

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

### SUNDAY, November 8

- 8:00AM Deacon's Meeting
- 8:45AM Youth Handbells
- 9:45AM Sunday School
- 11:00AM Worship
- 12:00PM Youth Choir
- 5:00PM Youth

### TUESDAY, November 10

- 6:00PM Property Committee Meeting

### WEDNESDAY, November 11 VETERANS' Day

- 5:15PM Family Night Meal (Taco Soup w/Fixins' Chips, Dessert)
- 6:00PM *The Good and Beautiful Life Study*
- 6:00PM Youth, GA's, RA's, Mission Friends
- 6:15PM Cathedral Bells
- 7:15PM Sanctuary Choir

### FRIDAY, November 13 – SUNDAY, November 15

Youth Fall Retreat

### SUNDAY, November 15

#### Covered Dish Lunch/Church Conference

Sunday School Attendance 11/01	171
Worship Attendance 11/01	200
Weekly Budget Requirement	\$10,472.48
Budget Receipts 10/25	\$7,464.00
YTD Budget Receipts 10/31	\$444,195.76
YTD Expenses thru 10/31	\$430,035.85

#### MEMORIALS

##### General Fund

Joe Stoker by M/M Bob Sweet

Hilda Woodruff by M/M Bob Sweet

##### Organ Fund

Hilda Woodruff by Glenda & Wallace Hales

#### HONORARIA

##### Organ Fund

Abbie Burris by the Service Class

Jane & Jerry Myers by Geraldine Springer

#### THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Raleigh Women's Prison ministry. 70 bars of soap were collected.

## UPCOMING TRIPS & YOU ARE INVITED!

\*\*\*Thursday, December 3: Billy Graham Christmas at the Library. Bus leaves at 4:45PM. Cost: \$5.00. Dinner (on your own) at The Graham Brothers Dairy Bar at the library

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Flower Committee is in need of volunteers to help decorate the church for the upcoming Advent season. The committee will be working immediately following the worship service on Nov. 22. Lunch will be provided for the volunteers. If you can help, please contact Debbie Frick.

SCCM need for November is canned vegetables.

SCCM total food donation for October: 68 pounds.

**REMINDER: No children's music Sunday, November 8**

### SANGES FUNDRAISER

A fundraiser benefit for Dave Sanges will be at The Eagle's Nest at Tillery Tradition on Friday, November 13 from 11:00AM to 9:00PM. Chicken and Dumplings will be served for dine in or take out. Advance tickets are \$12.00 and are available in the church office.

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*Deadline for submissions is Tuesday noon.*

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## SHOEBOX DEDICATION



**SUNDAY**  
**November 15, 2015**

## From the Desk of Andy Jung...

Life has its challenges. Some are dealing with physical challenges with sickness and injuries. Some are dealing with relational issues with co-workers, family members and friends. Others are dealing with financial hardships due to numerous circumstances. There is no doubt there are trying seasons in our lives for whatever reasons.

Many in our congregation are facing these difficult seasons in their lives. However, I have witnessed our church pull together and support one another. Some have taken food. Others have made phone calls. Some have provided rides to appointments or provided companionship. Many have prayed fervent prayers for healing and comfort. You have been a beautiful picture of true community.

The Greek word for fellowship is koinonia. It is the word that is used to describe the community found in Acts 2. The koinonia fellowship of the early church shared life together by caring for each other and sharing one another's resources. This is the type of community I've witnessed especially over the past several weeks. I am so thankful for the spirit of our church family and how so many of you have offered yourselves to one another.

In Deuteronomy 31, we find a great promise of the Lord that we hold on to in our lives. As Moses was turning over his leadership to Joshua, he reminds the Israelites that the Lord is with them no matter the opposition they may face. "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you." (v. 6) I certainly believe this to be true. I believe that God is present in our lives through the presence of Christ in our church family.

So if you are going through a difficult season, do not be afraid. The Lord is with you. Your church family is with you. No matter what you might be walking through, you can trust that God will never leave you nor forsake you and neither will your community of faith. Be strong and courageous.

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This Sunday, we will continue our study of The Good and Beautiful Life as we look at the well-known passage of Christ teaching us to not worry in life. Is this even possible? Let's talk about it together.

See you on Sunday! Andy

### Deacon of the Week

Ric Cain

November 8–November 14

## 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, Aileen Taylor, Christine Snuggs, Ramelle & Herman Faulkner, Helen Lockamy, Dennie Carpenter, Louise Poplin, Gene Moose, Barbara Hicks, Mary Sullivan, Don & Carol Brummitt

### PRAYER LIST

Dr. Bill Hatley, David Sanges, Lu Phelps, Tracy Lee, Brendan Hearne, Diane Powell, Clement Hahn, Steve Sasser, Sandy & David Young, Linda Hilton, Sue Hunsucker, Fran Andrew, Martha Lowder, Lori Stiller, Lucy Johnson, Bonnie Herring, Buck Hill, Brian Jones

### HELP WANTED

Volunteers are needed to complete the schedule for Children's Church, Pager Attendants and Extended Session Nursery Workers for 2015-2016. Please contact Connie Weavil to sign up. Call or text: [336-225-0298](tel:336-225-0298) or email: [mweavil5@triad.rr.com](mailto:mweavil5@triad.rr.com).

### THANK YOU

A thank you card to FBC has been received from the family of Erin Phillips. It is posted on the bulletin board outside the church office.

### POINSETTIAS

Advent Poinsettias will be in the sanctuary on Sunday, November 29 for the Hanging of the Green service. **Deadline for ordering: Monday, November 23.** Contact the office for memorials or honoraria. Cost: \$12.00 each.

## YOUTH SCHEDULE

November 8 – 5:00PM Youth

November 13-15 – Youth Fall Retreat

### FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS

A lament is a passionate expression of grief or sorrow or an expression of regret or disappointment; a complaint often expressed in song, music or poem. The word lament is not one that we often use anymore. It was, however, a normal way of communicating with God for many of our Old Testament writers. Many of the Psalms contain laments. There is an entire book called Lamentations written by the prophet Jeremiah expressing his deep grief after the fall of Jerusalem in 587 BC. People of the Old Testament regularly communicated their sorrow and confusion to God. We have lost that today. It seems to us that we are whining, or blaming God, for the things that are causing pain in our lives. We feel a sense of guilt. I think this is far from the truth. If we are in a deep meaningful relationship with God then we should be able to go to him with anything. Who better than God, to take our deepest hurting and sense of loss to? Paul reminds us in Romans 8 that nothing can separate us from the love of God. Don't you think that someone who loves us this much wants to be intimately involved in helping us grieve? Now I am not suggesting that we all sit down and write a song or poem each time we hit rocky times in our lives. I am, however, encouraging each of us to find our own way to express the sense of sorrow and pain we feel during these tough times and then lift it to God. I think that as families we should sit down and talk about how we as Christians can deal with sorrow and frustration. The following might be a good way to jumpstart this discussion.

Music often helps us articulate our emotions. Take some time to share songs (Christian or secular) that have been significant in your spiritual journey – either songs that have expressed your lament in a particularly difficult time or songs that have reminded you of the goodness of God. Why were those songs significant to you? Be sure to share your own as well as inviting your kids to share their songs. Also, be prepared to listen without judgment even if your kids share songs that you think hold little value (musical or otherwise); this is a time to listen and affirm! Michael