

First Baptist Rutherfordton Newsletter | August 20, 2025

LORD'S PRAYER

# WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY August 24, 2025 | 10:55 a.m.

# **Songs of Worship**

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly
On Eagle's Wings
Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us
Praise to the Lord, Almighty
Our Father
Only Trust Him

# Sermon

"Hallowed Be Thy Name" Psalm 145 Aimee Hobbs

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# THANK YOU, CHURCH FAMILY!

Thank you for your contributions to the county Back to School Bash! These supplies, along with financial contributions, helped countless neighbors prepare to send their child back to school!



6:15PM

# WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE Begins September 3!

5:30PM **CHURCHWIDE FELLOWSHIP DINNER** 

**CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES** 

Difference Makers (Choir & Bible study) for ages 3 - 5th grade

"BIBLE STORIES FOR GROWN-UPS" \*Begins Sept 10 - Church Meeting is Sept 3 Revisiting familiar childhood Bible stories like Noah's Ark, Zacchaeus, and the parable of the talents

6:30PM

OPEN MINDS ON MAIN \*Begins Sept 10 - Church Meeting is Sept 3

An opportunity for our community to gather for dialogue around faith and life - this group meets at Main St Coffee and Ice Cream

7:30PM ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL

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Senior outing to the Parcel Exchange on Main St. Rutherfordton

# **CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING:**

**UPCOMING BUSINESS MEETINGS** | It's almost time to vote on our 2025-2026 budget and leadership. Mark your calendar for the following meetings; online ballots will also be made available if you are unable to attend. The proposed budget will be emailed to church members on Monday, August 25. Print copies will also be available in the church office.

Wednesday, August 27 - Budget presentation & nomination ballots available (6:00 p.m.) Sunday, September 7 - Churchwide vote on budget & nomination ballots due Sunday, September 21 - Churchwide vote on leadership (Deacon Council & ALC)

**DESSERTS NEEDED ON WEDNESDAYS, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 3** | Help is needed to provide desserts for Wednesday night meals on a rotating basis. If you can supply a store-bought or homemade dessert once or twice a month (enough to feed 20-25 people),

please call or text Jane Simpson (828-429-4843). Additionally, we need pre-packaged Little Debbie-type cakes that can be added as needed. Desserts should be clearly marked for "Wednesday Night Meal" and dropped off before 5 p.m. on Tuesday or Wednesday of the week assigned.

WORSHIP READINESS CLASS BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 7 | Children in 2nd through 5th grade are invited to join a worship readiness class beginning September 7. We will be exploring the various elements of a worship service, what goes into planning a service, and special seasons that we include throughout the year. Our goal is to help children develop a deeper understanding of worship, the sanctuary, and the traditions of the Baptist church. At various times, they will attend the service as a group and other times will be learning from a classroom setting. If you are interested in learning more, **contact Donna**.

**SPINDALE ELEMENTARY BACKPACK COLLECTING** | With school starting back, we are once again collecting breakfast items for Spindale Elementary's Backpack Program. Individuals or groups can drop off items such as breakfast bars and Pop-Tarts in the church office or leave them in the Welcome Center collection box. We will deliver them to the school on a monthly basis.

**PRAYER UPDATES BY EMAIL** | If you'd like to receive prayer request updates throughout the week, in addition to the prayer list found in the weekly newsletter, request to be added to our new prayer distribution email list! Just **click here and add your name and preferred email address**. You can also join by calling or **emailing** the church office.

# FIRST BAPTIST PRAYS

WEEKLY PRAYER LIST



CURRENT PRAYER LIST

**SUBMIT A PRAYER REQUEST** 

#### PRAYER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

August 24 - Terry Honeycutt Laura Hodge, Joe Hughes August 31 - Frank Jones Andy & Pam LaBreche

#### **NURSERY SCHEDULE**

**August 24** - Jason Hobbs, Penny Parker **August 31** - Laura Hodge, Violet Nyamiwa

#### MEALS ON WHEELS SCHEDULE

August 29 - Gayle Youngblood & Meryl Lawrence September 5 - Griggs & Debbie McKinnon

## **USHERS FOR AUGUST**

Todd Hodge (Coordinator), Boone Hodge, Steve Barnes, Andy LaBreche, Bob Smith

#### BIRTHDAYS OF THE WEEK

August 20 - Calvin McGinnis
August 21 - Julie Price
August 21 - Lauren Revis
August 21 - Billy Vaughn
August 21 - Xavier Jones
August 22 - Ben Moore
August 23 - Charles Roper
August 23 - Jessica Jones Carson
August 23 - John Graeper
August 24 - Didi Ledbetter
August 24 - Melinda Rees
August 26 - Christie McMahan
August 26 - Kim Jones
August 26 - Brent Mills

August 27 - B.J. Davis

August 27 - Elinor Harrington

# YOKEFELLOW ITEM OF THE MONTH

Canned Meat

August Goal: 30 Cans

Collected: 54 Cans (mixed serving sizes)
Keep collecting!! Let's overwhelm them!

# 2024-2025 Church Leadership

## **Deacon Council**

Lori Herrick - Chair (2026) Debbie Bumgarner - Vice-Chair (2026) Scott Carpenter - Secretary (2025)

Judy Bond (2025)

Terry Honeycutt (2025)

Dale Heffner (2026)

Jane Simpson (2027)

Beth Archer (2027)

Frank Jones (2027)

# **Administrative Leadership Council**

Mike Martin - Chair (2025)

Andy LaBreche - Vice-Chair (2027)

Jessica Godfrey - Secretary/Church Clerk (2026)

Henry Giles (2025)

Claudia Waters (2025)

Steve Barnes (2025)

Faith Archer (2026)

Kurt Parker (2026)

Chip Bond (2027)

Gayle Youngblood (2027)

You can give online through our website! Click "Giving" at the top of our website, or click the button below.

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

OFFERING Records for August 10, 2025 Budget Requirements: \$8,232.70 Budget Offering: \$6,804.32

YTD Received as of August 17: \$398,643.01 YTD Needed as of August 31: \$392,425.00 Annual Budget: \$437,830.20

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# **Upcoming Schedule**

## **August**

27 - Budget Presentation and Discussion/Nomination Ballots Available | 6 p.m.

## September

- 1 Church Office Closed for Labor Day
- 3 Wednesday Nights Resume | 5:30 p.m.
- 7 Communion Sunday | Promotion Sunday | Special Called Business Meeting | Illuminate (Youth Group) Resumes | Worship Readiness Class Begins
- 8 Welcome Table
- 9 Women on Mission 3 p.m.
- 10 Open Minds on Main resumes
- 15 ALC Meeting | 6 p.m.
- 21 Special Called Business Meeting
- 23 Adult Handbell Rehearsals resume

#### October

- 5 Churchwide Picnic at Kiwanis Park
- 12 Church Leadership Lunch and Orientation
- 14 Women on Mission | 3 p.m.
- 20 Fellowship of Christian Women | 2 p.m.

26 - Youth Halloween Party

31 - Halloween on Main St | FAB

#### **November**

10 - Welcome Table

19 - Churchwide Thanksgiving Dinner

26 - No Wednesday Night Activities (Thanksgiving)

30 - 1st Sunday of Advent | Hanging of the Green 6 p.m.

#### **December**

7 - 2nd Sunday of Advent | Youth Christmas Party | Adult Choir Christmas Joint Concert

8 - Welcome Table

14 - 3rd Sunday of Advent | Churchwide Christmas Party

15 - Welcome Table

21 - 4th Sunday of Advent

24 - Christmas Eve Service

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