

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2016

DEACONS: Jamie Bass & Lowell Gieseke
BUS DRIVER: Ben Rinehart, Jr. (482-2959)
BUS RIDER: Jamie Bass
CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Sandra Stanley
AUDIO OPERATOR: Maurice Bunch
VIDEO OPERATORS: Allen & Claire Mills
OUTREACH COMMITTEE: Ann Hawkins



There will be no Children's Sermon this Sunday.

Thank You!

Thanks to all the volunteers who made Trunk Or Treat a success! Whether you brought candy to the church, gave out candy in the parking lot, hosted a game, or helped clean up, I'm grateful for the ways in which you helped Edenton Baptist Church embody the welcoming presence of Christ on Sunday afternoon. We had a great time, and look forward to it again next year!

Patrick

SHUT-IN of the Week

Mrs. Denise Ellis
 Chowan River Nursing
 PO Box 566
 Edenton, NC 27932

HOSPITAL REPORT (11/3)

There were no known members in the hospital at time of printing.

WEEKLY REPORT (10/30)

Offering

Amount Received.....\$7,089.64

Other Monies Received

Wed. Night Supper.....328.00
 Memorials.....335.00
 Alb. Preg. Resource Ctr.....10.26
 Reimbursements.....4,258.15
 Global Missions..... 10.00
 TOTAL.....4,941.41

Attendance

Sunday School.....103
 Chowan River Nursing.....40
 SS TOTAL.....143
 Worship TOTAL.....181

Anniversaries

Monday, November 7

M/M Tom Ward

Tuesday, November 8

M/M Carlton Jackson

M/M Brian Long

Thursday, November 10

M/M David McCall

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Our youth will host a CHILI FUNDRAISER LUNCH this Sunday, following the worship service, in the fellowship hall.

Election of Deacons

On December 31, 2016, seven of our active deacons will complete their current three year term. Filling the vacancies on the diaconate will be seven persons elected by the congregation to serve for 2017-2019. The seven nominees are as follows: Johnny Layton, Mac Privott, Wanda Small, Charles Swanner, Gary Swanner, David Ray, and Waldo Winslow. Election of these new deacons will take place at the conclusion of worship on Sunday, November 13.

Shop with a mission!
WORLD MARKET
 This Saturday, November 5
 Fellowship Hall
 10:00am-3:00pm

ADVENT CONSPIRACY



**WORSHIP FULLY
 SPEND LESS
 GIVE MORE
 LOVE ALL**

Wednesday at 6:30pm in the fellowship hall. Join us!



**BAPTIST WOMEN'S
 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

Monday, November 7

EBC Sanctuary ♦ 9:00am

Refreshments will follow in the fellowship hall.

THE INFORMER

Edenton Baptist Church

Edenton, North Carolina 27932

A Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Congregation

David B. Brooks
 Pastor

Patrick I. Cardwell
 Associate Pastor

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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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2016

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2016

All Saints' Sunday

Deacons Meeting, 8:00am

Observance of the Lord's Supper



*Remembering
 Our Faithful Departed*

Leslie Kirby, Doris Hardison, Jack Doane,
 Joan Perry, Pattie Byrum, Corinne Thorud,
 Orvin Rud, Charles Morgan, James Alston,
 Betsy Campen Bierowski, and Betty Manning



Daylight Saving Time is ending. Remember to turn your clocks back one hour Saturday night!

LECTIONARY READINGS

November 6, 2016

All Saints' Sunday

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18
Psalm 149
Ephesians 1:11-23
Luke 6:20-31



November 13, 2016

26th Sun. after Pentecost

Isaiah 65:17-25
Isaiah 12
2 Thessalonians 3:6-13
Luke 21:5-19

Birthdays

Sunday, November 6

Gary Ray

Monday, November 7

Kermit Layton

Bill Potts

Tuesday, November 8

Robert Brown

Pete Manning

Judy White

Wednesday, November 9

Anna D. Bass

Kathryn Cuthrell

Cliff Towe

Amy Weber

Thursday, November 10

Donnie Cooke

Rene Mattera

Friday, November 11

Laurie Brooks

Jerry Stotesbury, Jr.

Shirley Swain

Saturday, November 12

P. J. Bunch

Irene Stotesbury

Operation Christmas Child

Have you packed yet? You may pick up an empty box at the church, along with the instructional brochure. Filled boxes should be returned anytime before worship on Sunday, Nov. 20.

CALENDAR of ACTIVITIES

Saturday, November 5

10:00-World Market

Sunday, November 6

8:00-Deacons Meeting

9:45-Sunday School

10:45-Pastor/Deacon Prayer

11:00-Morning Worship

12:00-Chili Fundraiser Lunch

Monday, November 7

9:00-Women's World Day of

Prayer, Sanctuary

Wednesday, November 9

5:30-Supper

6:00-Children's Choirs

6:30-Adult Bible Study

6:45-Children's Missions

7:30-Adult Choir Practice

Thursday, November 10

7:45-Jesus & Java

10:15-Bookbag Buddies

12:00-Salt Shakers Group,

Soda Shoppe

7:00-Bicentennial Committee

FROM THE PASTOR

As you may well know, there is great joy to be found in giving a generous portion of our income to God for God to use. That's not because God will reward us with a good financial return on our generosity. Instead, we find joy in giving because it loosens the grip that money so often has on us. Generosity is the antidote to our greed, and generosity removes the false sense of security that comes to us as we hold on tightly to wealth.

In our *Advent Conspiracy* study on Wednesday nights, we are discussing ways in which we can worship God more fully, spend less on ourselves, give more generously, and love all people more faithfully. In reading the book, *Advent Conspiracy*, I am continually drawn back to this statement quoted by the authors from the familiar twentieth-century Christian writer, C. S. Lewis, about the amount of our giving:

I do not believe one can settle how much we ought to give. I am afraid the only safe rule is to give more than we can spare. In other words, if our expenditure on comforts, luxuries, amusements, etc., is up to the standard common among those with the same income as our own, we are probably giving away too little. If our charities do not at all pinch or hamper us, I should say they are too small. There ought to be things we should like to do and cannot do because our charitable expenditures exclude them.¹

Those are sage words of challenge and financial guidance for every Christian. Clearly, every one of us has to budget our income wisely in order to provide for ourselves and our families. But part of being a faithful Christian is to also give financially to the work of God. In these final two months of the year, I pray that we will accept a challenge to give joyfully, generously, and "more than we can spare" to support the good and faithful ministries of our church family that is known as Edenton Baptist Church.

Your pastor,

David

¹C. S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity* (New York: HarperCollins, 2001), 86.



**Entertaining A Hope:
The Bicentennial of Edenton Baptist Church**

The celebration of our church's 200th anniversary begins this Sunday—All Saints' Sunday—with the theme, "Hopeful Remembering." We will light candles in memory of EBC members who died in the last year, and we will also recognize several notable members from our past who served God faithfully through our church. Other highlights for this special day include:

- The presentation of a new history of our church—*Entertaining A Hope: A Bicentennial History of Edenton Baptist Church*—written by our very own Dr. Jesse Croom. Copies of the book will be available for purchase after worship for \$30, and Dr. Croom will be available to sign your copy.
- Our youth and parents will provide a chili lunch in the fellowship hall as a fundraiser for youth trips and activities. Donations will be accepted at the door.
- Other commemorative Bicentennial items for sale at the lunch will include color prints of the church, painted last year by late EBC member Betsy Campen Bierowski, Christmas ornaments, and bumper stickers.



CHURCH-WIDE THANKSGIVING DINNER

Sunday, November 20 • 5:00pm

\$5.00 per person

(no more than \$20 per immediate family)

Our church family and their guests are invited to join in this time of fellowship and devotion. Please contact the church office with your reservations or complete the form below and place in the offering plate on Sunday. You may pay in advance in the church office or pay at the door.

Name _____

Number of Reservations _____

Transportation Needed _____

Deadline for reservations is Wednesday, Nov. 16.

Student of the Week

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