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"To know Christ and make Him known"

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Monday, November 2, 2015
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Monday, November 9, 2015
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Monday, November 16, 2015
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Monday, November 23, 2015
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Monday, November 30, 2015
Judy McEntire, Gene Barnes

Attendance Report

Sunday, Oct 4, 2015	Sunday, Oct 11, 2015
Sunday School-72	Sunday School-67
Worship Service-90	Worship Service-92
Sunday, Oct 18, 2015	Sunday, Oct 25, 2015
Sunday School-72	Sunday School-70
Worship Service-91	Worship Service-80

Serving on Sunday, Nov 1, 2015

Nursery: Diane Stokes
2s & 3s: Claudia Robinette & Gabrielle Goodwin
Children's Church: Leah Melvin & Vivian Hilton

Serving on Sunday, Nov 8, 2015

Nursery: Virginia Auman
2s & 3s: Brenda Tyler & Judy Harris
Children's Church: Steve McIver

Serving on Sunday, Nov 15, 2015

Nursery: Elaine Wilson
2s & 3s: Terry and Susan Brown
Children's Church: Linda Byrd

Serving on Sunday, Nov 22, 2015

Nursery: Elaine Davis
2s & 3s: Steve McIver
Children's Church: Bobbie Sue Ormsby

Serving on Sunday, Nov 29, 2015

Nursery: Bobby Sue Ormsby
2s & 3s: Mandy Allen & Inell Allen
Children's Church: Corinne Watson

Fall Festival

Saturday, November 7, 2015

2:00 - 4:00 pm



Pumpkin Art



Sparky



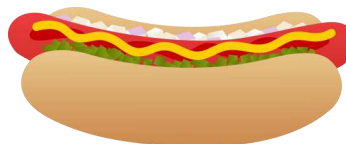
Cornhole



**Apple
Cake
Contest**



**Face
Painting**



Hotdogs

Come out and enjoy good fun,
good food, and good fellowship.
The community is invited.





A few weeks ago a faculty member at Gardner Webb University took a group of students on a mission trip to Charleston, SC, and on Sunday morning the group worshiped with their brothers and sisters at the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church. Certainly, all of us remember the tragedy and loss of life at this church when a gunman shot and killed several worshipers. No doubt, even with the passing of time their grief and pain are still very real. Yet, the opening hymn in that worship service was sung with obvious sincerity and great power. The words are familiar - "Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below, Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost." These believers who had experienced the unthinkable were still able to praise and thank God.

I'm reminded of the words of Paul when he said, "Give thanks in all circumstances for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." The fact is, regardless of our circumstances, no matter how things may seem, God is good; God is love; God is present with us to strengthen us, guide us, and lavish us with his grace.

Friend, thanksgiving is coming. As the day approaches may we express praise and thanksgiving to the God from whom all blessings flow! And as we count our blessings may we thank God for our country and for those veterans who have served our nation and put themselves in harms way for the benefit of us all. On Sunday, November 8th, we will be remembering all our veterans. In addition, we will be recognizing Sgt. Benjamin Bullard who was recently given the Army Commendation Medal for courage in battle in Afghanistan during an attack on October 1, 2012. Sgt. Bullard will be present with us on Wednesday evening, November 11th, which is Veterans Day.



Sometimes I feel like I say this every month, but it remains the same...time flies! It is difficult for me to believe that November is already here! While I'm thoroughly enjoying the Fall weather, it's crazy to think that Thanksgiving and Advent are right around the corner. I hope these days are treating you all gently and that the sun and cooler weather has been good for you!

Things are going well in the First Baptist world of children and youth. Wednesday nights we have begun a Stick Ministry with our children and youth. For those of you who spend time online, just search for "Stick Ministry," and you'll get a visual of what we're doing. It's proving to be quite fun! Sunday night D² with the youth is really going very well. I continue to be amazed at the depth of conversation that occurs in the youth house from 5:30-6:30 Sunday evenings. If you are interested in coming and seeing what this is all about, please talk to me!

I also wanted to let you all know that I will be teaching an Advent study during Sunday School starting November 29th. Please stay tuned for details! I'm certainly not looking to pull you from your Sunday School classes, but for those of you who do not regularly attend Sunday School, I would love for you to join me for this study during the last part of November and the first part of December!

Blessings to each of you this month, Patricia

Giving Summary	Sept 2015	Oct 4,11, 18, 2015
Gen. Fund	22,088	25,996
Chall. to Maint.	650	800
Memorials & Honor	1,565	610
Radio Ministry	900	850
N.C. Missions	25	
Katie Yates Fund	100	
Baptist Men/ Wheelchair Fund		150
Wed Fellowship Meals	508	165
Total Gifts	25,328	28,406
Budget req. to date	313,491	
Gifts to date	282,714	
YTD req. under actual gifts	(30,777)	
% giving to req.	90%	

Happy Birthday!	
11/1 Jennifer Byrd	11/14 Matt Harrelson
11/1 Michael Sessions	11/15 Inell Allen
11/4 Gene Coen	11/18 Richard McLendon
11/6 Hannah Crouse	11/18 Davis Hilton
11/7 Shirley Mills	11/20 Agnes Larsen
11/7 Steve McIver	11/20 Myra Dean
11/8 Judy McEntire	11/23 Mary Catherine Moree
11/11 Corey Bullard	11/25 Teresa Moree
11/12 Hal Shuler	11/26 Kenny Melvin
11/13 Carolyn Bridgman	11/28 George Crump
11/13 McKayla Ard	11/29 Hayley Kottwitz
11/14 Jason Coen	11/30 Boyd Taylor



No- vember

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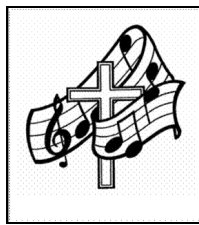
Willard and Pat Watson
46 Years

November 8

Mack and Ina Haigler
17 Years

November 10

Scott and Jill Emerson



Joseph Martin composes so many beautiful choral anthems. Adult choirs all over the world are singing his arrangements. Our Christmas music this year contains classic carols arranged by Joseph Martin. The children of our church and the congregation will take part in this presentation, celebrating the birth of Jesus.

Music and Worship Opportunities

- November 15 - Sandhills Ringers and Singers, 4 pm at FBC
- November 22 - Community Thanksgiving Service, 6 pm at FPC
- November 29 - Cameronian Quartet, 5 pm at FBC
- December 13 - Christmas Music, 5 pm at FBC



The Community Thanksgiving Service will be held on Sunday, November 22nd at First Presbyterian Church at 6:00 pm. Rev. Mike Sykes will be preaching.

Changing Lives One Soldier at a Time



As you recall from last fall the "Military Bible Stick" is an audio recording of the New Testament which soldiers can take with them even onto the battle field. The past couple of years they have been a great success and military chaplains are requesting thousands more this year. The cost is \$25.00 per Bible Stick. What a great way to support our military.



Carolina Flooding Disaster Relief

North Carolina Baptist Men Relief volunteers have been serving in Brunswick County, NC, Horry County, SC, and Florence County, SC assisting with recovery and feeding efforts. If you would like to give to help the Carolina flood victims, please make your check payable to NC Baptist Men, designated for Carolina Flooding Disaster Relief, and mail to: NC Baptist Men, Baptist State Convention, PO Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512. You can also give online at their website, www.baptistonmission.org or get the check to the church office and it will be mailed for you.



Volunteers are needed for the Fall Festival on Saturday, November 7th from 2-4 pm ...

- (1) to give 1 hour to help supervise the following: hayride, sack race, egg toss, beanbag toss, and cornhole.
- (2) to judge the Apple Cake bake-off and the Chili cook-off.

If you can help, please call the church office, ASAP.



A Thanksgiving Meal for our Community Neighbors

The Missions Committee will be sponsoring a Thanksgiving meal for our neighbors as we have done the past 3 years. The meal will be held on Thanksgiving day. We are looking for volunteers to help with: food purchasing and food preparation, greeting and welcoming guests, serving the meal, washing dishes and general clean up, and possibly delivering meals to the homebound. If you would be available to help in any of the ways mentioned above, please call the church office at 895-4016.

Specific needs: 5 turkeys, 3 cakes, 5 pies, dressing, green beans, rolls, and cranberry sauce.



Meals for Place of Grace

Volunteers are still needed to provide a meal for the Place of Grace Rescue Mission. Those interested are asked to provide a meal for 20-25 people. Contact Beth Ray at 910-997-3810.



The Sandhills Ringers and Singers

The Sandhills Ringers and Singers will be in concert at First Baptist Church on Sunday, November 15th at 4:00 pm. Selections will include "Battle Hymn of the Republic", "Stille Nacht" (Silent Night), Selections from Beauty and the Beast, "Praise to The Lord, the Almighty", and "The Syncopated Clock".



The Quarterly Business Meeting will convene after morning worship on November 8th. Written reports will be appreciated. The proposed budget for 2016 will be recommended for adoption.



- November 2 - In-Out Reach Meeting, 6 pm
- November 7 - Fall Festival, 2 pm - 4 pm
- November 8 - Quarterly Business Meeting, 12 noon
- November 11 - Veterans Day
- November 15 - Sandhills Ringers & Singers Concert, 4 pm
- November 16-23 - OCC National Collection Week, See Below.
- November 17 - Hospice (Light of Life) Service, in the sanctuary at 6 pm
- November 22 - Community Thanksgiving Service, FPC, 6 pm
- November 26 - Community Neighbors Thanksgiving Meal, 11 am - 2 pm
- November 29 - Cameronian Quartet Presentation, 5 pm
- November 29 - Beginning of Advent



**Operation Christmas Child (OCC)
National Collection Week
November 16 - 23, 2015**

**Monday–Saturday, Nov 16-21
10 am to 4 pm**
Sunday, Nov 22, 12 pm to 2 pm
Monday, Nov 23, 10 am to 12 pm

Inell Allen is the coordinator
for this mission project.
Volunteers are needed.
Please contact her at 910-895-9480.



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Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Smith

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Mr. and Mrs. Neal Cadieu
Mrs. Betty Matthews

Mrs. Jill Emerson

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Cadieu

Mrs. Judy McEntire

Mrs. Nancy McInnis

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Barnes

Anonymous

Sympathy for the family of ...

Mrs. Rene Cockerton

mother of Mark Cockerton
passed on September 3rd

Mr. John Mark Brigman

son of Sam and Anne Brigman
passed on September 10th



Mrs. Ruby Luncford

mother of Elaine Davis
passed on October 24th

Ms. Cindy Nelson Wall
granddaughter of Hazel Todd
passed on September 30th

