

## Opportunities for the Week

### SUNDAY, May 6

9:30AM Children's Choir  
 9:45AM Sunday School  
 11:00AM Worship  
 12:00PM Youth Choir  
 3:00PM Spring Family Day  
 4:30PM Widow/Widower Fellowship  
 5:00PM Youth

### MONDAY, May 7

5:45PM WMU at Taylor House

### WEDNESDAY, May 9

5:15PM Fellowship Meal  
 6:00PM Family Matters  
 7:00PM Sanctuary Choir

### THURSDAY, May 10

7:00PM NSHS Spring Concert

### SUNDAY, May 13 Mother' Day

8:00AM Deacon's Meeting

## Records at-a-Glance

Sunday School Attendance 04/29	151
Worship Attendance 04/29	188
Weekly Budget Requirement	\$11,491.00
Budget Receipts 04/22	\$8,360.47
YTD Budget Receipts 03/31	\$132,737.29
YTD Expenses thru 03/31	\$141,099.83

## MEMORIALS

### General Fund

Mary Maness by M/M Reed Furr  
Shannon Talton (Roush) by M/M Reed Furr  
Doug Archer by The Saints Bible Class  
Doug Archer by M/M Wayne Burris  
Barbara Bowers by Peggy Hill  
Doug Archer by Peggy Hill  
Helen Mauldin by Peggy Hill  
Shannon Talton (Roush) by Peggy Hill  
Julie Crumpler by Peggy Hill  
Barbara Bowers by M/M Lendell Smith, Jr.  
Jane Davis by Ed & Rosemary Thomas

### Children Fund

Barbara Bowers by M/M Reed Furr  
Barbara Bowers by Geraldine Springer

### Nurses Fund

Helen Mauldin by M/M Reed Furr

### Music Fund

Barbara Bowers by The Service Sunday School Class  
Barbara Bowers by M/M Maurice Radford

### Helper Fund

Doug Archer by The Chris Newton Sunday School Class

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*Deadline for submissions for the TIE is Tuesday at noon*

## Our Church Family

### MISSIONARIES

Rob & Amanda Rone Myanmar  
 John Taylor Far East  
 Molly Peele Rhode Island

### PRAYER LIST

Mary Sullivan, Mildred Miller, Cathy Smith, Anne Denning Myers,  
 Melisa Isenhour, Bev Tucker, Evelyn Rogers, Johnny Barbee, Jack Bane,  
 Lou Pontikas, Gene Russell, James 'Skip' Horton, Betty Mabe

### CONTINUAL CARE

Mildred Archer, Mildred Cooper, Joan English, Mary Furr, Ann Gaskin,  
 Frances Newton, Jack Bane, Max Clayton, Aileen Taylor, Herman  
 Faulkner, Barbara Hicks, Mary Sullivan, David & Sandy Young,  
 David Sanges, Lu Phelps, Pete Johnson, Peggy Hill, Mary Garber,  
 Don Bennett, Carol Brummitt, Rachel Chandler, Jim Mauney, Agnes  
 Blalock, John & Bonnie Herring, Raynell Cooke, Bear Knotts, Patsy  
 Turbeville, Betty Hartley, Joanna Morgan, Bud Morton, Danny Martin  
 Abbie Burris, Bill Woodruff

### SYMPATHY

Christian love and sympathy to Larry Bowers and family in the passing  
 of his wife, Barbara Bowers.  
 Christian love and sympathy to Sandy Smith and family in the passing of  
 her father, Doug Archer.

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## Words From the Pastor

Growing up, I hated to read. I was forced to read when I was a child and when I became a teenager, I rebelled against reading. I hated reading and writing so much, I majored in math education. I think I may have read three or four (including textbooks) books and written the same amount of papers during my undergraduate studies. It just was not part of the requirement at that time.

When I started in seminary, I still did not enjoy reading. I read what I had to read but I did not enjoy it. It wasn't until my doctoral studies that I learned to enjoy reading. Now, I try to read as much as I can, though I still go through spurts of reading little to reading a lot!

I recently was recommended a book titled *The Sin of Certainty* by Peter Enns. I am only half way through the book, but my heart certainly resonates with the author. Enns suggests that maybe as Christians, we are too preoccupied of knowing God than trusting God. This is something I've been ruminating over some time now.

Certainly, it is good for us to think about who God is and study the Bible. Certainly, it is good to read books about what others have discovered about God through their studies. Certainly, it is good to form deeper thoughts about our God and Savior. Enns writes, "The life of faith and the life of thought are not opposite ends of the spectrum."

The problem isn't that we learn more about God. The issue at hand is when we have an overwhelming need to think rightly about God more than trusting in the person of Jesus. Enns suggests, "The preoccupation with holding on to correct thinking with a tightly closed fist is not a sign of strong faith. It hinders the life of faith, because we are simply acting on a deep unnamed human fear of losing the sense of familiarity and predictability that our thoughts about God give us. Believing that we are right about God helps give us a sense of order in an otherwise messy world."

There are only THREE things I am so sure of that I would stake my life on it when it comes to God and my faith. 1) There is a God. 2) I am not him. 3) Jesus is the son of God who lived among us, died a sacrificial death and rose again three days later. That's it. I am not certain of anything else when it comes to theology, which is defined as the study of God. I have some strong thoughts of what I think I know but ultimately, I am limited to my human understanding.

However, I am willing to stake my FAITH and TRUST in the three things I know. My trust in Jesus as my Lord and Savior helps me to go through life with open hands and with an open heart. I don't have to know everything about God. I don't have to pretend that I know all of God's character. I just trust that God is God and I am not. I just trust that Jesus loves me and desires the very best for me. No more and no less. For me, this is a safe and comforting place to be.

This Sunday, we celebrate the sixth Sunday of Easter by learning from Psalm 98 on how to live with joy even in midst of trials. See you on Sunday!

### Deacon of the Week

**Bob Sweet**  
**Jane Myers**

**May 6 – May 12**  
**May 13 – May 19**

## General Announcements

### FLOWER CALENDAR

Do you have a birthday, anniversary, special occasion or special someone you would like to acknowledge? The Flower Calendar is located on the bulletin board in the hallway near the parlor. Just sign-up or call the church office to reserve your Sunday. A pretty green or flowering plant or flowers from your garden would also be welcome.

### Widow & Widower Fellowship

Sponsored by the Deacons

The annual Widow & Widower Fellowship is this Sunday, May 6 at Ed & Rosemary Thomas' home at 4:30pm. **Meet at the church at 4:00pm if you need a ride.**

## JOY Group

**Upcoming Trip** (*trips are open for everyone*):

The Ark Encounter: June 18-21, 2018 – Charter Bus

Cost: \$575.00 per person (children: \$440.00 each).

Sign-up sheet is in the church office.

## Family Ministry News

**Registration for FBC Albemarle Summer Day Camps is open!**  
**Registration forms available online or in the church office.**

### Day Camps

\$100: Mon-Thurs., 8:30-4:00, Fri., 8:30-Noon

Open to rising 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade students

Outdoor Adventure Camp – June 18-22

Camp Imagination – July 16-20

Animal Fun Camp – July 23-27

### Cooking Camps

\$80; Mon.-Fri., 8:30-12:30

Open to age 4 – rising 6<sup>th</sup> grade students; 40 camper limit each week

Cooking Camp 1 – July 30-August 3

Cooking Camp 2 – August 6-August 10

### FAMILY DAY at the STRAWBERRY PATCH Cody Strawberry Farm, Richfield May 6<sup>th</sup> – 3-5pm

Come load up on berries with your family and friends! Bring a picnic supper for your family along with some money for the berries you pick (1/2 gallon - \$5.50, 1 gallon - \$9). Sign up in the church office.

Got Questions?  
Ask Christy!



## THANK YOU

The FBC Youth want to thank everyone for their support of the Spaghetti Luncheon and Dessert Auction! Many thanks to Judy Fraley for her hard work in the kitchen prepping a great meal, to the many talented bakers who prepared desserts, and to everyone who attended in support of missions experiences for our youth. We were able to raise a total of \$3,857.00 that afternoon! We are excited for the opportunities it will open up for us to engage in missions experiences, and especially for the help it will give us for our trip to DC this summer. Thank you so much for all that you do for our students!

## Missions Corner

### East Albemarle Elementary Teacher Appreciation Lunch

Thursday, May 10

If you would like to help with the Teacher Appreciation Lunch for East Albemarle Elementary staff, please contact Andy.

### SCCM Mobile Food Bank - Thursday, May 24

If you would like to help with the Mobile Food Bank at Badin, please contact Ruth Cain at [ruthcain@ctc.net](mailto:ruthcain@ctc.net)

### Spring Woodchucker Day on Saturday, May 5

Woodchuckers are planning an event at Brian Burnside's farm for cutting and splitting firewood. Contact Bill Burnside (704-798-4688) for more details.

## LET'S CAN HUNGER

The SCCM food pantry is in need of food this time of year. More donations come in during the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays and not so much now. Children will soon be out of school for the summer and many will miss lunches. Our Missions Committee is sponsoring a "Let's Can Hunger" FBC Food Drive: May 1-May 20. Our goal is to collect at least **2,000** items. Buddy up with your class and purchase by the case! Food goes to the SCCM Food Pantry. **We can do this!**



### SCCM need for May

Toiletries and Household: Shampoo, toothpaste, cleaners, etc.  
April donation: 96 pounds