

IMMANUEL LIGHT



Photo by Ellen Mundy Ford

Hymn Sing & Dinner on the Grounds July 31st

For the 5th Sunday in July, the staff wanted to create a service that would celebrate the abundance of summer and build on the positive feelings generated in May with the congregational sing of *Celebrate Life!*

Worship on July 31st at our usual time of 10:30am will consist of a Hymn Sing of gospel favorites followed by a congregational meal prepared by our own Stephen Wilkerson that will utilize home-grown produce of the season.

Church staff recently reviewed work done by IBC's renewal team that began meeting in October 2013. This group developed our Vision and Mission Statements (approved in 2014 and 2015, respectively), and guided the congregation as a whole in crafting goals to fulfill the various components of our guiding statements.

One of the goals developed in light of our mission to "deepen our love for God and others," was "plan alternative worship experiences." We hope that the Celebrating the Seasons worship services this year have contributed to the fulfillment of this congregational vision.

In January, the staff announced that we would be offering specially designed creative worship experiences in 2022 during those months that have a 5th Sunday: one for each of the major seasons of the year.

Our Summer 5th Sunday takes place July 31st and continues our 2022 theme of Celebrating the Seasons.

Our final 5th Sunday service will take place October 30th.

FROM THE BAKER FAMILY

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the phone calls and cards after the passing of Lauren's father.

Your prayers have truly sustained us during this difficult time.

Grover, Lauren, Josiah, and Samuel Baker



MATTHEW GROVES TO LEAD COMBINED SUNDAY SCHOOL SERIES

Guest teacher Matthew Groves will lead a Sunday School series about Faith and Creation for three Sundays beginning July 31st. The Youth class and all adult classes will meet together July 31st, August 7th, August 14th. The combined classes will meet in the Chapel.

LOOKING AHEAD

**CREATION & FAITH
SUNDAY SCHOOL**

JULY 31, AUG 7 & 14

FALL WEDNESDAYS

BEGIN

AUGUST 3

**FIRST GRADE BIBLE
PRESENTATION**

SEPTEMBER 21

**TCBF GENERAL
ASSEMBLY**

SEPTEMBER 16-17

Mr. Groves is a science teacher, seminary graduate, and climate activist from Appalachia living in Nashville. He uses his background in both science and ministry to help bring harmony to conversations often known for conflict. Mr. Groves is a fellow teacher of IBC member Sonia Higdon, who recommended his teaching series on this topic.

He serves on the steering committees of Young Evangelicals for Climate Action and the Tennessee chapter of Interfaith Power and Light. Mr. Groves has been featured on NPR's All Things Considered and writes about climate change and other science and faith topics. Learn more at matthewdgroves.com



July Birthdays

JULY 1

DOT WARREN

JULY 6

YVONNE CHRISTOPHER
TIM STEWART

JULY 7

CHARLES MARTIN

JULY 10

HAGEN SELF

JULY 11

JILL COOPER

JULY 12

LUCAS GORE

JULY 13

LYDIA BURR

JULY 15

STEVE TATE

JULY 19

JIM AUER
BARBARA LUTZ

JULY 21

DOROTHY STEEN

JULY 23

CHRISTY FIELDS
HALEY GALL
MARK VICK

JULY 26

MATTHEW FISHER



NOTES FROM PASTOR STEPHANIE

Pastor Stephanie will be on vacation July 24–28.

Congrats!

Pastor Stephanie is one of twenty ministers selected for the 2022–2024 Mentoring Cohort for Baptist Women in Ministry. As part of this program, Pastor Stephanie will be traveling to North Carolina for a BWIM retreat from July 31 to August 3.



In-person **volunteering opportunities** are now available with Luke 14:12.

Please contact Melanie Dover at mmd78@bellsouth.net for more information.

Please bring your individually wrapped desserts by **Sunday, July 17th** and drop them off in the kitchen. Remember to write the number of desserts you prepared on the bag or box you deliver them in. To sign up or to ask questions contact Pastor Stephanie at swyatt@ibcnashville.org or 615-297-5356. *Thank you!*

PASSPORTKIDS 2022 SNAPSHOTS



Top L–R: Hagen and Craig Self at lunch; Lyla Gnetz in her Passport headband & Berea T-shirt; Sims and Co. tossing hoops; Craig and Vickie Vu in Costume. Bottom: Geneva at Rec Party; Happy Birthday Passport with Nora Beth Humphries and Peter Vu; Jack Newman at Night Market, Hagen Self singing 9 to 5 as Dolly Parton for Variety Show.



July Birthdays (Continued)

JULY 26
MATTHEW FISHER

JULY 30
BILL FLEMING

JULY 31
ADAM MAXWELL
JON COOPER

July Dates of Note

JULY 12–13
SPY PARABLES VBS
FELLOWSHIP HALL
5PM–8PM

JULY 14TH
VBS WATERNIGHT
4PM–8PM
PLAYGROUND AREA

JULY 24TH
BONE THERAPY IN
WORSHIP

JULY 31ST
MATTHEW GROVES LEADS
SUNDAY SCHOOL ON TOPIC
OF FAITH & CREATION

JULY 31ST
5TH SUNDAY
CELEBRATE SUMMER
GOSPEL SING AND DINNER
ON THE GROUNDS

Passportkids 2022



Last Day Group Photo with Passport Staffers

Kneeling- Hagen Self; Middle L-R - Lyla Gnetz, Sims Crownover, Bennett Jarnigan, Nora Beth Humphries, Vickie Vu, Jack Newman, Melissa Clouse, and Campbell Gnetz; Back Row: Passport Staffers Matthew & McKenzie, Peter Vu, and former IBC Youth Minister Andrew Tonks.

Thursday- Variety Show

The IBC kids love to perform! We contributed three different acts to the variety show including a show-stopping version of Dolly Parton's 9 to 5 sung by Hagen Self, a duet by Nora Beth Humphries and Melissa Clouse, and a group skit that finished off the show to great applause. Campers were invited to wear costumes that corresponded to the evening's theme of "decades."



Wednesday - Night Market

L-R: Bennett Jarnigan, Jack Newman, and Melissa Clouse play games as part of our learning about different cultures. This year we learned about educational ministries in Kenya, Romania, and Appalachia.

Several children contributed to the week's mission offering with money saved from their allowances.



Campers included: Melissa Clouse, Sims Crownover, Lyla Gnetz, Campbell Gnetz, Nora Beth Humphries (Pastor Stephanie's niece), Bennett Jarnigan, Jack Newman, Hagen Self, Geneva Wilkerson. Pastor Stephanie Wyatt and Craig Self chaperoned.