



Dear Church Family,

July has been an active time and praise be to God how it is ending on an incredible note. From Student Camp to Children's Camp and then to the big finale with Cola Wars...what an incredible time. Please be praying for the students and children as God has started something amazing in their hearts and we want to see that continue. I personally want to say "thank you" to the many volunteers who stepped up and gave of their time to make all these incredible events happen. And great job Stephanie and Clint in leading those endeavors. As a praise to God, we saw 600 students come to Cola Wars at least one night. And each night, students learned of their need to have a relationship with Christ. Many prayed to receive Christ – many prayed to rededicate their life to Christ. Pray especially for those students who do not have a church home – we want to see God get them connected to a church.

And what an afternoon of fellowship at our Growing Beyond event at the Arena. From the bounce-houses to the cornhole tournament to the ice cream to the amazing fellowship. What a way to "grow beyond" yourself by building and growing in your relationship with others. Again, thank you to the volunteers for all your help with this. And great job Phillip, Clint, Tommy, and Stephanie for covering the different areas that were enjoyed by all.

Be sure to not miss our Serving Beyond opportunity on Saturday, August 5, from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon. As a church family, we will be serving North Central High School by doing many

different tasks that are needed as the school year begins. This is a opportunity for the whole family to "serve beyond" together. We also will be providing breakfast that morning at the high school, so come on out and be a part of serving beyond. We are a month out from a special emphasis for "Loving Beyond".

Beginning Sunday, September 10, I will begin a new series of messages on Loving Beyond – the main emphasis will be to love beyond those who are already convinced of Christ so to love and reach out to those who do not know Christ as their personal Lord and Savior. In conjunction with the series, I will be leading a Discipleship Class every Sunday starting at 4:00 pm entitled "Sharing Your Faith." It is a different type of training than usual as the focus is to help everyone learn how to share their faith in a more natural, non-threatening way. Most people envision confronting someone they don't know very well and trying to convince that person to receive Christ on the spot. That approach makes all of us uncomfortable. Today, we have to have a different approach if we are going to reach people for Christ. Jesus clearly taught that God wants His lost sheep found but stressed someone has to go where the lost sheep is. I also have to mention how our Sunday worship experience has been amazing this Summer. The choir and vocalists and musicians have been amazing. Great job Tommy!

Beyond 1201,

Pastor Rusty





AUGUST 5

8:00 am - Breakfast and Service Projects at North Central High School



DEACON NOMINATION

FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AROUND CAMPUS

NOMINATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY AUGUST 6

Is Jesus Enough?

A 9 WEEK STUDY OF HEBREWS

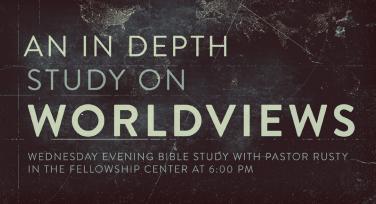


A LADIES' BIBLE STUDY WRITTEN & LED BY ANGELA SHULER childcare available by request

Begins

MONDAY, AUGUST 28 FROM 6-8 PM & WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30 FROM 10 AM-12 PM

REGISTER AT: TINYURL.COM/FBCHEBREWS



First Celebrations with Pastor Phillip

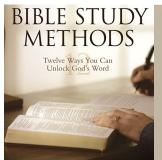
- Our First Kids Music Camp was an incredible week of sharing God's truth about each one of us being on mission for the Lord! The kids did a great job learning the music and the motions that will lock those truths into their hearts forever!
- Young At Heart had a "peachy" time at McLeod Farms and Roadside Market.
- The Sunday sermon series this summer has been a refreshing reminder of how to handle things "When Life Happens."
- Kid's Salt at Charleston Southern University was a blast for children and adults.
- Student Life Camp at UNC-Asheville was a tremendous week. We took 30 students and 6 adults. Students were engaged in worship and 8 students made decisions to take first steps or next steps in their faith.
- 600 students attended and more than 80 volunteers served at Cola Wars 2023. Students made professions of

faith, rededicated their lives, and came forward to find out more about how Jesus can make a difference in their lives.

- First Student ministry held their first annual Adult Leaders Retreat. It was a time to evaluate, plan, and dream together while preparing for a year of growth and community.
- Young At Heart and the Upstate Brass had a blast and some wonderful meatloaf.
- First Kids had a fabulous Fun Day at Beltline Lanes.
- Growing Beyond event at the City Arena was a wonderful time of fellowship and relationship building. The ice cream was pretty good too.
- A huge thank you, FBC, for giving 100 gift cards, valued at \$1,100 to Connie Maxwell foster families!







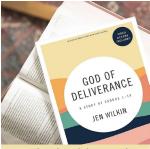
There are many ways to study the Bible, but it is all too common to become dependent on just one method. This class is offered to help you discover other Bible study strategies. This class is perfect for those just starting to study God's Word and is also for those who teach a class every Sunday and would like to learn new strategies. With a variety of Bible study tools in your toolbox your time in Bible study will help you develop a more complete understanding of His Word and your purpose. Join Pastor Phillip in September as he explores Bible Study Methods. This class will be offered on Sunday at 4:00 pm OR Wednesday at 6:00 pm.

CONSTITUTION AND BY LAWS COMMITTEE
WILL BRING A RECOMMENDATION



AUGUST 6 AT 6:00 PM

The Constitution and Bylaws Committee will be shepherding some updates to the document at the Church Conference on August 6. This will include a request from the deacons to add a step in the Bylaws to their nomination process. Various additions, changes, and removals to some Policies and Procedures (with related updates to the Bylaws) will also be presented. Packets of these updates will be available no later than Friday, July 21, in the Welcome Center, the Fellowship Center, first floor of the East Building, and the church office. These packets will contain only the proposals; the current Bylaws, Policies, and Procedures will be available in the church office for review and comparison.



Ladies' Bible Study
Beginning August 30
on Wednesdays at
10:00 am
More Details
Coming Soon!



















4:45 pm Wednesday Night Supper

6:00 pm
Adult Bible Study &
Prayer Meeting

6:30 pm Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal

> 6:00 pm Kids & Preschool Choir

> > 6:30 - 7:30 pm Mission Friends Ages 3-5



Girls in Action (GA)
Girls grades 1-5



Royal Ambassador (RA)
Boys grades 1-5



6:00 - 7:30 pm Wednesday Night Live (WNL) Students grades 6-12





WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday

9:15 am - Sunday School - Bible Studies

10:30 am - Worship 10:30 am - Kids Worship

Tuesday

9:00 am - Staff Meeting

Wednesday

6:00 pm - Prayer Meeting & Adult Bible Study

6:00 pm - Youth WNL 6:00 pm - Preschool & Kids Choirs 6:30 pm - Sanctuary Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal

6:30 pm - RAs, GAs, & Mission Friends

Thursday

6:45 am - Men's Bible Readers Encouragement Group at Chick-fil-A

Saturday

6:30 am - Men's Accountability (Zoom)

for more information and links to register

firstbaptistcamden.org/whats-new



WEDNESDAY 6:00 PM - Back to School Prayer Walk

SATURDAY

8:00 am - Serving Beyond - North Central High

6 SUNDAY 12:00 pm - Y

12:00 pm - Youth Back to School Lake Party 6:00 pm - Quarterly Church Conference

WEDNESDAY

Wednesday Activities Start Back

1) SUNDAY

4:00 pm - WMU Leadership Mtg.

1 THURSDAY

10:00 am - Young at Heart Game Day

SATURDAY

8:30 am - Men's Breakfast

TUESDAY

6:00 pm- Young at Heart

SUNDAY

4:00 pm - Fiber Fanactics

4:00 pm - Women in Action

4:30 pm - Love, Serve, Give

JULY TOTALS

Monthly Budget	\$149,690
July Giving	\$175,485
Year to Date Budget	\$1,047,826
Year to Date Giving	\$1,113,275

Average Sunday School Attendance...**326**Average Worship Attendance.....**440**

July Designated Funds

WMU	\$525
Building Fund	\$75
Sacks of Love	\$150
CLC Project	\$100
Mini Bus Fund	\$25
Benevolence	\$150
Young at Heart	\$75
Men's Ministry	\$300
Mildred Smith	\$290

Welcome to the Family







DIANE TOMLINSON



BARBARA ADOLPHSON

OUR CHURCH STAFF

Minister	Every Member
Pastor	Dr. Rusty Shuler
Associate/Admin Pastor	Phillip Gerrald
Minister to Students	Clint Ellis
Minister of Music	Tommy Sunderland
Director of Children's Ministries	
	Stephanie Caldwell

Support Staff:

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Office Manager/Bookkeeper	Tracy Collier
Pastor's Ministry Assistant	Angie Black
Administrative Assistant	Amber McCaskill
Kitchen Manager	Lana Wright
Childcare Center Director	Amy Shivar
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Church Prayer Line	803-432-5031
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Childcare Telephone......803-432-9069

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Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday 7:30 am - 5:30 pm Friday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

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LOVING BEYOND
IN AUGUST
Please Collect
Boys & Girls (2-9yrs)
24-Count Crayons
and Coloring Books
GOAL - 420 ITEMS



STUDY MATERIALS . BOOKS . VIDEOS

Come browse the church's extensive library located in W103. The Center houses a variety of resources for all ages including Bible studies, commentaries, Bible references, Christian fiction and non-fiction books, DVDs, CDs and documents and photographs related to the church's history. To schedule a visit, contact Sandy Kimmel at 803-467-3305.