

Expression of Thanks

Mr. Jimmie Parrish wishes to express his sincere appreciation to church members for the many acts of kindness and prayers rendered in his behalf.



EBC is the place to be on Sunday afternoons! Puppet practice starts at 4:00 and ends at 5:30. The group is meeting in room 203 and all 4th-12th graders are urged to come and bring a friend.



When I was younger, time seemed to drag. Now I've been married to my high school sweetheart for twenty years, and I'm the father of two precious children who are growing up entirely too fast. It's been fourteen months since my mom died, and every day I think about how I wish I'd had more time with her. As I grow older, I want time to slow down, maybe even stand still from time to time. I know that I don't have the power to slow the clock or make it stop, but I can be thankful to God for the gift of each and every day, and that helps.

In our church library are several books by Frederick Buechner that I highly recommend for your own spiritual life. In one of those books, *Whistling in the Dark: A Doubter's Dictionary*, Buechner has this to say about the topic of "Today":

It is a moment of light surrounded on all sides by darkness and oblivion. In the entire history of the universe, let alone in your own history, there has never been another just like it and there will never be another just like it again. It is the point to which all your yesterdays have been leading since the hour of your birth. It is the point from which all your tomorrows will proceed until the hour of your death. If you were aware of how precious it is, you could hardly live through it. Unless you are aware of how precious it is, you can hardly be said to be living at all.

"This is the day which the Lord has made," says the 118th Psalm. "Let us rejoice and be glad in it." Or weep and be sad in it for that matter. The point is to see it for what it is because it will be gone before you know it. If you waste it, it is your life that you're wasting. If you look the other way, it may be the moment you've been waiting for always that you're missing.

All other days have either disappeared into darkness and oblivion or not yet emerged from it. Today is the only day there is.

Amen.

Grace and peace,

David

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Sunday, September 7

- 8:00-Deacons Meeting
- 9:45-Sunday School
- 10:45-Pastor/Deacon Prayer
- 11:00-Morning Worship
- 4:00-Puppets
- 5:30-Youth Supper
- 6:00-Youth HOLLA

Tuesday, September 9

- 11:00-Combined WMU Lunch Fellowship Hall
- 5:00-TOPS, Room 117

Wednesday, September 10

- 5:30-Supper
- 6:00-Children's Choirs
- 6:30-Adult Bible Study
- 6:45-Children's Missions
- 7:30-Adult Choir Practice
- Building & Grounds Mtg.

Birthdays

Sunday, September 7

- Nancy Barrow
- Barry White

Monday, September 8

- Brittney Small
- Emily Smith
- Lily Smith

William G. White

Tuesday, September 9

- Michael Adams

Wednesday, September 10

- Corey Clayton
- Chris Harmon
- Holly Smith

Thursday, September 11

- Patricia Easterling
- Michael Edmundson

Friday, September 12

- Michael Griffin
- Joan Privott
- Ronnie Sawyer
- Corinne Thorud
- Leigh Thompson

Saturday, September 13

- Duncan Atstupenas
- Ann Condra
- Peggy Dees
- Pamela Moreau

No known anniversaries.

Please let the office know if you do not see your birthday and/or anniversary. We may not have that information.

Remember...



Items Needed for Two Rivers Christian Women's Job Corp

These are some of the things we would like to have on hand for our participants. There is a collection box for these CWJC donations in the hallway behind the sanctuary.

- **Personal hygiene items:** soap, lotion, toothpaste, shampoo, nail clippers & files, feminine pads, body powder, etc.
- **Paper and or writing needs:** pens, pencils, spiral notebooks, writing pads, pocket calculators, etc.
- **Celebration items:** canvas shopping bags, pocket books, recipe books, blank encouragement cards, journals, cosmetics nail polish & polish remover, small decorative items for the home, etc.

We will also have a **Clothing Closet** which will include items of women's clothing appropriate for wearing to a job interview, to work, to classes at COA, or to church. These items should be clean and placed in plastic bags and delivered to either Kelly Rhodes at church or to Ruth Bass. Call Ruth Bass (482-4374) if you need items picked up.

In order to complete the Career Readiness Certification goal with our participants, Two Rivers CWJC needs **computers**. If you have recently upgraded to a new computer and are wondering what to do with your old one, call Ruth Bass.

HOSPITAL REPORT (9/3)

At the time of printing there were no known members in the hospital.

WEEKLY REPORT (8/31)

Offering

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| Budget Needed | 10,048.54 |
| Amt. Received | 8,023.00 |
| Under Budget | (2,025.54) |

Other Monies Received

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| Supper (8/27) | 350.00 |
| Memorial Fund | 35.00 |
| Global Missions | 200.00 |
| Griffin Scholarship | 100.00 |
| NC Missions | 570.00 |
| CWJC | 50.00 |
| Reimbursements | 604.00 |
| TOTAL | 1,909.00 |

Attendance

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| Sunday School | 113 |
| Chowan River Nursing | 35 |
| SS TOTAL | 148 |
| Worship TOTAL | 170 |

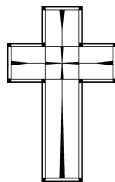
"SEIZE THE DAY

Enjoy, Learn & Prepare"

The Community Outreach Committee of St. Anne Catholic Church is hosting a free seminar series on Successful Aging, beginning September 18. All sessions will be held at the Family Life Center of Edenton United Methodist Church. Call Janet in the office for more information.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2014

DEACONS: Jim Blount & Gene Nixon
BUS DRIVER: Ben Rinehart, Jr. (482-2959)
BUS RIDER: Jim Blount
CHILDREN'S SERMON: Casey Atstupenas
CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Travis Ellis
AUDIO OPERATOR: Paul Williams
VIDEO OPERATOR: Paul Stallings
YOUTH SUPPER: Mark & Sheryl Alligood



Sunday School Spotlight

Most of our adult classes make use of *Formations* curriculum. Edenton Baptist has connections with two of the four lesson writers for this fall. Wayne Proctor—our former Minister of Education—wrote the lessons for September, and Alicia Davis Porterfield—one of our revival preachers from 2011—is the writer for the November lessons. Join with friends this Sunday in Sunday School for learning and fellowship.

Shut-In of the Week

Mrs. Evelyn Swanner
Edenton Primetime
PO Box 987
Edenton, NC 27932



Student of the Week

Mr. Garrett Stanley
Western Carolina Univ.
245 Memorial Drive
Suite 9480
Cullowhee, NC 28723

Requests for August:

Food Pantry
mac n cheese

Operation Christmas Child
small toys

WMU Red Box
women's socks

2015 Budget requests are due no later than Sunday, September 14.

What Is God Like?

Join us for Wednesday night Adult Bible Study each week from 6:30-7:30pm in the fellowship hall. The schedule is as follows:

September 10 "God in Relation to Us"
September 17 "God in Heaven"

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YOUTH NEWS

This Sunday will be our first youth supper (Alligood) and HOLLA night. Supper is from 5:30 - 6:00pm and Bible study is from 6:00 - 7:00pm. Be here and bring a friend!

Students and parents are encouraged to come to the Boys and Girls Club this Saturday from 8:30am (breakfast is provided) until noon for a Day of Caring. We will be cleaning and painting in an effort to help the B&G Club start the new year off right.

On Sunday, September 28, Dr. Chap Clark will be at Trinity Baptist Church in Raleigh doing an afternoon ParenTeen seminar from 3:00pm until 5:00pm. The event website's description says this: "The church-based ParenTeen conference is specifically focused on what it means to see parenting as stewardship from God. The focus will be on how God is calling parents to respond to their children in a highly secular and fragmented culture, what biblical discipleship looks like during the teen years, and how parents who have an authentic faith have the best chance of leading their children into a lifetime of commitment to God and his kingdom work." If you would like to go, please let Kelly know and she will get you registered. The cost is \$20 per person or \$30 per couple.

THE INFORMER

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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, SEPTEMBER 3, 2014

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2014

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Guest Preacher: Melanie Edwards
Missionary to Southeast Asia

Deacons Meeting, 8:00am



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September is the month that our church collects a joint offering for several state missions organizations. This year the offering will be divided between WMU-NC (40%), NC Baptist Men (30%), Cale Retreat and Conference Center (20%), and CBFNC Mission and Ministry Offering (10%). Please use the special envelopes included in last week's newsletter to give generously to this annual offering.