

THE

MESSENGER

201 SOUTH BROADWAY
FOREST CITY, NC 28043
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September 28th

5:30 P.M. - 7:00 P.M. - Food and Games

Pie Eating Contest
Face Painting
Sack Races
Hula Hoop Toss
Bouncy Houses
and much more!

7:15 P.M. - Movie in the LEC
The Secret Life of Pets
Popcorn and Drinks

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IN THE HOSPITAL

Gladys Estes—Rutherford Regional

HOMEBOUND MEMBER OF THE WEEK

Jason Ruppe
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PREACHER B'S BE-ATTITUDES

Apologies to anyone who did not get word about our change in schedule this past Sunday morning! Mack McKeithan and I made the decision to only have the 11:00 Worship Service at 7:00 Sunday morning. We got the word out as quickly and efficiently as we possibly could. Mack and I had talked on Saturday night, but at that point, it seemed we just had a rain event, but by Sunday morning, the winds had picked up and of course we had a steady rain all day. We are constantly working to improve our lines of communication, and we will continue working on this.

As you know, we always try to have the 11:00 Worship Service. And Sunday we had a great crowd and a great spirit! Thank you to all who came. We were able to do what so many of our brothers and sisters in Christ all across North and South Carolina were not able to do-gather in God's House for worship!

Let's be much in prayer for people all across our two states! Many are still without power. Many roads are impassable. Damage has been done to homes, businesses, churches and schools. And unfortunately, there has been loss of life! Let's pray for all of those affected, all those working long hours to restore power and services and all the volunteers who are giving of their time and energy to serve the people of North and South Carolina. We can also give. If you wish to give, please make your check to Florence Baptist Church and put "Hurricane Florence Relief" on the memo line. We will channel these funds through Baptist on Mission.

It is my understanding that the sun is shining in Wilmington this morning. This will help people feel better! And we always know that the Son is shining on us, and God is with us in this storm and all the storms of life. He will see us through.

This is the message we try to share every time we gather for worship and Sunday School. On this note, let me share some exciting news. We had our goal-setting session for Sunday School last week. We had a great turn out-about 45-50 of our teachers and leaders. We set two goals.

First, Sunday, November 4 will be High Attendance Day, and our goal is to have 400 people in Bible study that Sunday.

Second, the teachers and leaders set a goal to average 310 in Sunday School this year.

Let's always remember we are in the people business, and as we focus on people and sharing Christ with them as well as inviting them to experience a community of faith, we will reach and surpass these goals.

Preacher B

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2018

Sunday School Attendance	310
General Fund	\$20,736.00
Lightshine/Bldg Fund	\$3,911.50
BackPack Program	\$685.00
Baptist Hospitals	\$220.00
Baptist Children's Homes	\$235.00
Baptist Retirement Homes	\$220.00
NC Missions	\$470.00
Campus Crusade	\$35.00
Youth Fundraising	\$500.00
US Hunger	\$20.00
World Hunger	\$20.00



This Week's Sunday School Class Spotlight:

Class: Potter's Clay (AEC Rm # 103)

Age Range: Mid-20's to Mid-40's

Members: Mixed - males and females

Curriculum used: Masterwork Series

Purpose: Bible study, with an emphasis on application to families

Class style: Lecture with a lot of discussion. No one is pressured to discuss, but many do. We strive to be Bible based, friendly and informal

Description: The Potter's Clay class is made up primarily of couples and individuals in the child-rearing stages of life. The class averages 20-35 members most Sundays. We are active in service projects and social interactions. The emphasis is applying Scriptures to our daily lives. We have breakfast the first Sunday of each month. We have one social per month, where everyone comes who can. We also have larger socials at times. We try to do service projects as often as we can. Classes are often filled with both laughter and thoughtful discussion.



Operation Christmas Child:
Church GOAL 200



What to pack? Start with "WOW" item such as Toy Followed by personal care items, craft/activities, note
DO NOT INCLUDE: Candy, Toothpaste, Gum, any liquids, war related toys, etc.

This year we will be collecting items for boxes and hosting a Polar Express Packing Party.

Collection boxes will be placed in lobby areas of churches.



September
BIRTHDAYS

- 9/23 Kim Francis, Megan Harrison, Ramona Howell, Eddie Jolley, Jean Lee, Dorlis Roberts
- 9/24 Kathy Carver, Rachel Greene
- 9/25 Nancy Clay, Cooter Robbins
- 9/26 Wayne Hardin, Tommy Holland
- 9/27 Patsy Champion, Ryan Leach
- 9/28 Claire Millwood
- 9/29 Kaitlyn Francis, Noah Newton, Jady Padgett



September
ANNIVERSARIES

- 9/24 Wendell & Beckie Bailey
- 9/25 Greg & Karen Park, Terry & Debbie Womick
- 9/26 Brian & Vanessa Wiig
- 9/29 Gregg & Cindy White

Ladies Night Out & Parade of Tables

Ladies join us on November 2 from 6-8 p.m. for a night out filled with delicious food, music, and a wonderful guest speaker - Maria Owens. You do not want to miss the beautifully decorated tables that our ladies are decorating. Tickets are \$12. There are flyers around the church with a brief bio about our speaker. If you are interested in purchasing a ticket, decorating a table or need more information, contact Katie Cox or the church office.



September 22nd - Christian Music Day - Carowinds!

Cost is \$40.00 per Student. Please RSVP to David and pay as soon as possible if you wish to attend.

5th Quarter - Oct 12th after football games until midnight in the LEC. There will be food, games, and giveaways! Bring a friend after the game for a fun night!

Sunday November 4th will be HIGH ATTENDANCE DAY!



Over the next few weeks we will be spotlighting our Sunday School classes. If you are not involved in a class, we hope you will find one and try it. We have set a goal to have 400 people in Sunday School on this day.

G.L.O.W.

Any 7th -12th grader is invited to join GLOW. We meet at 4:00 each Sunday. We will be working on our Christmas program. Please join by September 30th.



Please join our Grief Share Group. We will meet the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of each month at 10:00 a.m. in the Church Parlor. Anyone who has lost a loved one is welcome to attend.

YOKEFELLOW ASSIGNMENT

Canned Fruit





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Or Current Resident

OPPORTUNITIES FOR - September 23-September 29

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
6:00 - Evening Service
PowerHouse (4 year olds - 3rd Grade)
Children's Bible Drill (4th-6th grades)
Youth Discipleship
Adult Handbells

MONDAY:

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

TUESDAY:

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

WEDNESDAY:

4:30 - Senior Adult Choir
5:30 - Children's Choir Leaders Serving Time
5:45 - 6:15 Fellowship Supper Serving Time
6:15 - 7:00 Preschool and Children's Choirs
6:30 - Prayer Meeting
6:30 - 7:30 - Youth Activities
7:00 - 7:30 - Children's Mission Activities
7:30 Adult Choir Rehearsal
8:30 - Adult Praise Band Rehearsal

THURSDAY:

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

FRIDAY:

8:30 - 11:00 - LEC/Gym Open for Walkers
5:30 - Community Block Party

Save the Date!

September 28th - Community Block Party
October 12th - 5th Quarter after Game
October 23 - Senior Adult Annual Leaf trip
November 4 - Sunday School High Attendance Day

NURSERY- September 23, 2018

8:30 A.M. - Kim Bridges, Rosemari Holland,
Vickie Campfield, Adam & Jordan Yelton

11:00 A.M. - Rae Hodge, Joie Hammond, Kim Street, Jessica
Robbins, Janice Robbins

6:00 P.M. - Rae Hodge, Beth Roper, Mary Lib Henson

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP - September 23, 2018

8:45 A.M. - Tonya Garrison, Gina Greene

11:00 A.M. - Tonya Garrison, April Mayse

POWERHOUSE - September 23, 2018

6:00 P.M. - Tonya Garrison, Steve Garrison

