

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, May 17

- 7:45AM Staff Meeting
- 9:00AM Youth Choir
- 9:45AM Sunday School
- 11:00AM Worship and Communion
- 5:00PM Youth

WEDNESDAY, May 20

- 5:00PM Family Night Meal (Baked Spaghetti, Tossed Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert)
- 7:00PM Sanctuary Choir

THURSDAY, May 21

- 7:00PM NSHS Spring Concert

SATURDAY, May 23

- 11:00AM FBC/Community Table Lunch

SUNDAY, May 24 Morrow Mountain Ministry begins

Sunday School Attendance 05/10	144
Worship Attendance 05/10	188
Weekly Budget Requirement	\$10,472.48
Budget Receipts 04/19	\$7,664.00
YTD Budget Receipts 03/31	\$124,959.75
YTD Expenses thru 03/31	\$119,053.01

SCCM monthly need for May is boxed/canned pasta meals.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Constitution & By-Laws Committee along with the Deacons are making a recommendation for several proposed changes in our church's Constitution and By-Laws. Copies of the proposed changes can be found in the church office or on the church's website (www.fbc-albemarle.org). Discussion of the changes will be held on Wednesday, May 20 after the fellowship meal. The vote will be held during worship on Sunday, May 31.

FLOWER CALENDAR

The FBC Flower Calendar still has many Sunday's available for selection. If you have flowers in your garden and would like to share, or if you would like to acknowledge a birthday, anniversary, or special occasion, just reserve the date and let the office know if you want a memo in the bulletin.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help with the Mobile Food Pantry. 215 people were served

JOY TRIPS

Tuesday, June 16: Samaritan's Purse/Operation Christmas Child and McAlister's Deli. Leave church at 10:30AM. Cost: \$5.00.

FBC DAY CAMP THEMES

- June 29-July 2 - Day Camp** (Water Theme featuring water games, pool, and other water activities)
- July 6-10 - Day Camp** (Outdoor Adventure Theme featuring hiking, challenge course and other outdoor activities)
- July 20-24 - Day Camp** (Rainforest/Jungle Theme featuring a day trip to the zoo)

WILL YOU HELP?

Stanly County residents 15 years old and older are asked to complete the following survey. The Stanly County Health Department and Stanly Regional Medical Center are conducting this community health assessment survey to: 1) to learn more about the health and quality of life in the county, 2) to identify needs in the community, 3) to determine the community's view of these needs, and 4) to access grant funds. The results of this anonymous survey will be compiled and available on the Stanly County government webpage (www.co.stanly.nc.us) and Stanly Regional Medical Center webpage (www.stanly.org) after November 30, 2015.

Thank you for helping partner with us to gather this information about our county. The survey takes less than 10 minutes to complete. Please feel free to forward this survey link; the more responses, the better the data!

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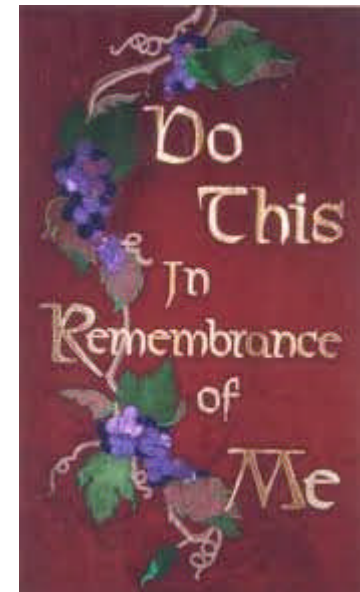
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Deadline for submissions is Tuesday noon.

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COMMUNION
Sunday
May 17, 2015

From the Desk of Andy Jung...

As Christians, our responsibility is to take on the yoke of Christ because his yoke is easy and his burden is light. The word “Christian” is translated as “little Christs.” Contemporary theologians like Dallas Willard, Henri Nouwen and James Bryan Smith all suggest Christians should be apprentices of Jesus. It is vital for each of us to continue to grow in Christ, no matter our stage of life because we realize our faith is a life-long journey.

In order to help those seeking a deeper relationship with Jesus, we are forming a new ministry called the Delta Ministry. In Greek, delta (Δ) denotes change. Change is what we desire in our lives. Our goal is to change our lives to reflect that of Christ. This new Delta Ministry is designed for small groups of men or women (no more than 3-4 people) to grow deeper in Christ and with one another. It is journey that will take somewhere between 1-2 years to develop the spiritual disciplines and trust among one another. Each Delta Group will determine the time and frequency of the meetings.

The key to this ministry will depend on the mentors (Delta Leaders) who will facilitate the small groups. Being a spiritual mentor does not mean that a person has to have it all together. It simply means that a person is willing to help guide the conversations and take the lead in caring for one another in the small group. If you are interested in being a Delta Leader, training will be held on Saturday, May 30 from 9am-noon in the fellowship hall. Please let me know if you are planning to attend.

This Sunday, we will finish our series on “Love is a Verb” as we look at 1 John 5:9-13 to see how God’s testimony gives us a testimony to share with the world. We will also gather around the communion table to remember Christ’s ultimate show of love. In addition, as part of our outward expression of our gratitude for Christ’s love, we will take up a love offering for SCCM to help our neighbors in need. See you on Sunday. Andy

Deacon of the Week

Jackie Burpeau

May17 – May 23

Our Church Family

Continual Care: Mildred & Kenneth Archer, Mildred Cooper, Hazel Townsend, Betty Zimmerman, Joan English, Mary Furr, Ann Gaskin, Leroy & Frances Newton, Nancy Jo Harwood, Helen Mauldin, Jack Bane, Max Clayton, Hilda Woodruff, Aileen Taylor, Christine Snuggs, Ramelle & Herman Faulkner, Helen Lockamy, Dennie Carpenter, Louise Poplin

PRAYER LIST

Diane Vanhoy, David Isenhour, Tonia Icenhour, Horace C. Owens, Kathy Hinkle, Dr. Bill Hatley, David Sanges, Shirley Beal, Lois Greene, Sammy Hopkins, Lu Phelps, Gene Moose, Ruth Oettinger, Mandy Eudy, J.C. Boone Doug Coley, Jacob Andrew Meservey

SYMPATHY

Christian love and sympathy to the family of Loutee Broome in her passing.

MEMORIALS

General Fund

Joann Morton by M/M Eddie Dixon and
M/M David Bird & Family

Bette Wagoner by M/M Maurice Radford

Pokey Roache by M/M Maurice Radford

Bette Wagoner by M/M Larry Roush

Joann Morton by M/M Steve Sasser

Joann Morton by M/M David Horton

Bette Wagoner by Stan & Kay Weathersbee

Music Fund

Joann Morton by Jean Hendley

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Joann Morton by M/M Larry Roush

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Joann Morton by J.T. Russell & Sons

Organ Fund

Joann Morton by Geraldine Springer

HONORARIA

General Fund

Coach Furr by Anonymous

****** Upcoming Youth Schedule: ******

May 17 – Youth 5:00PM

May 24 – NO Youth (Memorial Day)

May 31 – Youth 5:00PM

June 07 – Youth 5:00PM

YOUTH

It does not take long in the world today to find conflict. Watch the news, walk the halls of a school, or, unfortunately, visit a church. I found this funny little story that tells you exactly what I mean.

There’s a story about six men who were stranded on a deserted island. Two were Jewish, two were Catholic, and two were Baptist. The two Jews got together and founded the Temple Immanuel. The two Catholics established the Church of the Holy Name. The two Baptists formed two Baptist churches and got into a squabble over who got to use the name, “First Baptist”!

We live in a culture where everyone thinks that their way is the best way. In a lot of cases they also believe it is the only way. This often lies at the root of conflict. We are called to find the common ground and to love. Paul tells us in Philippians 2:1-4 *“So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.”*

Paul is saying that our motivation in this world (and our Churches) should be to spread Christ’s love not promote our own personal agenda. We must put aside our own sense of importance so that we can see the needs of those around us. Can you imagine if everyone lived that way? My challenge to you this week is to reflect on any conflicts in your life. See if you can find common ground so that you can move forward for Christ.

Have a blessed week. Michael