

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2016

DEACONS: Casey Bass & Mary Daniels
BUS DRIVER: Tommy Bass (482-1099)
BUS RIDER: Mary Daniels
CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Brittney Brabble
AUDIO OPERATOR: Paul Williams
VIDEO OPERATOR: Steven Byrum
OUTREACH COMMITTEE: Marjie Hollowell



NO CHILDREN'S SERMON THIS SUNDAY.

From the Personnel Committee:

Anyone who knows of someone who would be a good candidate for the position of Custodian of our church, please contact a member of the Personnel Committee (John Barrow, Lynne Layton, Joan Privott, Ben Rinehart or Jeff Thatcher).

BICENTENNIAL MOMENTOS

As you do your Christmas shopping, remember all the wonderful items for sale in the church office. *Entertaining A Hope: A Bicentennial History of Edenton Baptist Church*, by Dr. Jesse Croom, is available for \$30. Other commemorative Bicentennial items for sale include beautiful color prints of the church (in two sizes), Christmas ornaments, and bumper stickers.



If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in honor or memory of a loved one, complete the form below and place in the offering plate, or mail to the church office, along with your payment. Cost is \$5.00 per plant. **Order deadline: Sunday, Dec. 4.**

IN HONOR OF _____

IN MEMORY OF _____

GIVEN BY _____

Amount enclosed at \$5.00 per plant _____

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FROM THE PASTOR

Advent is here! It was so enjoyable to worship this past Sunday on the first day of a new year in the Christian calendar. Our choir sang beautifully under Jackie's direction and with the accompaniment of Mardell Barrett at the piano; four different members of our church excelled in their speaking parts in the service; and Bill Norvell's heartfelt words of thanks before the offertory prayer were so appropriate as our Thanksgiving holiday came to its conclusion. Then, to complete the day, so many willing workers helped to provide a wonderful Advent Wreath Workshop that was well-attended and fun. Don't forget to stop by the church office to pick up your copy of our Advent devotional guide with devotionals written by EBC members and beautiful artwork painted by our own children.

Thanks to everyone who made last Sunday such a great start to the Advent season. I look forward to worshipping with you and serving with you throughout this special time of year.

Your pastor,

David

THE INFORMER

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Edenton, North Carolina 27932

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2016

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2016

The Second Sunday of Advent



Deacons Meeting – 8:00am

Hanging of the Green – 11:00 am in the Sanctuary

Sermon: *"The Hopes and Fears of All the Years"*

Isaiah 11:1-10

CBF Offering for Global Missions and Mary's Tree

Remember to pray for the work of our Cooperative Baptist Fellowship missionaries as they share the good news through word and deed. Support these missionaries financially by giving to the Offering for Global Missions. So far our church has given \$2,070.00 toward our goal of \$8,000. For every \$500 that is given, a world globe ornament will be placed upon *Mary's Tree*—our Chrismon Tree in the fellowship hall that is named in loving memory of our long-time organist and assistant music director, Mary Smith.

LECTIONARY READINGS

December 4, 2016
2nd Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 11:1-10
Psalm 72:1-7,18-19
Romans 15:4-13
Matthew 3:1-12



December 11, 2016
3rd Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 35:1-10
Psalm 146:5-10
James 5:7-10
Matthew 11:2-11



Available in the church office.

Birthdays

Sunday, December 4

Tom Bass, Sr.
Ann Buchanan
Betsy Jackson
Larry Smith
Kim Stilley
Anne Ward

Monday, December 5

Hannah Bergevin
Scott Evans

Tuesday, December 6

Eric Bergevin
Angela Kotel
Patricia Sternecker

Wednesday, December 7

Laura White

Thursday, December 8

Travis Ellis
Elaine Ervin
C. J. Jackson
Keith Pierce
Harriet Sawyer

Friday, December 9

Marisa Ellis

Saturday, December 10

Betty Cox
Brenda Sternecker

CALENDAR of ACTIVITIES

Sunday, December 4

8:00-Deacons Meeting
9:45-Sunday School
10:45-Pastor/Deacon Prayer
11:00-Morning Worship
5:30-Youth REAL Talk

Tuesday, December 6

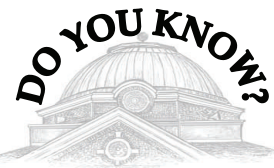
6:00-Laura Harrell Class Party,
Fellowship Hall
7:00-Joyful Noisemakers,
Edenton Primetime

Wednesday, December 7

5:30-Supper
6:00-Children's Choirs
6:30-Adult Bible Study
6:45-Children's Mission Groups
7:30-Adult Choir Practice

Thursday, December 8

7:45-Jesus and Java
10:15-Bookbag Buddies
6:30-Deacon Christmas Party,
Fellowship Hall



After the tenure of which minister did the church decide to sell the parsonage and provide its ministers with a housing allowance?

- A. Robert Crisp
- B. John A. Allen
- C. Kenneth Word

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS OPPORTUNITIES

- **Hanging of the Green** – In our 11:00am worship service this Sunday, December 4, we will decorate our sanctuary and hear the meaning of the various decorations that we see every year at Christmas.
- **Market Street Brass Christmas Concert** – 7:00pm, Saturday, December 10, in our sanctuary. This is the second year we are privileged to host this incredibly-talented ensemble of musicians from Greensboro.
- **Holy Light Christmas Cantata** – Our choir will present their cantata, accompanied by Market Street Brass, in our 11:00am worship service on Sunday, December 11.
- **CBF Missions Celebration** – On Wednesday, December 14, at 6:30pm in the fellowship hall, our children will help us to celebrate our partnership with Cooperative Baptist Fellowship field personnel as they share what they've learned in their Wednesday evening missions education groups. We'll also watch a CBF missions video to learn more about how our CBF field personnel are bearing witness to Jesus Christ throughout our world.
- **White Christmas Offering** – As part of our Bicentennial celebration, we're bringing back a ministry that was once a regular part of our outreach to our community at Christmas. Everyone can participate by bringing non-perishable food items wrapped in white wrapping or tissue paper to the 11:00am worship service on Sunday, December 18. As we sing familiar Christmas carols, we will bring these food offerings forward and place them around our Communion table, asking God to bless the food and use it to nourish the lives of several families in our community who are in need of food assistance. You can also give donations of cash and Food Lion gift cards that will be used to purchase frozen and refrigerated foods for these families.
- **Christmas Eve & Christmas Morning** – Our annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion service will be at 6:00pm in our sanctuary. With Christmas falling on a Sunday this year, we will not have Sunday School on December 25, and our worship will be moved up to 10:30am.

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK

Mrs. Hilda Goodwin
Edenton Primetime
PO Box 987
Edenton, NC 27932

HOSPITAL REPORT (11/30)

Virant Edgecombe, Tarboro
Linda Adams

Student of the Week

Miss Susan Bass
PO Box 3073
Buies Creek, NC 27506



*Twas the first of the week
at the Habitat build.
I wasn't sure what the
worksite would yield.
But what to my wondering
eyes should appear
But 10 pick-up trucks and
12 volunteers!
With hammers and rip-saws
and teamwork galore,
The trim-work and casings
were installed by each door.
Tomorrow the painters will
use brush and caulk.
Oh, if these walls could
only but talk.*

Many thanks to the Edenton Baptist Men who were truly a God-send to keep us on schedule.

Sally Holloway, President
Chowan-Perquimans Habitat
for Humanity

WEEKLY REPORT (11/20)

Offering
Amount Received.....\$8,893.00

Other Monies Received
Wed. Night Supper.....225.25
Thanksgiving Meal.....1,150.00
Memorials.....20.00
Bicentennial Items.....2,773.00
Poinsettias.....5.00
Reimbursements.....240.00
Global Missions.....520.00
TOTAL.....4,933.25

Attendance
Sunday School.....120
Chowan River Nursing.....43
SS TOTAL.....163



WEEKLY REPORT (11/27)

Offering
Amount Received.....\$10,516.71

Other Monies Received
Memorials.....325.00
Bicentennial Items.....30.00
Poinsettias.....195.00
Baptist Men's Breakfast.....52.00
Global Missions.....1,550.00
TOTAL.....2,152.00

Attendance
Sunday School.....104
Chowan River Nursing.....50
SS TOTAL.....154
Worship TOTAL.....248



John A. Allen