THE

MESSENGER

201 SOUTH BROADWAY FOREST CITY, NC 28043 828-245-5411



Saturday, April 28th 8:00 am Breakfast in the LEC

"Truly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these, you did it unto me."

Several projects are scheduled and your help is needed! Please call Calvin Spurlin at 289-2716 or Chester Melton at 429-0860 to get your name on the work list if you have a need or know of a need that could be met that day.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Lexie Hill, Profession of Faith

Ann Padgett, Statement of Faith

John Lewis, Statement of Faith

Church Staff

Dr. Bobby Gantt Pastor

Home Phone: 828-429-3893 pastor@florencechurch.net

Rev. Scott Haynes Minister of Music

Home Phone: 828-289-8362 music@florencechurch.net

Tonya Garrison Minister of Children

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Dianne Clayton Financial Assistant

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Tommy Wilson Custodian

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Harold Graham Custodial Assistant

IN THE HOSPITAL

Pat Jackson, Rutherford Regional

Andy Sims, Rutherford Regional

HOMEBOUND MEMBER OF THE WEEK

Earleen Douglas

Holly Springs Senior Center 1881 Big Island Road Rutherfordton, NC 28139

IN SYMPATHY

The Sue Wall Family

PREACHER B'S BE-ATTITUDES

The Staff Committee and Deacons unanimously recommend Ashlee Kallay as our part-time Church Hostess to begin her duties on Monday, April 30, 2018.

Ashlee is married to Craig, and they have two children, Adilyn and Braedyn. They live in Rutherfordton. Ashley works at East High School in the cafeteria.

Ashlee will be responsible for managing our Wednesday Evening Fellowship Suppers, our bereavement meals and for taking care of our kitchen.

We are very excited about Ashlee becoming part of our church staff. This is a part-time position, but it is a very important part of our work. Wednesday evenings are so important at Florence, and our bereavement ministry, our ministry to those who have lost loved ones, is one of the most important things we do as a church. All of us know that we are blessed with wonderful facilities including the LEC kitchen, and taking care of what God has given us is vitally important as well. We are confident Ashlee will do a great job in all of the above areas.

We ask you to pray about this recommendation this week and come prepared to vote on it Sunday night, April 29, at 6:00, in the Sanctuary. We also ask you to give Ashlee your full support.

On the Office Manager position, the Staff Committee continues in the interview phase of our work. As we said a few weeks ago, the Staff Committee is being very prayerful and diligent. We ask you to keep this in your prayers.

A note in closing! Psalm 118:24 reads, "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."

In today's <u>Daily Guideposts 2018</u>, Vicki Kuyper used Psalm 118:24 and then says, "...what I want is not always what I get in life...I can choose whether I'll live in a state of disappointment and discontent or search out the treasures hidden in the unexpected and imperfect."

It is raining this morning, and the prospects are for heavy rain today and tomorrow. It might be raining in your life or mine through the challenges that are coming our way, but please remember, "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it." And we do choose whether we will live in a state of disappointment or find the treasures God has for us today! Let's go treasure hunting!!!

Preacher B

SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 2018

Sunday School Attendance	272
General Fund	\$38,162.50
LightShine/Bldg. Fund	\$9,559.50
BackPack Program	\$218.00
Annie Armstrong	\$1,430.00
Lottie Moon	\$45.00
World Hunger	\$20.00
U.S. Hunger	\$20.00
Youth Trips	\$135.00

SUNDAY, APRIL 15, 2018

Sunday School Attendance	324
General Fund	\$14,385.59
LightShine/Bldg. Fund	\$27,649.00
BackPack Program	\$123.00
Annie Armstrong	\$85.00
Lottie Moon	\$25.00
Baptist Children's Homes	\$75.00
Baptist Retirement Homes	\$25.00
Mission Fund (Moldova)	300.00
Youth Trips	490.00

GIFTS TO THE BUILDING FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Margaret Rollins

Mike & Mary Jane Hinkle, Hugh & Mary Rachel Moore, Carl & Cassandra Parton, Mildred Hunsucker, Mike & Sandra Nanney, June Scruggs, Ruby Evans, Jan Songster, James & Beth Harmon, Patsy Champion, Joe & Barbara Freeman, Carolyn Smart, Edith Dula, Cheryl Anderson

Irene Rogers (Robert Rogers' mother)

Hugh & Mary Rachel Moore, Martha Jean McFarland, James & Beth Harmon, Phillip & Alpha White, Patsy Champion, Carolyn Smart, Virgil Webb SS Class, Cheryl Anderson, Shirley Hudson

J.B. Wall

Janet Bostic Kesterson

Johnny Womick

Joe & Barbara Freeman

Sue Wall

Martha Jean McFarland

Robert Robinson

Joe & Barbara Freeman, Mike & Vickie Campfield

Great-Grandchild of Mary Frances Moore

Martha Jean McFarland

Lillian Robertson

Tim & Linda Lovelace

Crystal Kay Scism

Jerry & Cynthia Yelton

Dot White

Mike & Vickie Campfield

Cary McFarland (passed away 4-20-96)

Martha Jean McFarland

GIFTS TO THE BUILDING FUND IN HONOR OF:

The 50th Wedding Anniversary of Mike & Susan Callahan

Joe & Chris Quinn, George Haynes, Wanda Teseniar, Chester & Glenda Melton, Darryl & Doris Maxwell

Pat Nanney Adult Handbell Choir Pat Jackson Adult Choir



30- Emily Garrison, Carl Parton, Dianne Weathers



Come and join us for a night of fellowship and digging into God's Word with a community of women. "Anchored" is a women's ministry for women of all ages. We will begin to

study the truths of what a Proverbs 31 woman looks like.
Young moms will connect with seasoned moms.
Young women will be encouraged by older women.
It will be a fun time of intermingling
the generations while studying God's Word.
Plus, we will have lots of laughter
and maybe some goodies.

Thursday, April 26th in the LEC gym 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Childcare is not provided at this time. Invite your friends from the community. Facilitated by: Allison Shamblin

WORDS OF THANKS

A special note of thanks from the family of Margaret Rollins.

Florence Church Family,

Thank you so much for the prayers, the bereavement meals, flowers, visits, and donations that were given before and after the loss of both our parents. You have been a blessing!

Family of J.B. & Sue Wall



Visit our new website www.florencestudents.com This site allows youth and parents to keep up to date with what we are studying on Wednesday and Sunday evenings. Also you can register for the upcoming spring events.

STATE BIBLE DRILL



Flint Hill Baptist Church Saturday, April 28th 10:00 am

You Are Invited to a

Mother & Daughter Tea Party



(or grandparent)
Saturday, May 12th, 2:00-3:00 pm
Ages 4 thru 6th Grade
Girls, come dressed in your best
Tea Party attire.
We will share some stories and celebrate Mother's Day together.

SUMMER CAMP:

July 31 - Aug. 3 (Tues.-Fri.) Children entering 3rd Grade through completed 6th Grade



Summer Mission Trip Meeting

April 29, 5:00 pm LEC Dining Room

All who are interested, please plan to attend this meeting!

Mission trip to West Virginia, July 15 - 21, 2018



YOKEFELLOW ASSIGNMENT

Grits



Florence Baptist Church 201 South Broadway Street Forest City, NC 28043-3698

Or Current Resident

OPPORTUNITIES FOR - April 29– May 5

SUNDAY:

8:45 - First Light (LEC/Gym)
9:45 - Sunday School
11:00 - Salt and Light Service (Sanctuary)
4:00 - G.L.O.W.
5:00 - Youth Praise Band Rehearsal
Jr. G.L.O.W.
6:00 - Power House
Children's Bible Drill
Youth Bible Study (The Loft)
Adult Handbells
Evening Worship

MONDAY:

8:30 - 11:00 - LEC/Gym Open for Walkers

TUESDAY:

8:30 - 11:00 - LEC/Gym Open for Walkers 6:00 - Knit, Crochet, Pray

WEDNESDAY:

4:30 - Senior Adult Choir 5:00 - Staff Fellowship Supper Serving Time 5:30 - Choir Helpers Fellowship Supper Serving Time 5:45 - 6:15 - Fellowship Supper Serving Time 6:15 - 7:00 - Preschool & Children's Choirs 6:30 - Prayer Meeting 7:00 - 7:30 - Children's Mission Groups 7:30 - Adult Choir Rehearsal

8:00 - Adult Praise Band THURSDAY:

8:30 - 11:00 - LEC/Gym Open for Walkers

FRIDAY:

8:30 - 11:00 - LEC/Gym Open for Walkers

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FELLOWSHIP SUPPER MENU

Wednesday, April 25, 2018

MAIN MENU: Fried Chicken Fingers, Hashbrown Casserole, Broccoli Salad, Roll, Apple Cobbler

ALTERNATE MENU: Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Chips, Apple Cobbler

SALAD: Chef Salad, Apple Cobbler

Fellowship Supper reservations are due by Noon on Tuesdays. Please provide a separate check for your Fellowship Meals.

Thank you for your help with this matter.

NURSERY- April 29, 2018

8:30 A.M. - Kim Bridges, Adam & Jordan Yelton, Warren & Tara Hamrick

<u>11:00 A.M.</u> - Alyson Mayse, Kathryn Holland, Janet Atkins, Jason & Michelle Padgett

6:00 P.M. - Rae Hodge, Wes Mayse, Kris Landry

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP - April 29, 2018

8:45 A.M. - Claudia Wilkins
11:00 A.M. - Leslie Suttles
6:00 P.M. - Jean Gordon

