

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 2016

DEACONS: Jamie Bass & Lowell Gieseke
BUS DRIVER: Tim Smith (333-0431)
BUS RIDER: Lowell Gieseke
CHILDREN'S SERMON: Patrick Cardwell
AUDIO OPERATOR: Maurice Bunch
VIDEO OPERATORS: Allen & Claire Mills
OUTREACH COMMITTEE: Ann Hawkins



Operation Bandanas

Thank you to the SS classes and individuals that have given to help supply Psalm 91 bandanas to our deploying troops. Thus far we have given \$350 toward the urgent need of 5,000 bandanas for Fort Campbell.

Two more large requests have come in this week for 1,400 bandanas for Joint Base Lewis McChord and 1,400 for the 139th AW, St. Joseph, MO.

The need is ongoing and every \$3 you give provides a bandana for a soldier. Support our troops as they protect our world.
-Artie

ACTS – Learning to Pray

A study led by our Pastor

Wednesdays, 6:30pm
Aug 31, Sep 7 & 14
The Fellowship Hall



**FOOD PANTRY
Request for August:**
canned tuna or chicken



The office is requesting addresses of our college students so their church family can send them notes of encouragement throughout the year. Please call us (482-3217).

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It's time for staff and committee chairs to determine their budget needs for the 2017 church year. Requests should be made in writing and delivered to the church office no later than September 18.



Children's mission groups and choirs resume on Wednesday, September 7. Mark your calendar now and make these activities a priority for your children (4 years - 6th grade). Our Wednesday fellowship meal begins at 5:30pm prior to the children's activities. Call the church office to make a reservation. Choir starts promptly at 6:00pm followed by missions at 6:45pm. Activities conclude at 7:30pm.



Coffee. Conversation. Prayer. Join Patrick for *Jesus & Java*, at Edenton Coffee House, every Thursday morning, beginning September 1, at 7:45! See Patrick for more info.

THE INFORMER

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Edenton, North Carolina 27932

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Pastor

Patrick I. Cardwell
Associate Pastor

Michael W. Morgan
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Organist/Assistant Music Director

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Sherry S. Dowd
Preschool Coordinator

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 25, 2016

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 2016

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Baptist Men's Breakfast, 8:30am
Sunday School Promotion, 10:15am

Sermon: *"Staying Hydrated"*
Jeremiah 2:4-13

Choral Anthem: *In Our Music God is Glorified*

Youth Back-to-School Bash

All youth and parents are invited to the home of Parker & Perris Clayton (218 Gov. Eden House Road – Black Rock) for lunch, fellowship, and fun at the river. The church will provide fried chicken, while youth families are asked to bring side dishes and desserts. After our meal, Patrick Cardwell will share plans for the fall. Don't forget your bathing suit and a towel!

Welcome!

On Sunday, Rev. Patrick Cardwell "officially" united with our church family by transfer of letter from First Baptist Church, Greensboro, NC.

LECTIONARY READINGS

August 28, 2016

15th Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 2:4-13
Psalm 81:1, 10-16
Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16
Luke 14:1, 7-14



August 28, 2016

16th Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 18:1-11
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
Philemon 1:1-21
Luke 14:25-33

PHOTO RELEASE NOTIFICATION:

Attention EBC members! Patrick is going to be updating the church's website and Facebook page with some new photos in the coming weeks. If you'd rather NOT be featured in any of the photos, please come by the office for a Photo Release form, which must be completed, signed, and turned in to the church office by September 11. Be sure to check out the website and Facebook page soon for updates!

CALENDAR of ACTIVITIES

Sunday, August 28

8:30-Baptist Men
9:45-Sunday School
10:15-SS Promotion
10:45-Pastor/Deacon Prayer
11:00-Morning Worship
12:00-Youth Bash, Clayton's

Monday, August 29

7:00-Little Goose Nest Open House (4 yr. olds)

Tuesday, August 30

7:00-Little Goose Nest Open House (3 yr. olds)

Wednesday, August 31

5:30-Supper
6:30-Adult Bible Study
7:30-Adult Choir Practice

Thursday, September 1

3:30-Homebound Ministry Team, Room 103

WEEKLY REPORT (8/21)

Offering

Budget Needed	10,036.88
Amt. Received	7,096.52
Over (Under) Budget	(2,940.36)

Other Monies Received

Wed. Supper (8/10, 8/17)	512.00
Reimbursements	716.40
Global Missions	<u>30.00</u>
TOTAL	1,258.40

Attendance

Sunday School	98
Chowan River Nursing	<u>41</u>
SS TOTAL	139
Worship TOTAL	165

YTD Offerings (34 Weeks)

Amt. Required	341,253.92
Amt. Received	299,916.54
Under Budget	(41,337.38)

The Waiting Game

Theology. Church history. Pastoral care. Preaching. Baptism. Christian ethics. Biblical studies. These are all topics that I was trained in and prepared for at Wake Forest University School of Divinity. But in the three years I spent there, I didn't take a single course on *waiting*. After I graduated, I wished that I had. Before I arrived in this lovely town with such warm and generous people, I interviewed at a number of other churches in Dallas, Richmond, Kernersville, and Raleigh. For one reason or another, they all turned me down. I was discouraged, and I was afraid that I had gambled on the wrong horse. I was terrified that I had taken a step of faith in following my call, only to find that the ground gave out beneath me.

The 8 months of searching, preparing, interviewing, and waiting were long, mentally exhausting, and spiritually draining. The roller coaster of hope-filled crests and heart-rending drops is one I hope never to ride again. I felt a lot like Moses, and that inevitably was a factor in my first sermon here. I was wandering in the wilderness, knowing that I had experienced and followed God's call, but always in search of the place that had been promised, finding rest and nourishment from time to time in only temporary oases. But in early May, I got an email from David Brooks, and my spirit began to rise once more in hopeful anticipation that maybe, just maybe, this was the place to which God was leading me. And in late July, you all confirmed that, and I'm tremendously grateful for the opportunity to be here. Because this isn't just a job for me – it's a fulfillment of a promise and the chance to live out my calling in the world. It's the realization and the rediscovery that God truly is as good as I believe.

The waiting and searching is almost unbearably hard, but the outcome is worth it. I think that's what Jesus means in many of the parables he tells about the Kingdom of God. It's not immediate and it's not always evident, but the work goes on and each day brings us a little closer to a fuller picture and a stronger grasp of what that new community really looks like. It's something we're all waiting for. But with this church around me – in the midst of a group of disciples who are just as committed as I am to finding and living in the Kingdom – I'm glad to be working, searching, and even waiting, again.

Patrick

It's A Girl!

Congratulations to Allison & Justin Cleve on the birth of their first child on August 21. Madeline Baye was 6 lbs. 14 oz. and 20 inches long. Her proud grandparents are Karen & Jimmy Fleetwood.

REMINDER!

Our Little Goose Nest Pre-school still has openings in the 4 year old class for the 2016-2017. Please continue to spread the word with your friends and neighbors!

Student of the Week

Mr. Paul Bunch, Jr.
3400 N. Wesleyan Blvd.
Rocky Mount, NC 27804

SHUT-IN of the Week

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

Anniversaries

Sunday, August 28

M/M Richard Hollowell
M/M David Shaw

Thursday, September 1

M/M Freddie Oldham

BOOKBAG BUDDIES

During the school year we will once again have a vital role in the Bookbag Buddies program. If you would like to be part of this ministry or want more information, please contact Patrick as soon as possible. Our first delivery day will be Thursday, September 8.

HOSPITAL REPORT (8/21)

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

Birthdays

Sunday, August 28

Wallace Evans

Monday, August 29

Al Bunch

Ben Rinehart, Sr.

Sharon Waff

Tuesday, August 30

Anna Privott

Thursday, September 1

Maddy Groves

Kelsey Jackson

Jean Norvell

Betty B. Ward

Friday, September 2

Bobby Ashley

Pansy Alderman Elliott

William Stallings

Saturday, September 3

Marie Baker

Legion Britton

Miles Hughes

Joe Stokely