

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2016

**DEACONS:** Jackie Adams & Allen Mills  
**BUS DRIVER:** David McCall (482-8667)  
**BUS RIDER:** Allen Mills  
**CHILDREN'S SERMON:** David Brooks  
**CHILDREN'S CHURCH:** Joy Harvill  
**AUDIO OPERATOR:** Keith Privott  
**VIDEO OPERATORS:** Allen & Claire Mills  
**YOUTH SNACK:** Al & Anne Ward



Congratulations to Daniel and Rhonda Smith, and big sister, Katherine, on the birth of Mary Elizabeth on January 27. The little one weighed 5 lbs. 2 oz. and was 18.2 in. long. Her proud granddad is Larry Smith.

### SHUT-IN of the Week

Mr. John Brabble  
 927 Soundside Road  
 Edenton, NC 27932

### STUDENT of the Week

Mr. Woody Parrish  
 15 Davie Circle  
 Chapel Hill, NC 27514

### Weekly Report (1/31)

#### Offering

Budget Needed	10,036.88
Amt. Received	10,184.92
Over Budget	148.04

#### Other Monies Received

Wed. Night Supper	275.00
Alb. Pregnancy Resource	15.16
Food Pantry	20.00
Bapt. Men Reimbursement	912.00
Youth Reimbursement	75.00
EBC Reimbursement	410.00
Youth Fund	200.00
CWJC	450.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,357.16</b>

#### Attendance

Sunday School	102
Chowan River Nursing	36
SS TOTAL	138
Worship TOTAL	205

#### YTD Offerings (4 Weeks)

Amt. Required	40,147.52
Amt. Received	32,536.15
Under Budget	(7,611.37)

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### Senior Adult Valentine Dinner

Our Youth are honoring our Senior Adults who are 65 and over with a dinner February 14th at 5:00pm in the fellowship hall. There is no charge for the meal. Please call the church office to make your reservation (482-3217).

### LITTLE GOOSE NEST PRESCHOOL

During the month of February, children of EBC members, siblings of former LGN students, and those who are presently enrolled in the 3 year old class, may register for the 2016-2017 school year. A registration form is available in the church office. Payment of the \$115.00 materials fee will hold the student's spot. In March enrollment will be opened to the public.



On February 10<sup>th</sup> we will have an Ash Wednesday service at 6:30pm in the church sanctuary.

There will be no children's activities for 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> graders. These children may attend the worship service with their parents. Pre-K and K will have activities as normal, with choir from 6:00-6:45pm and missions from 6:45-7:30pm.

# THE INFORMER

Edenton Baptist Church  
 Edenton, North Carolina 27932

*A Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Congregation*

**David B. Brooks**  
 Pastor

**Gary P. Stanley**  
 Interim Youth Minister  
**Michael W. Morgan**  
 Director of Music  
**Jackie P. Copeland**  
 Organist/Assistant Music Director

**Janet C. Skinner**  
 Church Administrator  
**Lorraine B. Bass**  
 Financial Secretary  
**Sherry S. Dowd**  
 Preschool Coordinator

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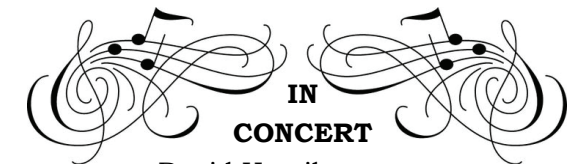
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### Transfiguration Sunday

Deacons Meeting, 8:00am



Observance of the Lord's Supper



David Hamilton, tenor  
 and  
 Michael Morgan, organist  
 4:00pm  
 Church Sanctuary

*Invite your family and friends to this free concert.*

Sign up for our  
**e-NEWSLETTER**  
[www.edentonbaptist.org](http://www.edentonbaptist.org)

## LECTIONARY READINGS

**February 7, 2016**

**Transfiguration Sunday**

Exodus 34:29-35

Psalms 99

2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

Luke 9:28-36, (37-43a)



**February 14, 2016**

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent**

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Psalms 91:1-2, 9-16

Romans 10:8b-13

Luke 4:1-13

### *Dash for the Gold 5k*

*Fundraiser for Two Rivers Christian Women's Job Corp*

**Saturday, March 12**

Register in the church office.

### Calendar of Activities

**Saturday, February 6**

EBC - OD at Northern Comm. Ctr.

4:30-Co-ed Grades K-2

5:00-Boys Grades 3-5, Girls 3-6

6:00-Boys Grades 6, 7, 8

7:00-Girls Grades 7-12

8:00-Boys Grades 9-12

**Sunday, February 7**

8:00-Deacons Meeting

9:45-Sunday School

10:45-Pastor/Deacon Prayer

11:00-Morning Worship

4:00-5:00-Youth Group

**Monday, February 8**

7:00-Son Beams, Jenny Williams

**Tuesday, February 9**

11:00-Combined WMU Groups

5:30-Finance Committee

**Wednesday, February 10**

5:30-Supper (hamburger steak)

6:00-Pre-K & K Choir

6:30-Ash Wednesday Service

6:45-Pre-K & K Missions

7:30-Adult Choir Practice

**Thursday, February 11**

10:15-Bookbag Buddies

5:45-Handbells

### Birthdays

**Monday, February 8**

Kerry Hollowell

Angela McWalter

John Smith

Debbie Swicegood

**Tuesday, February 9**

Heather Deshields

Joan Boswell

**Wednesday, February 10**

Linda Adams

Faye Lewis

**Thursday, February 11**

Allison Cleve

Fran Cuthrell

Randy Hollowell

**Friday, February 12**

Elizabeth Stallings

**Saturday, February 13**

Connor Alligood

Madge Bunch

Fred Keeter, Jr.

### Anniversaries

**Tuesday, February 9**

M/M Jimmy Fleetwood

**Wednesday, February 10**

M/M Mark Word

### From the Pastor

Being Baptist is about independence. As Baptists, we value the independence and freedom of each individual congregation. There is no such thing as *the* Baptist Church like there is *the* Catholic Church or *the* Episcopal Church throughout the world. There are Baptist churches. Each local Baptist church is independent from every other church in the world. There is no council or governing body outside of our congregation to which we have to report. No denominational resolution or vote can dictate how we worship, who can serve in our church, how we interpret the Bible, who can be a member of our church, or how we carry out God's mission in the world. All of these decisions are made by each member of Edenton Baptist Church and no one else.

Being Baptist is also about cooperation. Freedom from other churches does not mean separation from other churches. Instead, we Baptists realize the value of voluntarily partnering with other Christians in other churches—Baptist or otherwise—to worship, to serve, to work for justice and peace, and to share the good news of Jesus with the world. Working with other churches, we can learn from one another; we can form bonds of Christian fellowship with people near and far; we can worship God together; we can support mission work and evangelism; and we can support the training of church leaders for the future.

Independence and cooperation are often depicted as opposites. In many instances, we have to choose one or the other. But as Baptists, we can choose both. No one makes decisions for Edenton Baptist Church other than the members of Edenton Baptist Church. At the same time, we choose to associate with other Baptist churches, like those in the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship (CBF), so that we can work together with fellow Baptists in fulfilling our God-given mission in the world.

For 25 years, CBF has existed for the purpose of helping churches like ours to serve God faithfully and to love our neighbors as ourselves. The national CBF General Assembly will be held in Greensboro this year, June 20-24, and it will be a time of celebration to mark CBF's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. I encourage you to make plans now to attend and join with other Baptists in the celebration. You can also attend the one-day General Assembly of CBFNC on Friday, March 18, at Hayes Barton Baptist Church in Raleigh. Whether you attend these events or not, be sure to learn all you can about what it means to be a part of CBF. Two good places to start are [www.cbf.net](http://www.cbf.net) and [www.cbfnc.org](http://www.cbfnc.org). And for some very specific details about the history and values of CBF, check out <http://www.cbf.net/identity/faq/>.

Grace and peace,

David

### WMU Focus Week ~ February 22-28

**"Purses for a Purpose"** is our WMU Missions Project for the month. Fill a new or gently used purse with necessity items that anyone could use if they had to leave their home in a hurry. The purses will be given to the Domestic Violence or Homeless Shelter. Also consider filling a small purse for little girls or a bag with items for little boys. Suggested items include a toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, soap/body wash, hand cream, lip balm, comb/brush, tissues, pen and notepad, gum, socks, and female products. February 28th is the end date for this project. A drop off box is located in the back hallway.

**"Paint and Create"** a masterpiece on Saturday, February 27 from 9:00-11:30am. Ladies age 5 and up are invited to dress for a mess as we complete artwork to be shared with shut-ins and others with special needs. Please sign up if you plan to attend. Place a slip with your name and age into the envelope located in the back hallway. Look for the turquoise bow!

*Thank You!*

Thank you to the choir for a job well done, and to those in the congregation who supported the Fifth Sunday Sing. I am grateful for the dedication the choir gives every week.

-Michael Morgan

The Social Committee would like to sincerely thank the EBC family for the great abundance of delicious food that was provided for the Fifth Sunday Sing reception last Sunday. Thank you for making an ecumenical service a real blessing and outreach for our community.

### HOSPITAL REPORT (2/3)

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

### "SOUPER MONTHS" at Edenton-Chowan Food Pantry

During January and February, please donate items used in making a hearty pot of soup:

- canned vegetables
- rice (1lb. bags)
- dried beans
- noodles
- or canned tomato and/or chicken noodle soups.