

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, February 12

8:00AM	Deacon's Meeting
8:45AM	Youth Bells
9:30AM	Children's Choir
9:45AM	Sunday School
11:00AM	Worship and Communion
12:00PM	Youth Choir
4:45PM	Health Ministry Team Meeting
5:00PM	Youth Super

MONDAY, February 13

2:00PM American Red Cross Blood Drive

TUESDAY, February 14 Valentine's Day

5:00PM Property Committee Meeting

WEDNESDAY, February 15

5:15PM	Fellowship Meal (Crab Cakes, Red Slaw, French Fries, Salad Bar, Dessert)
6:00PM	Ecclesia Communities
6:00PM	GA's, RA's, Mission Friends
6:00PM	Cathedral Bells
7:00PM	Sanctuary Choir

SATURDAY, February 18

6:00AM Youth Ski Trip

SUNDAY, February 19 Covered Dish Lunch/Conference

Sunday School Attendance 02/05	156
Worship Attendance 02/05	183
Weekly Budget Requirement-2017	\$11,364.00
Budget Receipts 01/29	\$12,035.89
YTD Budget Receipts 01/31	\$43,632.11
YTD Expenses thru 01/31	\$43,926.35
Capital Campaign Receipts (thru 1-29)	\$226,785.00
Capital Campaign Commitments	\$278,595.00

MEMORIALS

General Fund

Don Brummitt by M/M Tony Oettinger

William Greene by M/M Tony Oettinger

Don Brummitt by M/M Jack Lail

Organ Fund

Betty Rogers Moser by M/M Maurice Radford

Covered Dish Luncheon and Church Conference

Sunday, February 19 @ noon

Bring your favorite dishes and join in the fellowship and hear about the goings-on of our church family.

SCCM need for February is canned soup & crackers.

Habitat for Humanity BBQ Fundraiser: February 23

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE: Monday, February 13, 2-7PM, Sign-up on line or in the FBC office.

CBFNC Annual Gathering

If you are interested in going to the CBFNC Annual Gathering for March 31 only, the bus will leave at 8am and return after the worship on Friday night. The keynote speaker for the day will be Susan Sparks, the pastor of Madison Avenue Baptist Church in NYC. You can sign up to ride the bus in the church office and register for the Annual Gathering online at cbfnc.org. If you have questions concerning the Thursday or Saturday portions of the conference, please feel free to contact Andy.

Music Notes!!

Do you play an instrument? If so, dust it off and join the FBC Band. We need all instruments and all skill levels. FBC Band will begin practicing on Wednesday evenings at 6:00, starting March 8 and will play for worship later this spring. Rehearsals will be 6:00-6:45 in the choir room.

Here is your *TIE* to



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Deadline for submissions is Tuesday noon.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11

6:00-8:30PM

\$35/PERSON

Heavy Hors d'oeuvres

Entertainment provided by
Peru Mission Team members

Valet parking available
Childcare provided upon request

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From the Desk of Andy Jung...

Over the last two years, you have heard a lot about what it means to be a “Sticky Faith” church. We have learned together that it takes a village to raise up a child. We have come to understand that intergenerational ministry is beneficial not only to the young people but for all ages in the church. We have become much more vibrant as a church family, though we still have strides to make together. I am proud of the progress we have made together as a “Sticky Faith” church.

Fuller Youth Institute, the think tank ministry organization that we have been partnering with over the past year, has come out with new research pertaining to how churches like ours can reach and disciple young people in their late teens and twentysomethings. In their new book *Growing Young*, FYI has compiled useful data and realistic suggestions of how churches can impact the Millennial generation. It is the logical next step in being a stronger “Sticky Faith” church.

In an effort to strengthen our own ministries to young people, we need your help. We invite you to participate in a survey that will help us better understand our church’s culture. This survey will help us assess our strengths and weaknesses and will become the baseline for First Baptist. I am excited to learn more about our church’s effectiveness in reaching the younger generations. If you are 18 years or older, please complete this 15-25 minute assessment by February 28. You can either complete the online survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/firstbaptistalbemarle> or you can get a paper copy of the assessment in the church office. Thank you for your help with this project!

This Sunday, we will continue our “Why Jesus?” series as we consider The Power of Jesus from Matthew 8:23-27. We will also share the bread and the cup of Jesus during our time of worship. Please remember that we will take up a love offering for SCCM as our response to God’s goodness in our lives. See you on Sunday!

Deacon of the Week
Bob Odom February 12 – February 18

Our Church Family

Continual Care: Mildred Archer, Mildred Cooper, Joan English, Mary Furr, Ann Gaskin, Frances Newton, Helen Mauldin, Jack Bane, Max Clayton, Aileen Taylor, Herman Faulkner, Helen Lockamy, Barbara Hicks, Mary Sullivan, Carl Bowen, David & Sandy Young, David Sanges, Lu Phelps, Bear Knotts, Pete Johnson, Peggy Hill, Frank Crisco, Don Bennett, Carol Brummitt

PRAYER LIST

Steve Sasser, Sue Hunsucker, Linda Hall, Jim Mauney, Bonnie Herring, Lois Greene, Helen Lockamy, Jack Neel, AnDe Dick, Kurt Kitchener, Gay Hayer, Adam, Beth & Grayson Boysworth, Jane Pendergraft, Bud Morton, Sylvia Scholl, Diane Huneycutt Powell, Carl & JoAnn Kimrey, Ginny Skidmore, Geraldine Springer, Rachel Chandler, Geraldine Causby

The Shack Movie Premier Thursday, March 2 @ 7pm Eastgate Cinemas

Tickets for the special screening of *The Shack* (PG-13) are available in the church office (\$5 for seniors, \$7 for adults). The Christian themes found in *The Shack* will be the basis for our Lenten study on Sundays and Wednesdays. This is a great opportunity to purchase extra tickets and invite friends who are not connected to a church!

YOUTH SCHEDULE

February 12: 5:00PM Youth
February 18: 6:00AM Re-Scheduled Ski Trip

FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS

I have to be honest. I am not really a Patriots or a Tom Brady fan but I think I can find a silver lining to the events on Sunday night. After Sunday night’s incredible game, my respect for Tom Brady grew tremendously. Many of you watched what is being hailed as “the greatest comeback in Super Bowl history”. For those of you who
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did not watch or don’t understand why the win was such a big deal, let me shed a little light on it for you. The Super Bowl pits two of the best teams from the league against each other in a one game, winner take all, match up. Until Sunday, no other team in the 50-year history of the Super Bowl had ever come back from more than 10 points down. The Patriots, lead by Tom Brady, were 25 points down mid way through the third quarter. That means that they were able to eclipse a lead 2 and a half times greater than any lead ever overcome before and they did it in just a quarter and a half.

Now you might be wondering why I am rehashing the Super Bowl if I am not a Tom Brady fan (here come’s the silver lining for us non Brady fans). It’s actually really simple. I found myself watching how Brady behaved while things were at their worst for the Patriots and I saw something. Tom Brady never panicked. He never changed. He kept doing what he knew was the right thing and it paid off for him and his team. I don’t believe, like many people, that he is just too arrogant to get rattled or even that he is just super lucky. It is a known fact that Brady is a student of the game. He is meticulous in his study of defenses and how his offense works against those defenses. Here in lies that lesson that I believe we can take away as Christians. We must prepare ourselves to deal with the tough stuff that life throws our way. In arguably the biggest game of his career, with the odds stacked against him, he just continued to do what he had prepared himself to do.

In 1 Peter 3:15 it is written, “But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have.” We are called to be ready. Christians are called to study and understand our relationship with Christ. It is from that relationship that our hope is born. It is hope that can sustain us through dark times, a hope that can shine Christ’s light for others in their dark times. But to have this witness we have to be prepared. It is in Him that we will find our confidence that will lead to victory. So, moral of the story: (Brady fan or not) Believe in what you know to be true. Don’t panic. Do what you know is right. Michael