

## Birthdays

### Sunday, November 19

Susan Bass

### Monday, November 20

Melvin Baker

David Dail, Jr.

### Tuesday, November 21

Dawn Broadwell

### Wednesday, November 22

Jim Leggett

Mary Ann White

### Thursday, November 23

Barbara Elbualy

Georgia Kate Thompson

### Friday, November 24

Linda Cook

Hawk Crummey

Steve Leary

### Saturday, November 25

Ann Morgan

### Sunday, November 26

Samuel Cox

Barbara Hollowell

Tony Hughes

### Monday, November 27

Richard Elliott

Mary Swanner

Sid White

### Tuesday, November 28

Sara Alligood

Anna P. Bass

Don Faircloth

Nathan Surratt

### Wednesday, November 29

Don Small

Tim Smith

Paul Stallings

### Thursday, November 30

Leanne Clayton

Chris Perry

Nell Perry

### Friday, December 1

Billy Frances

Toni Kuykendall

### Saturday, December 2

Karen Fleetwood

## CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

### Sunday, November 19

9:45-Sunday School

10:45-Pastor/Deacon Prayer

11:00-Morning Worship

5:00-Thanksgiving Dinner

### Monday, November 20

3:00-Laura Harrell Class,

Edenton Primetime

5:30-Handbells, Room 200

### Wednesday, November 22

12:00-Church Office Closes

*No Supper, Bible Study, Kid's*

*Activities, or Adult Choir Practice*

### Thursday, November 23

Happy Thanksgiving

### Friday, November 24

Office Closed

### Sunday, November 26

8:30-Baptist Men's Breakfast

9:45-Sunday School

10:45-Pastor/Deacon Prayer

11:00-Morning Worship

5:00-Advent Wreath Workshop

### Monday, November 27

5:30-Handbells, Room 200

### Wednesday, November 29

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 30

7:45-Jesus & Java

10:15-Book Bag Buddies

**Note:** Clyde Adams has been recommended to serve as the seventh deacon for 2018-2020 term. The church will vote on this Sunday, December 10.

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### ***Thanksgiving Holiday Schedule Changes:***

- The church office will close at noon on Wednesday, Nov. 22 and remain closed the rest of the week.
- There will be no supper, Bible study, or children's activities or adult choir practice on Wednesday, Nov. 23.
- ***Double Informer this week!*** Be sure to hold on to this two-week edition of *The Informer*. Your next newsletter will be mailed on Nov. 30.

## *Advent & Christmas Events*

### **Sunday, December 3 ~ 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent**

\* 11:00AM - Hanging of the Greens Service

\* Lighting the candle of Hope



### **Saturday, December 9**

\* 7:00PM - Market Street Brass in Concert, Sanctuary

### **Sunday, December 10 ~ 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

\* 11:00AM - Market Street Brass, Guests in Worship

\* Lighting of Candle of Peace

### **Sunday, December 17 ~ 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

\* 11:00AM - Adult Choir Cantata

\* Lighting of the Candle of Joy

### **Sunday, December 24 ~ 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**

\* No Sunday School

\* 10:00AM - Special Music by Handbell and Angel Choirs in

Worship

\* Lighting of the Candle of Love

\* 6:00PM - Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service

# THE INFORMER

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Edenton, North Carolina 27932

*A Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Congregation*

**David B. Brooks**

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## **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2017**

**Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

### **HARVEST SUNDAY**

Please give generously to our Harvest Sunday Offering this Sunday in morning worship. A special envelope is enclosed in this newsletter. They are also available in the narthex, office, and back hallway.

### **CHURCH-WIDE THANKSGIVING DINNER**

**5:00pm in Fellowship Hall**

*Desserts should be dropped off at Fellowship Hall Sunday morning, not at time of dinner.*

## **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2017**

**Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

Baptist Men's Breakfast, 8:30am

### **ADVENT WREATH WORKSHOP**

**5:00pm in Fellowship Hall**

*Please bring garden shears & a plate or pie pan.*

## LECTIONARY READINGS

November 19, 2017  
**24<sup>th</sup> Sun. after Pentecost**  
 Judges 4:1-7  
 Psalm 123  
 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11  
 Matthew 25:14-30

November 26, 2017  
**25<sup>th</sup> Sun. after Pentecost**  
 Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24  
 Psalm 100  
 Ephesians 1:15-23  
 Matthew 25:31-46

### Students of the Week

#### Week of Nov. 19-25

Mr. P. J. Bunch  
 3400 N. Wesleyan Blvd.  
 Rocky Mount, NC 27804

#### Week of Nov. 26-Dec. 2

Miss Marisa Ellis  
 Gateway West, Room 366  
 100 E. Fifth Street  
 Greenville, NC 27858

### Shut-Ins of the Week

#### Week of Nov. 19-25

Mr. John Rogerson  
 Hertford Manor  
 462 Two Mile Desert Rd.  
 Hertford, NC 27944

#### Week of Nov. 26-Dec. 2

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

### Anniversaries

#### Tuesday, November 21

M/M Bobby Lane

#### Friday, November 24

M/M Skip Sykes

#### Monday, November 27

M/M Joseph Goodwin

#### Tuesday, November 28

M/M Johnny Layton

#### Friday, December 1

M/M Jim Parrish

### 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 **Emergency Aid Fund**, a local effort that provides a means by which church and individuals can assist those in need of emergency aid with rent, power bills, heating fuel, gasoline, and prescription drugs.

### HOSPITAL REPORT (11/16)

At printing time we knew of no members in the hospital.

### WEEKLY REPORT (11/12)

#### Offering

Amount Received \$7,441.17

#### Other Monies Received

Wed. Night Supper 240.00

Memorial Gifts 360.00

Youth Fund 110.00

Baptist Men 128.32

Reimbursements 395.00

TOTAL \$1,233.32

#### Attendance

Sunday School 115

Chowan River Nursing 35

Worship 178

## Gratitude and Giving

Thanksgiving is upon us! I wish you a wonderful and relaxing time with family and friends as we pause next Thursday to give thanks to God. Before the holiday arrives, we'll gather together around tables in our fellowship hall this Sunday evening at 5:00pm for our annual church Thanksgiving dinner. It's always an enjoyable and delightful time to reflect on why we are thankful for Edenton Baptist Church. It's also a time to enjoy some delicious food provided by our social committee and those who provide a variety of desserts. I hope you're planning to be there!

Earlier on Sunday, we will worship at 11:00am with a focus on giving thanks and giving generously to our Harvest Day Offering. Please take a moment to consider how much you can give as an extra offering this Sunday to help us close the gap between our expenses and our year-to-date giving. Not everyone gives 10% of their income every month as an offering to God, but let's strive to do so for the month of November by giving generously to our Harvest Day Offering. You can find a Harvest Day Offering envelope in this newsletter.

Think of those times in life when you gave a great gift to someone because of your love for that person. More than likely, you were willing to give up spending your money on some other things so that you could show your love for that person by giving him/her the gift. In the same way, Harvest Day can be an opportunity for each of us to show our deep gratitude to God by giving up spending on something else so that we can give freely and abundantly to this offering that will support the various ministries of our church. Gratitude and generosity have always been closely tied to one another. When we are blessed by God's generosity, the gifts of love and life, honest work and times of rest, friendships, family, and most wonderfully relationship with Jesus who walks with us each day, how can we not give freely from our resources to say thanks to God? "Freely you have received," Jesus said, "freely give" (Mt 10:8).

Grace and peace,

David

### Memorial Flowers

The flowers in the sanctuary November 19 will be given in loving memory of Bill and Virginia Wells, by their family, to commemorate their wedding anniversary November 27.

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2017

**DEACONS:** Wanda Small & Al Ward  
**BUS DRIVER:** Ben Rinehart (333-6467)  
**BUS RIDER:** Wanda Small  
**AUDIO OPERATOR:** Keith Privott  
**VIDEO OPERATOR:** Paul Stallings  
**CHILDREN'S SERMON:** Patrick Cardwell  
**CHILDREN'S CHURCH:** Chrystal Parrish  
**OUTREACH:** Elaine Ervin



## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2017

**DEACONS:** Casey Bass & Gary Swanner  
**BUS DRIVER:** Mac Privott (619-0616)  
**BUS RIDER:** Gary Swanner  
**AUDIO OPERATOR:** Bob Partin  
**VIDEO OPERATOR:** Holly Smith  
**CHILDREN'S SERMON:** Mary Anne Croom  
**CHILDREN'S CHURCH:** Maria Tritt  
**OUTREACH:** Marjie Hollowell  
**BOOK BAG BUDDIES DRIVER (11/30):** Myron Broadwell



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 of \$5.00 per plant. **Order deadline is Thursday, Nov. 30.**

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**IN HONOR OF** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**IN MEMORY OF** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**GIVEN BY** \_\_\_\_\_

**Amount enclosed at \$5.00 per plant** \_\_\_\_\_

*Plants should **not** be picked up until **after** the Candlelight Service on Christmas Eve!*