

# The First Baptist Informer Rockingham, North Carolina

“To know Christ and make Him known.”

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Monday, April 20, 2014:

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Monday, April 27, 2014:

Sally Pierce, Beverly Carnes

#### Attendance Report

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Sunday, Mar 9, 2014

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Sunday School-75

Worship Services-108

Worship Services-88

Sunday, Mar 16, 2014

Sunday, Mar 23, 2014

Sunday School-84

Sunday School-88

Worship Services-98

Worship Services-111

#### Serving on Sunday, April 6, 2014

Ushers: Kenneth Robinette, Steve Bullard, Ric Buckner, Dale Ormsby, Steve McIver, Steve Morris

Nursery: John and Monica Yates

2s & 3s: Peggy Scott

Children's Church: Angela Cockerton

Security: Chris McDuffie

Deacons of the Week: Chris McDuffie, John Ray

#### Serving on Sunday, April 13, 2014

Ushers: Kenneth Robinette, Steve Bullard, Ric Buckner, Dale Ormsby, Steve McIver, Steve Morris

Nursery: Cynthia Morris

2s & 3s: Virginia Auman

Children's Church: Debbie & Steve McIver

Security: John Ray

Deacons of the Week: Kenneth Robinette, Flo Aiken

#### Serving on Sunday, April 20, 2014

Ushers: Kenneth Robinette, Steve Bullard, Ric Buckner, Dale Ormsby, Steve McIver, Steve Morris

Nursery: Sallie Ormsby

2s & 3s: Nan Bates

Children's Church: Linda Teal

Security: Graham Jenkins

Deacons of the Week: Charles Harrill, J.C. Lamm

#### Serving on Sunday, April 27, 2014

Ushers: Kenneth Robinette, Steve Bullard, Ric Buckner, Dale Ormsby, Steve McIver, Steve Morris

Nursery: Elaine Davis

2s & 3s: John and Beth Ray

Children's Church: Jennifer Byrd

Security: Steve McIver

Deacons of the Week: Judy McEntire, Steve McIver

## Celebrate the Risen Christ



with your church family on Easter Sunday.  
**He is not here. He is risen!**



**Lenten Services**  
**April 14 - 16**  
**12:00 - 1:00 pm daily**

**First United Methodist  
Church**

**A light lunch will follow each service**

**Speakers will include:**

**Rev. Jim Nelson, Monday, April 14**

**Rev. Dwight Williams, Tuesday, April 15**

**Rev. Mike Sykes, Wednesday, April 16**

**Join your community in worship as we prepare for  
Easter.**



## Happy Birthday!



4/1 Tracy McIver  
 4/2 Pat Watson  
 4/2 Don Auman  
 4/4 J.C. Lamm  
 4/6 Patsy Jenkins  
 4/6 Sally Pierce  
 4/6 Tess Ann Jones  
 4/9 Betty Evans  
 4/11 Bonnie Barnes  
 4/12 Charles Joyner  
 4/12 Candice Cox  
 4/14 Bobbie Sue Ormsby  
 4/14 Allison Griffis  
 4/19 Jeanne Olive  
 4/23 Robbie Taylor  
 4/24 Mae Yates  
 4/26 Jason Buckner  
 4/30 Mary Carter  
 4/30 Ric Buckner  
 4/30 Rebecca Morgan



In 1957 a song entitled “What a Difference a Day Makes” was published. Not only did the song sell 2 million copies, but it also declared an obvious truth: any given day can and does make a difference - a life changing difference in our lives. Think of those days in your life - good or bad - which have made a difference and changed your life ... the day you got your driver’s license, the day you were accepted to the university, the day you landed a job, the day you met your spouse, the day your first child was born, the day

Jesus became your Savior.

What about the days which have not only changed your life, but history itself ... a day in 1492 when Columbus discovered the New World; December 7, 1941 when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor; August 6, 1945 when an atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima; September 11, 2001 when the war on terrorism began with the attack on the world trade center in New York City, the day in July 1969 when man walked on the moon, the day the computer was invented, or the day penicillin and the polio vaccines were discovered.

Without a doubt those are days which changed our lives, but for the Christian church, there are 3 days which have made the greatest impact and difference in the world: the day Jesus was born - the Incarnation; the day Jesus died for our sins - the Crucifixion; the day Jesus rose from the dead - the Resurrection. These are the days which have had the greatest impact on and have made the most positive difference in our lives. Because Jesus came into this world, died on the cross for our sins and was raised from the dead, regardless of what any other day brings - good or bad, blessing or cursing - we are assured of ultimate victory - God’s presence and power on earth and everlasting life in heaven. Because of those 3 days we can live life with peace, with joy and with hope.

So in these coming days let us be thankful for our Lord’s selfless sacrificial death and let us celebrate his victory over the grave! He is not here! He is risen!

# APRIL

## Tithes & Gifts

Giving Summary	February	Mar 2, 9 & 16
Gen. Fund	36,139	25,480
Chall. to Maint.	900	800
Mem. & Hon.	2,818	665
Radio Ministry	800	800
Pastor’s Benevolence	100	
Baptist Men		
First Light Service	100	250
Spring Missions		725
Katie Yates Fund		
<b>Total Gifts</b>	<b>40,857</b>	<b>28,720</b>

Budget req. to date 81,235  
 Gifts to date 94,868

YTD req. under actual gifts  
 13,633

% giving to req. 117%



## Baptist Men’s Breakfast

You’re invited to the Baptist Men’s Breakfast.  
 Sunday, April 13th at 8:30 am (S150)

## Terrific Tuesday Children’s Ministry

As a part of “Operation Inasmuch”, the children will go on a field trip on April 29th to the “Rockingham Manor”. We will share handmade gifts and will sing for the residents.



## JOIN OUR STUDY

**Something New!**  
 A new Wednesday night study will be available. In addition to the pastor’s Bible Study, a video driven study called “Women of Faith” will be available for those interested. It will be held in the church conference room. For more information contact Judy McEntire who will facilitate the study.

## Thank You!

Dear Church Family, How can we ever thank you for all you have done and continue to do for us as we make our way, with God's help, back to good health? Words cannot express our gratitude for your love and prayers during this time in our lives. Over the past four months, you have visited us, fed us, called to check on us, and even come to our rescue! We know that we are truly blessed to be a part of such a caring church family and that because of you and our wonderful neighbors and friends, we are making excellent progress. We especially thank Dr. Nelson for faithfully shepherding us through our surgeries and recuperation. We look forward to the day we can return to church and help those of you as well as our neighbors and friends throughout the community who might need us as we have needed you and them. Until then, thank you for living your faith and loving us. What a blessing you are! Our Love, Nora and Robert Smith.



## Special Easter Communion Service

We will have a Special Easter Communion Service on Wednesday, April 16th at 6:30 pm in the sanctuary to be preceded by our family night meal at 6:00 pm.



The men's choir will be singing on Sunday, March 30th. Please meet in the music suite at 10:30 am to rehearse two familiar hymns, "To God Be The Glory" and "I Know Whom I Have Believed". Kim Denison will be our guest soloist on April 6th.

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## Matthew 25:40

Just one day can make a difference! In one day working together, a garden can be planted, a wheelchair ramp can be built, a yard can be mowed, a meal can be prepared and delivered, a note of encouragement can be written and mailed, a prayer can be offered, a porch can be painted...a life can be changed! Inasmuch Day can spark spiritual renewal and a renewed vision for missions in the church! Saturday, April 26 is the day. Make plans now to participate. Several mission projects are being planned. There will be something for everyone to do—from children to senior adults. A list of projects will be posted in Sunday school classes and around the church. Sign up and be a part of a day which can make a difference in someone's life.

## Sympathy for the family of ...



*Mrs. Pearlle Melton*, sister-in-law of Hilda Auman, who passed away on March 15th

*Mrs. Sandy Leaird*, daughter of Carol Chappell, who passed away on March 15th

*Mr. Joseph "JoJo" Byers McGuire*, grandson of Carl and Grace Riggan, who passed away on March 15th

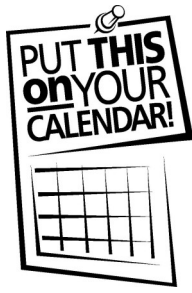


## Book Club

The Book Club meeting this month will be at Carolyn Bridgman's home on Friday, April 4. We will be reading the book, "First Phone Call from Heaven", written by Mitch Albrum. We will be discussing the book at our May meeting.

## Did You Know

- Christianity is the world's most widespread religion with 2.1 billion Christians.
- The Bible was written in 3 languages: Hebrew, Aramaic and Koine Greek.
- John was the only apostle who witnessed the crucifixion of Jesus.



## **DATES TO REMEMBER!**

- 4/7 Missions Committee Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 4/13 Men's Breakfast, 8:30 am
- 4/14-4/16 Lenten Services, First United Methodist Church, 12 - 1 pm daily
- 4/20 Easter Sunday
- 4/21 Finance Committee Meeting, 5:00 pm
- 4/26 Operation Inasmuch
- TBA - Children's Easter Program (date not set - check the bulletins for info)**

### **Beyond the Cross**

The Stations of the Cross is a tourist attraction in the Italian Alps. Visitors climb a mountain to stand beside an outdoor crucifix. One tourist noticed a trail that led beyond that cross. Fighting rough thick-  
et, she made her way down the small trail. She was surprised to find another shrine. Brush had nearly  
covered it. It was neglected because visitors had only gone as far as the cross. Too many have stopped  
at the cross. They haven't moved beyond its despair and heartbreak to find the real message of Easter:  
The empty tomb. - Lavon Brown

### **He Took the Sting**

A little boy and his father were playing catch. Suddenly a honeybee swarmed over the boy. The father  
reacted quickly. His son was highly allergic to bee stings. One sting could prove fatal. The boy cried  
out as the father grabbed for the honeybee and caught it in his hand. Then he let it go. "Dad!" the boy  
protested, "why did you let it go?" His father replied, "It's harmless now." "How do you know?" the  
son asked. "Look here, son," the father pointed to his hand, "I took the sting. The stinger is still in my  
hand." - James Hewett

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