

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2014

DEACONS: Carlton Jackson
BUS DRIVER: Gene Nixon (482-8281)
BUS RIDER: Carlton Jackson
CHILDREN'S SERMON: Mary Anne Croom
CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Anita LaFon
AUDIO OPERATOR: Bob Partin
VIDEO OPERATOR: Holly Smith



Shut-In of the Week

Mrs. Denise Ellis
Edenton Primetime
PO Box 987
Edenton, NC 27932

Student of the Week

Miss Leslie Bunch
310 Vann, Meredith College
3800 Hillsborough Street
Raleigh, NC 27607



**BAPTIST NURSING
FELLOWSHIP™**

*"I will guide you along the best pathway for your life.
I will advise you and watch over you." Psalm 32:8 NLT*

On March 7 & 8 the Baptist Nursing Fellowship will be walking on the "Pathway to Peace" at their 31st Annual Meeting at Camp Mundo Vista, located in the beautiful Uwharrie Mountains near Asheboro. Plan to arrive early Friday afternoon to relax, walk the trails to view the beauty of God's creation, and visit the outdoor chapel to meditate. Walk the "pathway" during a special prayer walk. After the evening Friday meal, enjoy the fireside activities and fellowship with the missionaries. Remember to wear warm, comfortable clothing, tennis shoes, and bring a flashlight!

For a registration form see Janet in the office. For more information please see Ruth Bass or Joan Privott.

LGN Registration

February is here, and the Little Goose Nest preschool is accepting applications for the 2014-2015 school year from Edenton Baptist Church members and siblings of former LGN students. Forms are available in the church office.

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YOUTH NEWS

Youth and parents are asked to meet at church Saturday morning at 11:00am to set up and decorate for the Valentine Banquet. Girls should bring a batch of any flavor cupcakes and guys should bring icing (chocolate, white, pink, or red) and decorations (sprinkles, etc.). Lunch will be provided for all who are helping.

All youth and parents who are helping with the banquet Sunday evening should arrive no later than 5:00pm. Students should wear dark pants, white shirt, and comfortable shoes.

Our youth time will be split next week as Leanne Clayton leads us in Paint and Create at Sidestreet Studio. The middle school students will meet at the studio at 3:30pm and paint until 5:00pm. High school students will paint from 5:30pm until 7:00pm. Dinner will be together from 5:00pm until 5:30pm across the street at Kelly's apartment. If you have any questions, please call Kelly.

A CELEBRATION OF MISSIONS

WMU Focus Weekend

Friday February 21 – Sunday February 23

Silent Auction donations are due by February 19

THE INFORMER

Edenton Baptist Church
Edenton, North Carolina 27932

A Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Congregation

David B. Brooks
Pastor

Kelly E. Rhodes
Associate Pastor

David N. Shaw
Director of Music

Jackie P. Copeland

Organist/Assistant Music Director

Christopher A. Bunch
Pianist

Janet C. Skinner
Church Administrator

Sue C. Dawley

Financial Secretary

Sherry S. Dowd

Preschool Coordinator

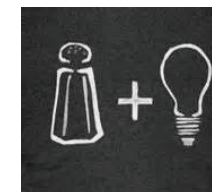
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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2014

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2014

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany



Sermon: *"Salty and Shiny"*

Scripture: Isaiah 58:1-12 • Matthew 5:13-16

VALENTINE BANQUET

6:00pm

Fellowship Hall

Prime Rib & Chicken • Musical Guests: *Riddle*

The "Not-so-Newlywed" Game

HOSPITAL REPORT (2/5)

Vidant Chowan Hospital

Barbara Rinehart

Vidant Medical Center

Elizabeth Stallings

Jimmie Parrish

20 for 12 at Cale is a campaign to raise funds to build the first of two much needed bunk-houses at the camp. Anyone willing to give \$20 for 12 months to this cause is asked to send donations to:

Cale: Camp & Conference Ctr.

377 Camp Cale Road
Hertford, NC 27944

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS for Adults

Baptism book study
6:30pm

Expressions of Thanks

Dear Church Family,

The past two months have been very difficult for us, but we have been blessed with abundant love and care from you. From an amazing "one-day-wonder" ramp to shower grab bars installed, shower door removed, power lift chair provided, rides given, food, visits, cards, and many prayers--all so very much appreciated. Bob is now at Chowan River Nursing & Rehabilitation Center. He needs encouragement and loves visits. Again, we thank you for all you've done for us and continue to covet your prayers.

Love in Christ,
Bob and Alma Taylor

Mrs. Hilda Goodwin wishes to express her sincere appreciation to members of our church for the many acts of kindness and prayers rendered in her behalf.

WEEKLY REPORT (2/2)

Offering

Budget Needed 10,048.54
Amt. Received 11,728.00
Over Budget 1,679.46

Other Monies Received

Community Missions 265.75
Memorial Fund 40.00
Reimbursements 272.00
Initial Offering 24.00
Global Missions 200.00
Albemarle Preg. Ctr. 24.00
Valentine Banquet 300.00
Missions for Youth 250.00
TOTAL 1,375.75

Attendance

Sunday School 132
Chowan River Nursing 33
SS TOTAL 165
Worship TOTAL 252

YTD Offerings (5 weeks)

Amt. Required 50,242.70
Amt. Received 47,070.10
Under Budget (3,172.60)

From the Pastor

As members of Edenton Baptist Church, we have been blessed with a beautiful sanctuary. Some may argue that the money spent to build and maintain a sanctuary like ours is wasteful, claiming that such funds could be put to more faithful use in ministering to people near and far. I can appreciate that argument, but I also know that a sacred space for worship is invaluable to our faith as Christians.

In one of his psalms, King David reminds us of the value of a sanctuary: "One thing have I desired of the Lord, that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple" (Ps. 27:4). David beheld the beauty of the Lord and inquired of the Lord in the temple in Jerusalem. We do the very same thing in our sanctuary. We behold God's beauty and we inquire of God when we worship together in the beautiful sanctuary of Edenton Baptist Church.

"The sanctuary is the place where people gather week after week," Craig Barnes writes, "to remember that the holy is also in the places of their lives that are not so beautiful. It is where they bury their parents and spouses, baptize their [children] and walk beautiful daughters down the aisle to a groom wearing a naïve grin. Pastors sit alone in this sanctuary after a hard visit to a nursing home and ponder what God is doing in the lives of the congregation he loves. All of it is a way of beholding the sacredness of life. To behold such holy work we need holy spaces."¹

Give thanks to God for the holy space that is our sanctuary. As you come to worship every week, prepare your heart and mind to behold the beauty of the Lord and to ask for God's guidance and care.

Grace and peace,

David



¹M. Craig Barnes, "Truth in Beautiful Spaces," *The Christian Century*. Vol. 131, No. 3 (February 5, 2014): 31.

LECTIONARY READINGS

FEBRUARY 9, 2014

5th Sun. after the Epiphany

Isaiah 58:1-12

Psalms 112:1-9

1 Corinthians 2:1-12

Matthew 5:13-20

FEBRUARY 16, 2014

6th Sun. after the Epiphany

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Psalms 119:1-8

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Matthew 5:21-37

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Saturday, February 8

*Basketball: BB--EB/UM at
Ballard's Bridge Baptist*

5:00-Co-ed Grades K-2

5:30-Co-ed Grades 3-6 (6 girls)

6:30-Boys Grades 6-9

7:30-Girls Grades 7-12

8:30-Boys Grades 9-12

Sunday, February 9

9:45-Sunday School

10:45-Pastor/Deacon Prayer

11:00-Morning Worship

6:00-Valentine Banquet

Monday, February 10

7:00-Son Beams, Ruth Bass

Tuesday, February 11

11:00-Combined WMU Groups,
Fellowship Hall

5:00-TOPS, Room 117

7:00-Joyful Noise Makers,
Edenton Primetime

Wednesday, February 12

5:30-Supper (taco salad)

6:00-Children's Choirs

6:30-Adult Bible Study

6:45-Children's Missions

7:30-Adult Choir Practice

Thursday, February 13

5:30-Handbells, Room 200

6:30-Salt Shakers, Sally Blount

Birthdays

Sunday, February 9

Heather Deshields

Joan Boswell

Monday, February 10

Linda Adams

Faye Lewis

Tuesday, February 11

Allison Cleve

Fran Cuthrell

Randy Hollowell

Wednesday, February 12

David Perry

Elizabeth Stallings

Thursday, February 13

Connor Alligood

Madge Bunch

Fred Keeter, Jr.

Bill Vogedes

Friday, February 14

William Hardy

Tanner Leggett

Eddie Stallings

Saturday, February 15

Rhonda Smith

Anniversaries

Sunday, February 9

M/M Jimmy Fleetwood

Monday, February 10

M/M Mark Word

Saturday, February 15

M/M Jim Kalbach