for safety in every hallway and on every bus. **Pray for courage**—for students to stand strong in their faith and for educators to be salt and light. **Pray for peace**—for anxious hearts to be stilled and for homes to be places of stability.

Back to school is more than just a return to classrooms. **It's a return to mission.**

Let's meet this season with open eyes, tender hearts, and knees bent in prayer.

Jesse



Wait! Is it August already? Where did the summer go?



I must say I enjoyed every minute! Summer is when I get to do some of my favorite things! I got to go to ABW conference, hang out with AB G.I.R.L.S., and have extra time with the youth. I also saw God do great things at several summer camps, and of course, what is summer without VBS?

So what's next? I "AWANA" tell you! There's more fun coming for kids this Fall! It's time to gear up for our biggest school year outreach - AWANA!

There are lots of ways to be a part.

Our most powerful tool is prayer. Think of it - the same God that spoke and the world leapt into existence is listening to our prayers! Let's boldly petition the gates of Heaven on behalf of our little ones!

Volunteer! Yes, YOU can easily be a verse listener! The verse is in front of you and you simply help the clubbers sign off the verses they know. Be ready to make some new best friends and get lots of smiles! (one might even be yours!)

Support us financially. We charge a minimal fee to be a part of AWANA to cover uniforms, books, awards, snacks, and other materials. Some families find it challenging to pay even this small amount. Any financial support that can be offered is VERY MUCH appreciated. We refuse to turn any child away due to financial challenges.

So happy Fall y'all! May this new season bring more workers than ever into the field so ripe for harvest!

Kami

2025—Our Bible Reading Plan will again be coming from *The One Year® Bible* published by Tyndale.

*The One Year® Bible* daily reading plan consists of passages from the Old Testament, New Testament, Psalms, and Proverbs. This arrangement of Scripture brings variety and a fresh approach to each day's 15-minute reading, while providing a clear understanding of the Bible's larger message. No other "through the bible" plan presents the entire bible in such a user-friendly format.

Purchase your own copy of *The One Year® Bible* or just follow along in your own Bible.

## AUGUST

	Old Testament	New Testament	Psalms	Proverbs
□ 01	2 Chronicles 30:1-31:21	Romans 15:1-22	Psalms 25:1-15	Proverbs 20:13-15
□ 02	2 Chronicles 32:1-33:13	Romans 15:23-16:9	Psalms 25:16-22	Proverbs 20:16-18
□ 03	2 Chronicles 33:14-34:33	Romans 16:10-27	Psalms 26:1-12	Proverbs 20:19
□ 04	2 Chronicles 35:1-36:23	1 Corinthians 1:1-17	Psalms 27:1-6	Proverbs 20:20-21
□ 05	Ezra 1:1-2:70	1 Corinthians 1:18-2:5	Psalms 27:7-14	Proverbs 20:22-23
□ 06	Ezra 3:1-4:23	1 Corinthians 2:6-3:4	Psalms 28:1-9	Proverbs 20:24-25
□ 07	Ezra 4:24-6:22	1 Corinthians 3:5-23	Psalms 29:1-11	Proverbs 20:26-27
□ 08	Ezra 7:1-8:20	1 Corinthians 4:1-21	Psalms 30:1-12	Proverbs 20:28-30
□ 09	Ezra 8:21-9:15	1 Corinthians 5:1-13	Psalms 31:1-8	Proverbs 21:1-2
□ 10	Ezra 10:1-44	1 Corinthians 6:1-20	Psalms 31:9-18	Proverbs 21:3
□ 11	Nehemiah 1:1-3:14	1 Corinthians 7:1-24	Psalms 31:19-24	Proverbs 21:4
□ 12	Nehemiah 3:15-5:13	1 Corinthians 7:25-40	Psalms 32:1-11	Proverbs 21:5-7
□ 13	Nehemiah 5:14-7:73	1 Corinthians 8:1-13	Psalms 33:1-11	Proverbs 21:8-10
□ 14	Nehemiah 7:73-9:21	1 Corinthians 9:1-18	Psalms 33:12-22	Proverbs 21:11-12
□ 15	Nehemiah 9:22-10:39	1 Corinthians 9:19-10:13	Psalms 34:1-10	Proverbs 21:13
□ 16	Nehemiah 11:1-12:26	1 Corinthians 10:14-33	Psalms 34:11-22	Proverbs 21:14-16
□ 17	Nehemiah 12:27-13:31	1 Corinthians 11:1-16	Psalms 35:1-16	Proverbs 21:17-18
□ 18	Esther 1:1-3:15	1 Corinthians 11:17-34	Psalms 35:17-28	Proverbs 21:19-20
□ 19	Esther 4:1-7:10	1 Corinthians 12:1-26	Psalms 36:1-12	Proverbs 21:21-22
□ 20	Esther 8:1-10:3	1 Corinthians 12:27-13:13	Psalms 37:1-11	Proverbs 21:23-24
□ 21	Job 1:1-3:26	1 Corinthians 14:1-17	Psalms 37:12-29	Proverbs 21:25-26
□ 22	Job 4:1-7:21	1 Corinthians 14:18-40	Psalms 37:30-40	Proverbs 21:27
□ 23	Job 8:1-11:20	1 Corinthians 15:1-28	Psalms 38:1-22	Proverbs 21:28-29
□ 24	Job 12:1-15:35	1 Corinthians 15:29-58	Psalms 39:1-13	Proverbs 21:30-31
□ 25	Job 16:1-19:29	1 Corinthians 16:1-24	Psalms 40:1-10	Proverbs 22:1
□ 26	Job 20:1-22:30	2 Corinthians 1:1-11	Psalms 40:11-17	Proverbs 22:2-4
□ 27	Job 23:1-27:23	2 Corinthians 1:12-2:11	Psalms 41:1-13	Proverbs 22:5-6
□ 28	Job 28:1-30:31	2 Corinthians 2:12-17	Psalms 42:1-11	Proverbs 22:7
□ 29	Job 31:1-33:33	2 Corinthians 3:1-18	Psalms 43:1-5	Proverbs 22:8-9
□ 30	Job 34:1-36:33	2 Corinthians 4:1-12	Psalms 44:1-8	Proverbs 22:10-12
□ 31	Job 37:1-39:30	2 Corinthians 4:13-5:10	Psalms 44:9-26	Proverbs 22:13



In celebration and recognition of Independence Day, the **FBC HOLIDAY CHOIR** blessed the congregation with their rendition of "Hear Our Prayer with America, the Beautiful" on Sunday morning, July 6. On the following Sunday, July 13, the group travelled to Vintage Park and Louisburg Care Center and sang for the residents in addition to bringing a devotion to them.

On Sunday, July 13, our church family gathered for an **OLD FASHIONED HYMN SING AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL**. It was so uplifting to fellowship together and sing some of our all time favorite hymns. Individuals requesting hymns were also given the chance to share the reason their particular selection was meaningful to them. So, the occasion also became a time of testimony and praise!!!

On July 15, several of our ladies attended the **ABW SUMMER RALLY** at Olathe FBC. The event welcomed American Baptist women and their husbands to enjoy a time of fun and fellowship which included a lively corn hole tournament, a deli sandwich dinner and a delightful concert by a barbershop choir. Louisburg was especially pleased to take home the banner for the most in attendance!

On Sunday, July 20, following a single worship service, **JULY'S BACKYARD BBQ** was held in the Family Life Center. While the outdoors was experiencing heat and humidity, close to 88° with a feels like temp of 93°, lots of folks were enjoying cool temps and delicious food in the comfort of the air conditioning. Board games were offered post meal to the indoor crowd.

**IT'S CAMP SEASON!** Pastor Kami has been at Youthfront Camp once a week all summer sharing that the "gift" of Jesus' "presence" is better than any "present" as part of their camp's Christmas theme. ABCCR camp also just finished for the year. Louisburg had campers at both the Middle/High School and Junior camps. Pastor Kami, Carson Mawhirter, Jacob Bonecutter, Del Jo Broadrick, Kiff Sarver, and Kim Manson (and more) were all on hand for a wonderful week exploring how an "Epic Fail" can be used by God for His glory.





Thanks for all you do!



To Increase God's Glory  
Everywhere Regardless

**FRIDAY,  
AUGUST 1  
KAMI MINOR  
JOINED OUR  
PASTORAL STAFF  
6 YEARS AGO  
TODAY**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 3  
2:00 PM**

All women of the church are invited to a baby shower for Taylor & Brance Neal and their coming baby girl. Amazon baby registry under: (Taylor Neal; Louisburg, KS; arrival August 2025)



**MONDAY, AUGUST 4  
12:00 -5:00 PM  
CRAFTER'S CORNER**

**FAMILY LIFE CENTER**

Scrapbooking and all other crafting welcome (or just come and chat). Contact Debbie Randolph for more details.

**TUESDAY,  
JUNE 24  
12:00 PM**



**WOMEN'S BOOKWORM CAFÉ  
YOUTH ROOM**

Book to be reviewed:  
*Martha*  
by Diane Wallis Taylor

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**SUNDAY,  
AUGUST 10  
3:00 PM  
AWANA**

**VOLUNTEER (MISSIONARY) TRAINING**

*Be a Guiding Light with AWANA!  
Join our volunteer team to impact  
young lives positively.*

*Help kids grow spiritually, make  
lifelong friends, and have fun along  
the way. Make a difference in your  
community.*

*Volunteer with AWANA!*

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 12  
6:00-8:00 PM  
AWANA**

**INFO BOOTH AT BES BACK TO  
SCHOOL NIGHT**

Check with Kami if you would like  
to help spread the word on AWANA



**TO BENEFIT**



**SUNDAY,  
AUGUST 31  
5TH SUNDAY  
OFFERING TO  
BENEFIT AGAPE  
FOOD PANTRY**  
Just mark your  
check or offering  
envelope for  
Agape Food  
Pantry.





And because kids matter to our church!

**AWANA** is a program that enriches all the lives it touches. From the 3 year olds finding themselves in maybe their first organized group, to the grandparents cheering the kids on and listening to them recite verses, there is a place for every person in the church.

**PRAYER** is, of course, essential to the success of this outreach.

**FINANCES** can help offset cost of the program (Families are asked for \$30 registration per child which will cover books and uniforms. But, there are also lots of little things, which add up, not covered by registration fees—supplies, snacks, AWANA award badges, etc.) Maybe you could help cover the gaps?

**VOLUNTEERS**—you’ve heard the phrase it takes a village to raise a child? The same holds true for AWANA. Many folks are needed to help our kids succeed. AWANA is mostly a ministry of presence. Teaching positions have been covered, but older students and adults need to be here to add structure and a listening ear to let our kids know they are a valuable asset to the family of God. Even 20 minutes of your time on a Thursday night means a lot to the kids.

## Kids' Connection

SUNDAYS  
(SECOND SERVICE ONLY)  
KIDS' KONNECTION  
KIDS K THRU 5TH GRADE



YOUTH GROUP  
(GRADES 6-12)  
WEDNESDAYS  
6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Don't miss food, friends and fun as we explore what the Bible has to say to us today.



AWANA STARTS AUGUST 21  
THURSDAYS

6:15 PM-7:50 PM

KIDS AGE 3 THRU 5TH GRADE

A VBS like experience every  
Thursday evening  
Fun, Bible Lessons,  
Bible Memorization

**VOLUNTEERS WELCOME!!**

Check with Pastor Kami to see where you can help 816-916-KAMI (5264).



## FIRST BAPTIST BAKERY & BUFFET

### GENERAL TSO'S CHICKEN

from the kitchen of Jordan & Jesse Smith

#### BAKED CHICKEN:

- 3 chicken breasts
- 1½ cups flour
- 3 eggs—whisked
- 2¼ cups Panko

1. Preheat oven to 400°. Line baking sheet with foil and spray with nonstick.
2. Cube chicken, toss in flour, then whisked eggs. Finally toss in Panko. Coat evenly with each ingredient. Place on baking sheet and bake in oven until golden and crispy (10-12 minutes).

#### SAUCE:

- Handful diced broccoli
- ½ cup brown sugar
- ½ cup soy sauce
- ½ cup orange juice
- ¼ cup + 2 Tbs rice vinegar
- 1 to 3 tsp sriracha (according to taste)
- 3 tsp minced garlic
- 1½ tsp ginger
- ¼ cup + 2 Tbs vegetable oil
- ½ onion diced
- 3 Tbs cornstarch
- ¾ cup cold water

1. Whisk together brown sugar, soy sauce, orange juice, rice vinegar, sriracha and ginger in a bowl.
2. Heat vegetable oil and sauté onion. When onion is almost done, add the garlic.
3. Add broccoli and sauce mixture to pan. Cook until it begins to bubble.
4. In a bowl combine COLD water and cornstarch. Mix until no clumps. Pour slurry into sauce mixture and bring back to a boil, turn off heat once thickened.
5. Combine sauce with baked chicken. Enjoy.

## ABW Bible Book of the Month

### Exodus

The Book of Exodus is the second book of the Bible and continues the narrative from Genesis. It begins with the Israelites living in Egypt, where they have grown into a large nation. A new Pharaoh, who does not remember Joseph, enslaves them out of fear and imposes harsh labor. Despite Pharaoh's efforts, including a decree to kill all newborn Hebrew boys, one child—Moses—is miraculously saved and raised in Pharaoh's household.

God calls Moses through a burning bush and sends him back to Egypt to confront Pharaoh and lead the Israelites to freedom. Pharaoh resists, so God sends ten devastating plagues upon Egypt. After the final plague—the death of the firstborn—Pharaoh allows the Israelites to leave. This event is commemorated by the Passover, which becomes a key tradition in Jewish faith.

As the Israelites flee, Pharaoh changes his mind and pursues them. God parts the Red Sea, allowing the Israelites to cross safely and then drowns the Egyptian army. In the wilderness, the Israelites begin their journey to the Promised Land, but they quickly grumble and complain. God provides for them with manna from heaven, quail, and water from a rock.

At Mount Sinai, God gives the Israelites the Ten Commandments and other laws, forming a covenant that defines them as His chosen people. The people agree to obey, but soon break the covenant by worshiping a golden calf. Moses intercedes on their behalf, and God renews the covenant.

The rest of Exodus details instructions for building the Tabernacle, a portable sanctuary where God's presence will dwell with His people. The book ends with the completion of the Tabernacle and the glory of the Lord filling it, symbolizing God's ongoing guidance and presence with Israel.

Key themes include:

- God's power and faithfulness
- Deliverance and redemption
- Covenant and law
- Worship and God's presence among His people



## Compassion International Children sponsored by FBC

Ashirafu Ausi Hamidu—11 years old  
Tanzania, East Africa

March 15, 2025 from Ashirafu

Thank you for your love. God bless you for the love you show me. Thank you so much. I pray that God would bless you very much. I'm happy to receive your letter. Christmas to me was very nice. I enjoyed the birthday of Jesus. I'm very happy that you sent me Bible verses together with stickers.



God bless you very much indeed. I'm happy also to hear about your dog Sunny, which has brown and white colors. We also love you and wish you all the best. I have attached stickers on this letter. I hope that you will like them.

Norma Isabel Atupana Paza—will be 15 years old on August 17  
Calancha, Ecuador

January 26, 2025 from Norma

I want to send you a cordial greeting with a big hug from a distance. I want to thank you for the Christmas gift. Let me tell you that I am doing very well in my studies. I get good grades, and my favorite subject is chemistry. I hope to keep advancing with my studies so I can get into college later. I would like to study medicine. I want to finish my studies and support my parents. I'm thinking about buying them a house in the future.



To answer your question, the animals I have in the countryside are dogs, cats, and a bunny. My favorite animal is the bunny. Sasha is no longer in this world. It was five years old and brown.

With these words, I say goodbye. I hope you take care and have the best of times. Much love, Norma. Please pray for: my family and my studies. I would like to ask you: how old are you?

[Jean Pierce corresponds, on behalf of the church, with both of the children sponsored by the church. Thank you Jean!]

# AUGUST Birthdays

August 1	Masha Kasych Gin Morris	August 18	Bob McClintock
August 3	Ellie Davis Jaidyn Lake	August 19	Aaron Beaver Kate Langmade
August 4	Margaret Cottrell	August 24	Nancy Schmidt
August 5	Garrett Johnson Jack York	August 25	Emma Smith
August 7	Joe Keefhaver	August 26	Judy Kelly
August 10	Adrienne Morris Allison Apple Lidiia Kasych Sue Knop	August 27	Cindy Margrave
August 11	Larry Bunce Clay Henningsen	August 29	Mike Bergman Denise Lake
August 12	Audrey Beaver	August 30	Avery Morris Dave Schaumburg
August 16	Bobby Bovaird	August 31	Pat Apple
August 17	Alethea Parscale Cindy McClintock Larysa Kasich		

We try to include those who are actively attending our church; please let us know if we have missed your special day.



*Marsha & Marty Phillips—August 5*  
*Abby & Alex Prettyman - August 7*  
*Alethea & Steve Parscale - August 17*  
*Mary & Dave Schaumburg - August 20*  
*Amy & Shane Hall—August 28*



**Remembering**  
*An Anniversary This Month*

*Carolyn & Don Meek*  
*were married on August 14, 1960.*  
*Carolyn passed on March 27, 2024.*  
*They shared over 63 years together.*

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**SUNDAY WORSHIP**  
**8:15 AM & 11:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE**  
**9:45 AM BIBLE CLASSES**

Aug. 19—Deadline for Sept. Newsletter

in person  
**ATTENDANCE**

	<u>8:15</u>	<u>11:00</u>
July 6	50	57
July 13	68	57
July 20	One Service—109	
July 27	55	77



**SUNDAY, AUGUST 3**  
12:15 PM—Deaconesses

**MONDAY, AUGUST 11**  
6:30 PM - Deacons

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 12**  
7:00 PM - Christian Education &  
Trustee Boards

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 19**  
6:15 PM - Finance Committee

**MONDAY, AUGUST 25**  
7:00 PM—Building Committee

**WILL YOU ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE?**

Wouldn't it be great to keep the Operation Christmas Child spirit going all year long? We can! It's simple. It's convenient, and it's relatively painless! All you do is set your mind up to build online boxes each month all year long! They only cost \$30 (the price of one meal out or a few treats at the movie) and you don't even have to shop or pack the box!

Think about it. Would you truly miss \$30 each month? I know I spend that much on silly things, things that don't last, all the time. The impact of these boxes is eternal.

So, I challenge you to join me this year in sending at least one box each month. Use this QR code or the link on the church website to get started. ~KAMI

(As of 7/28, as a church we have done 35 boxes towards the 2025 goal of 100 boxes; can we do even more?)



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