

SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2017

DEACONS: Nancy Barrow & Charles Swanner

BUS DRIVER: Mac Privott (619-0616)

BUS RIDER: Charles Swanner

CHILDREN'S SERMON: Patrick Cardwell

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Brittney Brabble

AUDIO OPERATOR: Maurice Bunch

VIDEO OPERATORS: Allen & Claire Mills

BOOK BAG BUDDIES DRIVER (for 5/25): Gary Swanner

OUTREACH COMMITTEE: Ann Hawkins



Congratulations to Carey and Roseanna Parrish on the birth of their son, Carey Yates V, Born on May 10, he weighed 8 lbs. 5 oz. and was 21 inches long. Grandparents are C.Y. Parrish, and also Audrey Smith of Roper. This is the 17th great-grandchild for Yates and Mary Julia Parrish! Blessings to all!



Sunday, May 21

9:45-Sunday School

10:45-Pastor/Deacon Prayer

11:00-Morning Worship

5:30-Youth Messy Game Night

Wednesday, May 24

10:00-Little Goose Nest End of Year Program, 4 year olds

5:30-Supper

6:30-Adult Bible Study

7:30-Adult Choir Practice

Thursday, May 25

7:45-Jesus and Java

10:00-Little Goose Nest End of Year Program, 3 year olds

10:15-Book Bag Buddies

5:30-Handbell Rehearsal

YOUTH Dates to Remember:

June 4 End-of-Year Pool Party, Scotch Hall
11 Graduate Sunday & JAH Baccalaureate
July 16 Mission Trip

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK

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

Anniversaries

Sunday, May 21

M/M John Tipton

Tuesday, May 23

M/M Keith Warren

Thursday, May 25

M/M Gary Stanley

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Homes & Hospitals Offering

During the month of May we take this special offering for the ministries of the Baptist Children's Homes, Baptist Retirement Homes, and the benevolence fund of Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem. Special envelopes are located in the narthex and hallways. The total amount received thus far is \$3,597.00.



**LITTLE
GOOSE NEST**

The EBC gym will close this coming Tuesday, May 23, to allow the Little Goose Nest staff an opportunity to set up for their end-of-year programs scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday of next week. The gym will re-open Thursday, May 25 by 3:00pm.



REQUESTS

Food Pantry:
Spaghetti Sauce

Operation Christmas Child

Shoeboxes:
Crafts & Activities

(pencils, pads, colored pencils, crayons, markers, water colors, coloring books, craft kits, stickers, blocks, jump ropes, books)

This Sunday...

YOUTH MESSY GAME NIGHT

5:30pm

Wear old clothes and bring a towel!

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, MAY 18, 2017

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SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2017

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

"The Blessing of Forgiveness"

1 Peter 3:8-12

... live in harmony
with one another;
be sympathetic,
love as brothers,
be compassionate
and humble.

1 Peter 3:8

WELCOME
New Members

We rejoice that Brian, Joy, and Molly Harvill came forward last Sunday to "officially" unite with our church family. Brian and Joy came by transfer of letter from St. John's United Methodist Church in Fort Mills, SC. Daughter, Molly, came upon her profession of faith seeking baptism. Brian and Joy also have a son, Josh. The Harvill family resides at 205 Dundee Drive. Serving as their family deacon will be David Ray.

LECTIONARY READINGS

May 21, 2017
6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 17:22-31
 Psalm 66:8-20
 1 Peter 3:13-22
 John 14:15-21



May 28, 2017
7th Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:6-14
 Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35
 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11
 John 17:1-11

WEEKLY REPORT (5/14)

Offering

Amount Received \$8,732.20

Other Monies Received

Wednesday Supper	253.00
Reimbursement	10.00
Global Missions	10.00
Homes & Hospitals	1,170.00
Youth Fund	1,000.00
WMU NC	50.00
Alb. Preg. Resourse Ctr.	21.88
Bicentennial Items	30.00
TOTAL	\$2,544.88

Attendance

Sunday School	105
Chowan River Nursing	40
Worship Total	218



Memorial Flowers

Flowers in the sanctuary on Sunday will be given in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. R. West Leary, by their three daughters, in remembrance of their wedding anniversary May 19.

HOSPITAL REPORT (4/18)

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

Birthdays

Monday, May 22

Campbell Brown
 Katherine Smith
 Debra Waff

Thursday, May 25

Bobby Brown

Friday, May 26

Paul Bunch
 Skip Sykes
 Ginny Toppin

Saturday, May 27

Tyler Leary
 Sarah Nixon
 Karen Parks
 Della Mae Rud

The Most Precious Gift

Wow, have I missed this place. More importantly, I've missed all of you! Over the past few weeks, you have made me feel unmistakably appreciated and celebrated, from my surgery to my birthday. In the midst of all of this, I'm reminded of the value of time. When I was younger, the most thrilling moments of my birthday were opening new toys, eating cake, and being the center of attention. But over the past few weeks, I've noticed that's no longer the case. The best moments of my recovery and on my birthday came in the various ways that *you took time* to make me feel valued and loved. From being serenaded in my office by four-year-olds to sharing the crisp refreshment of an Orangeade with Caroline and Ellie to the cards, calls, posts, and greetings that many of you have shared. You took the *time* to think of me - in my recuperation and in celebration - and that means more than I can express.

With the dawn of each day, God offers a gift. It's the simple and joyous gift of time. How do you spend it? On thoughts of worry, anger, jealousy, and complaining? Or do you let it pass you by, doing nothing at all with this opportunity granted from God's grace? The ways in which we use our time reveals what matters most in our lives. After all, time is our most precious commodity. You can get more clothes, more money, more food, more games, toys, and gadgets, but you can't get more time. So I write this in sincere gratitude for the time we've already shared together, for the time that you've taken to make me feel cherished, and for the time that lies ahead to live more fully into God's coming Kingdom.

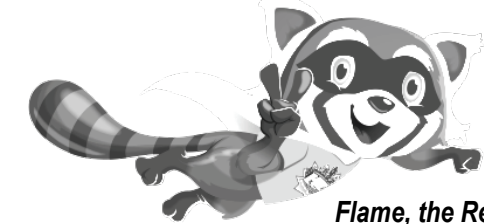
For the gift of my life, for the gift of your lives, for the precious gift of time, and for the priceless gift of this call, I stand in speechless gratitude before God.

In heartfelt appreciation and love,

Patrick

HERO CENTRAL Vacation Bible School

June 19-23
9:00 am-12:00 noon



Flame, the Red Panda

This summer we will take kids on awesome adventures alongside some of their favorite Bible heroes and discover the qualities that make us truly heroic in God! VBS Hero Central uses epic music, spectacular science, crafty crafts, heroic recreation, and fantastic Bible stories to help kids (and leaders) discover their strength in God!

From the moment VBS begins, VBS Hero Central is designed to introduce a child to a deeper relationship with God through Jesus Christ. Each activity is developed, tested, and refined to be an engaging, age-appropriate experience to bring the word of God alive to every participant and volunteer. VBS Hero Central is based on the Bible and the gospel of the living Christ.

All 4 year olds through rising 6th graders are invited to our Vacation Bible School, where they will discover their strength in God!

Our Mission Dollars at Work

Approximately \$40,000.00 of our annual budget of \$527,535.00 is given directly to various mission partners. Please pray for these partners that are supported through the offerings that we give. One of our mission partners is **Meredith College** in Raleigh NC. Grounded in the liberal arts and committed to professional preparation, Meredith College educates and inspires students to live with integrity and provide leadership for the needs, opportunities and challenges of society. Meredith is dedicated to the following core values: integrity, intellectual freedom, academic excellence, responsible global citizenship, personal development, religious diversity, and relevance. To learn more about Meredith College go to www.meredith.edu.

VOLUNTEER POSSIBILITIES FOR SUMMER

- Baptist Men ramp building
- Food Pantry
- Vacation Bible School
- Wednesday delivery of Fellowship-to-Go meals