

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, October 9

8:00AM	Deacon's Meeting
8:45AM	Youth Bells
9:30AM	Children's Music
9:45AM	Sunday School
11:00AM	Worship – Heritage Sunday
12:00PM	Youth Choir
5:00PM	Youth

TUESDAY, October 11

6:00PM	Property Committee Meeting
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WEDNESDAY, October 12

5:15PM	Family Night Meal (Ham & Cheese Casserole, Lima Beans, Salad Bar, Dessert)
6:00PM	Half Truth Study
6:00PM	Youth, GA's, RA's, Mission Friends
6:00PM	Cathedral Bells
7:00PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, October 13

5:00PM	Tarheel Challenge Academy Banquet
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MEMORIALS

General Fund

Bill Brown by Peggy Hill

Buck Hill by John & Bonnie Herring

Music Fund

Kathryn Hinkle by Peggy Hill

Organ Fund

Buck Hill by Whitman & Kathy Smith

Sunday School Attendance 10/02	138
Worship Attendance 10/02	165
Weekly Budget Requirement	\$11,144.04
Budget Receipts 09/25	\$7,222.15
YTD Budget Receipts 08/31	\$358,314.66
YTD Expenses thru 08/31	\$371,737.49
Capital Campaign Receipts (thru 09-25)	\$191,985.05
Capital Campaign Commitments	\$278,595.00

PRC WALK FOR LIFE

Be a part of the Pregnancy Resource Center of Stanly County's annual Walk For Life on Saturday, October 8 at the YMCA Pavilion Park! Support the ministry by helping to fundraise and make a difference in the life of our neighbors. Contact Betty Mauldin or Liz Peele for a pledge sheet or if you have any questions.

SCCM need for October is Peanut Butter and Jelly.

SCCM donation for September was 28 pounds.

Parents of College Students

For the Girls in Action, please email the name and address of your college student to: thomasra00@gmail.com

RED BOX MINISTRY

The Red Box Ministry (Women's Prison/Raleigh) is in need of 8-1 ounce bottles of lotion (NO pump). A collection box will be at the WMU bulletin board and donations are due by October 30.

Reminder: Youth Fall Retreat (November 11-13) registration is online. Cost is \$80 and payment is due by the last week in October. Also, Fall Festival is Thursday, October 27 and we need donations of candy in order to make this event successful.

Here is your *TIE* to



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Deadline for submissions is Tuesday noon.

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From the Desk of Andy Jung...

October is here and at First Baptist it means it is budget season! Actually, the Finance Committee has been hard at work for the last month in preparing the 2017 budget. The committee will present the proposed budget to the deacons for their approval this Sunday.

Upon their approval, the budget will be mailed out to all of our resident church members with a cover letter. The Budget Discussion will be held on **Wednesday, October 19 at 6pm** following the fellowship meal. The budget vote will be held on Sunday, November 13 at the beginning of our worship. Please be involved in the life of our church by participating in both the discussion and the vote. Your input and support are vital to this process.

On a similar topic, please remember the church as we enter into the final quarter of our fiscal year. We are slightly behind in our budget giving at this time. Please help us catch up and exceed our budget goal in this final quarter!

In addition, please continue your giving towards our Organ Capital Campaign. We have collected a little over \$190,000 toward our commitments of \$278,595. Our campaign runs through the end of 2017. Even if you have already fulfilled your commitment, please consider giving additional gifts to this campaign. As a reminder, we are at the stage of paying back our reserves for the \$104,000 "loan" that we took from ourselves. We have paid back \$30,000 thus far and will continue to pay back as donations are made.

Thank you for your faithfulness in giving to the Lord's work through your tithes and offerings. Your continual support for the church will keep us financially healthy as we look forward to 2017.

This Sunday, we will honor the legacy of Mr. A.P. Harris and Mrs. Agatha Wilhem during our special Heritage Sunday worship. I look forward to honoring our past as we continually look to the future of our fellowship.

Andy

Deacon of the Week
Bruce Myers October 9 – October 15

Our Church Family

Continual Care: Mildred Archer, Mildred Cooper, Hazel Townsend, Joan English, Mary Furr, Ann Gaskin, Frances Newton, Helen Mauldin, Jack Bane, Max Clayton, Aileen Taylor, Christine Snuggs, Ramelle & Herman Faulkner, Helen Lockamy, Barbara Hicks, Mary Sullivan, Carl Bowen, Mary Whitley, David & Sandy Young, David Sanges, Lu Phelps, Ethel Still, Bear Knotts, Pete Johnson

PRAYER LIST

Clement Hahn, Steve Sasser, Sue Hunsucker, Linda Hall, Don & Carol Brummitt, Jim Mauney, Peggy Hill, Bonnie Herring, Geraldine Causby, Carolyn Sharpe, Mary Jo Russell, Bill & Lois Greene, Charlie Burris, Frank Crisco

FBC Missions Golf Tournament Thursday, November 3

FBC is hosting a fundraising golf tournament on Nov. 3 at Tillery Tradition Country Club to offset some of the cost for next summer's mission trip to Peru. Cost per player is \$120 or \$420 for a foursome. If golf is not your sport, you can help by being a hole sponsor or by donating door prizes. Please see Jackie Burpeau or Jane Myers if you would like to be a sponsor.

Tarheel Challenge Academy Banquet Thursday, October 13 from 5:00-8:30

First Baptist will once again host the Graduation Banquet for class #2 of Tarheel Challenge Academy New London. We will need 20 waiters/waitresses and extra kitchen help for the banquet. If you can help serve, please sign up on the bulletin board outside of the church office.

YOUTH SCHEDULE

October 09 – 5:00PM Youth
October 16 – 5:00PM Youth
October 23 – 5:00PM Youth

FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS

As we reach the end of our worship renewal services, I would like to take time to talk about one area that we did not necessarily address, children's worship. In his book, *The Christian Education Handbook*, Dr. Bruce Powers points out that the purpose of the church is to "bring people to Christ" and to "help them grow in his likeness". We often forget that teaching children to worship is part of that equation. Too often the church sees children, especially young children, as a distraction during times of worship. For many churches the answer is to create a "special" children's church time. Unfortunately for most these rarely equate to more than a childcare extension that gives parents and other adults a break.

While I completely understand that it is not developmentally appropriate to expect young children to sit for an hour-long worship, I also think that we are missing a golden opportunity. Children learn a lot from modeling the adults in their lives. How often do your children get the opportunity to see you worship or to worship with you? If we view this through the lens of the mandate given in Deuteronomy 6:4-9, then it seems only logical that we include our children in our worship time, but they have to be taught.

Here at First Baptist our expectation is very simple. We desire our children to be involved in worship. When our children reach four years of age we want to start exposing them to worship time. It is critical during this time of introduction that our parents make a concerted effort to help engage them in the worship. How do you do this? First, I have provided a worship bulletin that you can use to help your child become involved in the service. Secondly, encourage them to practice the things that we are doing while we worship. Have them stand when we sing. Point to the words of the hymns. Remind them to bow their heads and fold their hands when we pray. Have them follow along if they are there when we read the scripture.

The other part of this will be our new children's worship time. Our Children's Worship has a new structure and a new home in our media center. This time of worship will be led each week by Betsy Furr and one other volunteer. The focus will be introduction to how we worship God. I am excited about this new process and hope that you will support what we are trying to do. See you on Sunday! Michael