

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2017

DEACONS: Nancy Barrow & Charles Swanner
BUS DRIVER: Gene Nixon (482-8281)
BUS RIDER: Charles Swanner
AUDIO OPERATOR: Gary Swanner
VIDEO OPERATOR: Susie Swanner
CHILDREN'S SERMON: Mary Anne Croom
CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Maria Tritt
OUTREACH: Michael Smith
BOOK BAG BUDDIES DRIVER (10/12): David McCall



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DEACON NOMINATIONS ON SUNDAY

Sunday, October 8

Each member of Edenton Baptist Church who is present at Sunday morning worship may nominate up to seven eligible church members.

At least one week prior to the last Sunday in October

The list of seven nominees shall be published in *The Informer* and announced in the morning worship service.

Sunday, October 29

The names of the seven nominees shall be presented to the congregation for election at a special church conference.



Eligibility to serve as a Deacon: Must be 21 years of age and have been a resident member of EBC for at least two years.

Members ineligible to be nominated: An active deacon; the spouse of a deacon who will be active during the next church year; an adult child or a parent of a deacon who will be active during the next year; and a current staff member.

Hurricane Relief

If you would like to help those who have been affected by recent hurricanes, you can make a donation to the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship (CBF) through our church office, online at www.cbf.net, or by sending your donation to Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, PO Box 102972, Atlanta, GA 30368-2972. Be sure to include "CBF Hurricane Response" in the memo line.

NC Missions Offering
Total Received:
4,055.00



Memorial Flowers

Flowers in the sanctuary this Sunday will be given in memory of Mrs. Gayle O. Gieseke, by her family and friends, in remembrance of her birthday, October 3.

HOSPITAL REPORT (10/5)

Vidant Medical Center

Jack Hardison

Chowan Hospital

Linda Adams

REMEMBER THE
FOOD PANTRY!

TRUNK-OR-TREAT



EBC Halloween fun is scheduled for Sunday, October 29 from 4:00-5:30pm in the parking lot. We need your help with donations of candy for the event. A box is placed in the back hallway, and we thank you for your generosity.

Shut-Ins of the Week

Kenneth & Joe Griffin
Litchford Falls Nursing Care
8200 Litchford Drive
Raleigh, NC 27615

Student of the Week

Miss Susan Bass
PO Box 3073
Buies Creek, NC 27506

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2017

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost



A Portrait of God"
Exodus 20:1-21

YOUTH ON MISSION

All youth are asked to meet at the church on Sunday at 2:00pm. The afternoon will be spent helping out at the Food Pantry by cleaning, restocking, moving boxes, etc. There will be time for Bible study before sharing an early dinner (Dutch treat). We should be finished with everything by 5:30pm.

LECTIONARY READINGS

October 8, 2017

18th Sun. after Pentecost

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Psalms 19

Philippians 3:4b-14

Matthew 21:33-46



October 15, 2017

19th Sun. after Pentecost

Exodus 32:1-14

Psalms 106:1-6, 19-23

Philippians 4:1-9

Matthew 22:1-14

Save the Dates for JOY CLUB Fun!

Tuesday, October 17 - Sylvan Heights Bird Park

Leave for Scotland Neck at 10:30am & return around 4:30pm

Admission for age 62+ is \$10.00 with picnic lunch provided

Deadline for sign up is Sunday, October 8

Thursday, November 9 - Lunch at Coinjock Marina

Details to follow in upcoming newsletters

Thursday, December 14 - The Christmas Story

Depart at 9:00am for COA

More information coming! RSVP: Anna Copeland - 435-5272



Join us for Handbells beginning this Monday at 5:30pm in room 200.

SAVE THE DATE!

Children's Missions Day

November 4
Oakmont Baptist Church
Greenville, NC

For more information,
see Patrick!

WEEKLY REPORT (10/1)

Offering

Amount Received \$10,662.00

Other Monies Received

Community Missions	178.53
Wed. Night Supper	264.00
Youth Fund	307.00
NC Missions Offering	125.00
Food Pantry	50.00
Alb. Preg. Resource Ctr.	3.32
Reimbursement	35.00
TOTAL	\$962.85

Attendance

Sunday School	106
Chowan River Nursing	38
Worship	159

FROM THE PASTOR

Like you, I was saddened and shocked by the shooting in Las Vegas that left several dozen dead and several hundred wounded. It is hard to make sense of such a terrible thing. I cannot fully imagine the grief of those whose loved ones died in the massacre, and we know that it will take lots of care and time for healing to come to those families and to those who were injured.

In the face of such senseless and frightening tragedy, we as followers of Jesus can be intentional to live out our faith in several ways.

First, we can pray. We have a God who cares for this world and for every person. So, we pray that God will give comfort and strength to everyone who is affected by the Las Vegas shooting. We also pray that God will help us with our own anxiety or worry about living in what can often be a dangerous world. Time and again, we can turn to one of the most direct and helpful instructions that Paul wrote: "Do not be anxious or worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and petition with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:6-7).

Second, we can do simple things to work against violence in our midst. In a world of 7.5 billion people, it seems useless to try to work against the larger forces and systemic problems that lead to acts of terrorism, senseless murder, and violent hate crimes. But who knows what building a friendship with a lonely or neglected person might do to prevent a potential violent act? Who knows what positive effect a letter to a senator or representative might have? Who knows what good can come from reading to an elementary-aged child, tutoring an adolescent, or visiting a prisoner? These and other simple acts of Christian ministry might seem like a drop in the bucket, but God can use one life to make a powerful impact on so many. A seed can be planted through our words and actions that might one day bear much fruit.

Finally, as we wonder where God is in such terrible violence and deadly tragedies, it is better for us to say too little than too much. Too often we look for a way to fit tragedy into the will of God, but there is no need to do that. God is just as frustrated as we are, and God is certainly not the cause of such pain and suffering. Instead, we can be assured that God is with us in the midst of our sorrow and our grief. God understands our questions and walks with us in the valleys of life. God will give us strength.

Grace and peace,
David

Which Way, Lord?

Our focus for week three of this 6-week study will be *Facing Adversity*: Relying on God when tough times come. Join us on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm in the fellowship hall.

Fun, Food, Fellowship

If you are interested in joining a ladies' Sunday school class, the GIFT (Growing in Faith Together) class invites you to join them this Sunday, October 8 from 3:00-5:00pm at the home of Karen Fleetwood (118 Cove Drive). Call Karen at 337-5114 or Wanda Small at 333-9891 if you have any questions.

Birthdays

Sunday, October 8

Grayson Rierson

Wednesday, October 11

Thurston Jolly

Jane Parrish

David Ray

Thursday, October 12

Larry Cinkovich

Vicky Warren

William B. White

Friday, October 13

Heath Ellis

Hilda Goodwin

Abram Jenkins

Ingrid Pierce

Saturday, October 14

Jennifer Bergevin

Kimberly Rea

Tom Ward

Camille White

Anniversaries

Thursday, October 12

M/M Allen Mills.

Saturday, October 14

M/M Robert Shupe

Calendar of Activities

Sunday, October 8

9:45-Sunday School

10:45-Pastor/Deacon Prayer

11:00-Morning Worship

2:00-Youth Meet at Church

3:00-GIFT Class, Fleetwood's

Monday, October 9

5:30-Handbells, Room 200

7:00-Son Beams Group,
Jenny Williams

Tuesday, October 10

10:00-Combined WMU Groups,
Fellowship Hall

1:00-7:00-Blood Drive

Wednesday, October 11

5:30-Supper

6:00-Children's Choirs

6:30-Adult Bible Study

6:45-Children's Missions

7:30-Adult Choir Practice

Thursday, October 12

7:45-Jesus & Java, Coffee Shop

10:15-Book Bag Buddies,
EBC Parking Lot