

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

### SUNDAY, August 23

- 7:45AM Staff Meeting
- 9:30AM Morrow Mountain Ministry
- 9:45AM Sunday School
- 11:00AM Worship
- 12:00PM Youth Choir
- 5:00PM Youth

### MONDAY, August 24 School Starts

### WEDNESDAY, August 26

- 6:15PM Cathedral Bells
- 7:15PM Sanctuary Choir

### THURSDAY, August 27

- 6:00PM NC Baptist on Mission Region 6  
Mission Celebration

### SUNDAY, August 30

Covered Dish Lunch and Church Conference

Sunday School Attendance 08/16	170
Worship Attendance 08/16	176
Weekly Budget Requirement	\$10,472.48
Budget Receipts 07/26	\$5,939.07
YTD Budget Receipts 07/31	\$301,243.04
YTD Expenses thru 07/31	\$292,694.15

## MEMORIALS

### General Fund

- Erin Phillips by M/M Max Clayton
- Joe Bates by M/M Max Clayton
- Erin Phillips by M/M Tony Oettinger
- Erin Phillips by M/M David Bird & Family
- Susan Adams by M/M David Bird & Family

### Organ Fund

- J.C. & Ruby Morris by Judge and Joanna Morgan
- Sharon Adams by Jack & Susan Phillips
- Erin Phillips by M/M Roger Turbeville
- Sharon Adams by Stan & Kay Weathersbee
- Erin Phillips by Stan & Kay Weathersbee
- Joe Bates by Stan & Kay Weathersbee
- Erin Phillips by M/M Ron Burris

SCCM need for August is canned & dried beans.

## MORROW MOUNTAIN MINISTRY

Morrow Mountain Ministry team for August 22-23:

- Chairman: Olivia Sweet
- Speaker: Ed Thomas
- Sound: Bob Sweet

Materials and equipment may be picked up in the FBC office before 2:00PM on Friday.

## THANK YOU

Dear First Baptist Church of Albemarle,

There are no words to express how thankful I am for the love and grace of your servant hearts. It was such a blessing to work with the children and youth, worship with the congregation, go on the mission trip and meet every single one of my brothers and sisters in Christ.

Thank you for taking me in as one of your own.

From the kind words at church to eating meals together and showing me all the treasures in Albemarle! Thank you for enabling my passion and entrusting me with working with your children and youth, running day camps and going on trips. This summer was one of the greatest experiences I've ever had and FBC will always have a special place in my heart. I know that I can call this church home and I'm going to miss my family deeply. I thank the Lord every day for this amazing opportunity and for the love and passion from the entire church. I know the future holds great things for First Baptist

In Christ, Brittan Coats  
Ephesians 4:15-16

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*Deadline for submissions is Tuesday noon.*

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# PRAY FOR STUDENTS



# Monday, August 24

## From the Desk of Andy Jung...

Someone wise once said, “Time does not pass, it continues.” A year has passed since the beginning of our journey together. As I look back, the year seemed like only a day as time has moved quickly. However, as I reflect on what we have accomplished as a congregation, it seems we have been together for many years. I am proud of the progress we have made together and I look forward to what God has in store for us in the upcoming year.

As we enter into year two, I can sense the momentum building. Many of you have made comments about your renewed desire for discipleship. You have recognized that our discipleship journey is not something we do by ourselves. It is a journey we take together as a body of Christ, encouraging one another along the way. I look forward to continuing on this journey with one another.

As an outflow of our apprenticeship, I see us impacting the community in small but significant ways. Lives are being impacted through our servant hearts and loving actions. We are sharing the gospel naturally through relationships and as a result, people are being drawn to a relationship with God.

Often when I am out in the community, people will recognize me (which is not hard to do) and tell me about a way they have been touched either by our members or through one of our ministries. In these moments, I am reminded how blessed and thankful I am to be your pastor. One thing I am sure about is that God is at work through us. Let us keep our eyes on Him!

This Sunday, we will have a special time of prayer for our teachers and students as they prepare to start a new school year. We will also continue our series on *A Growing Church* as we look at how we should live as faithful followers of Jesus. See you on Sunday! Andy

**Deacon of the Week**  
**Jamie Kimrey August 23– August 29**

## Our Church Family

Continual Care: Mildred & Kenneth Archer, Mildred Cooper, Hazel Townsend, 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, Gene Moose

### PRAYER LIST

Horace C. Owens, Dr. Bill Hatley, David Sanges, Lu Phelps, Doug Coley, Brendan Hearne, Tracy Lee, Lucy Johnson, Diane Powell, Clement Hahn, H. O. Hicks, Don & Carol Brummitt, Betty Hartley, Gary Falk, Betty Mabry, Steve Sasser, Joe Stoker

### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Karmen and Nathan Russell on the birth of their son, James Wells Russell, on August 14. He weighed 7pounds 4ounces and was 21 inches long.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR....

Reminder: Wednesday night family meals begin on September 2<sup>nd</sup>. We will begin this first night with a committee organization night. Due to the importance of everyone’s presence at these committee meetings there will be no Wednesday night children’s activities. Childcare will be available upon request. If you need childcare please call the church office. Committees that will be meeting are: Audio/Visual, Bereavement, Constitution, Finance, Financial Oversight, Flower, Lord’s Supper, Missions, Nominating, Personnel, Preschool, Property and Grounds, Recreation, Strategic Planning, and Trust Management.

### \*\*\*\* Upcoming Youth Schedule: \*\*\*\*

August 23: 5:00PM – Youth  
August 30: 5:00PM – Youth  
September 6: The McGuire’s in Woodrun  
September 13: 5:00PM - Youth  
September 20: 5:00PM-7:00PM Sticky Faith Study kick-off  
(Parents and Youth)

## FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS

I have many positive memories from my childhood. Times spent at family gatherings during the holidays are some of my favorite memories. Most of my family lived in the area so these gatherings were generally large and often very loud (this should not be a surprise if you know any of my family). I can remember the children running around playing, adults having conversations and laughing but most of all I remember LOTS of food. I can also remember when it came time to sit down and eat there were so many of us that it took several tables for everyone to find a seat. And like at most family gatherings, these were divided into the kid’s and adult tables. I can remember wondering what the “big table” was all about and looking forward to my turn sitting there. But I also remember the feeling of how separated we were. Not unhappy, but detached in a way that I did not understand. Powell and Griffin use this very analogy in explaining the second shift in behavior we must have to establish a faith that sticks in our young people.

### Shift from a two-table church to welcoming young people around one family table

Fuller Youth Institute research shows that many kids who have grown up in the church don’t actually know the church at all. They know their youth group but not the church as a whole. We too often isolate kids to “be with their own” at the expense of their understanding and connection to the church family. Even more unfortunate is the reality that as we get “more successful” at youth ministry the line of separation tends to grow more defined. To support the creation of a strong foundation of faith that will allow young people to maintain that faith into adulthood, we must rethink our approach. It is imperative we learn how to create an environment where everyone sits around one table as a family of faith.

Michael.