



First Baptist Rutherfordton Newsletter | February 4, 2026

THIS IS NO ORDINARY SUPPER



February 8, 2026 | 10:55 a.m.

Songs of Worship

*Worthy of Worship
O Praise the Gracious Power
Come and Feast, for All Are Welcomed
Holy Forever
Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy*

Communion

As is our practice on communion Sundays, we will also be collecting a local mission offering at the close of worship.

Sermon

*"This Is No Ordinary Supper"
1 Corinthians 11:23-29
Aimee Hobbs*

[WATCH THE SERVICE HERE](#)

TONIGHT!

portraits of faith

A STUDY OF CHARACTERS IN THE BIBLE



JANUARY 21-FEBRUARY 4 | WEDNESDAYS AT 6:15 P.M.
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open minds
on main

WEDNESDAYS
Main St. Coffee & Ice Cream
in Rutherfordton
6:30-7:15pm

Transforming a Weapon of Harm into a Tool of Healing
Foreword by Sarah Bessey zach w. lambert

This semester, we'll explore healthier approaches to Scripture, emphasizing its role as a guide to mirroring the person of Jesus rather than as a weapon against others. Join us!

Join us tonight for dinner, fellowship, and mid-week gatherings! On the menu is spaghetti bake, salad, and bread (\$8/adult, \$5 children, \$20 family max).

5:30 p.m. Dinner

6:00 p.m. Children's Music and Missions

6:15 p.m. Portraits of Faith: A Study of Characters in the Bible

6:30 p.m. Open Minds on Main - a safe space to ask questions about the Bible, to wrestle with doubts that sometimes we're afraid to express inside the walls of the church, and to give words to the wounds that have been handed down to us all in the name of religion. This group meets at Main Street Coffee and Ice Cream.

7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

CHILDREN'S CAMP FUNDRAISER

Invest in a child...

Camp Fundraisers

The 3rd - 5th graders are headed to overnight camp this summer and we need your help! Camp cost is \$428 per student/chaperone.

Sunday, February 8 &
Wednesday, February 11th

Candy Grams, made by the children, will be available for purchase, by donation, in the Welcome Center.

Invest in a child

Our money tree, filled with envelopes for the taking, will be available from Feb. 8 to March 8. Envelopes will be numbered 1 to 100, with suggested contribution amounts. on them.

To ensure that all contributions are applied as intended, make sure to write "Children's Camp" on envelopes/checks. Thank you for supporting our children! Questions - contact Donna

COLLEGE VALENTINE TREAT BOXES



We will be mailing **Valentine treat boxes** to our college students! Can you help by donating sweet treats for our students? The food items can be homemade or store-bought and would need to be delivered **to the church kitchen by 5 pm on Monday, February 9** (please mark them "Valentine Boxes"). We have 9 students.

Questions? Contact Beth Archer, Amy Revis, or Ruth Colnot (the College Outreach Team)





CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING:

YOUTH SUPER BOWL PARTY | Youth are invited to the annual Super Bowl party! This Sunday, February 8 at 6:00 p.m. in the youth basement. Free food, drinks, and fun - bring a friend!

CHURCH MEETING | Make plans to attend our next church meeting on Wednesday, February 11 at 6:15 p.m. You'll hear updates from the ALC, Deacons, and Staff!

BIBLE STUDY VIA ZOOM | Did you know the Outreach Class is available to attend via Zoom each Sunday? The class meets at 9:45 a.m. each Sunday. Simply [CLICK HERE](#) and enter password **138147** to join via Zoom.

WELCOME TABLE | We are hosting Welcome Table on February 9! Desserts and volunteers are always needed. If you can help, contact Nell Bovender.

STRONGER TOGETHER | The Stronger Together leadership has shifted the service, which was originally rescheduled for this Sunday, February 8 to April 26. The summer date may shift, too. Once those details have been solidified, the Deacons will decide which date our congregation will attend in 2026. We will share that information as soon as we are able.

YEAR END CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS | 2025 contribution statements were mailed out on January 22. If you have any questions about your statement, please email Debbie Ford, our financial secretary, at finance@fbcrutherfordton.org. Remember that she is in the office only 1-2 days a week (typically Monday and Wednesday).

YOKEFELLOW FOOD PANTRY | Continuing in February, we are collecting pork & beans. Cans can be either the small or regular size. Contributions can be left in the church office or near the Sanctuary doors. We hope that you can add a can or two to your weekly grocery shopping to help our neighbors in need.

SPINDALE ELEMENTARY BACKPACK COLLECTING | During the school year, we are 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 at the Sanctuary doors. We 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](#)

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PRAYER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Feb. 8 - Dale Heffner

Jeff Archer, John Roberts

Feb. 15 - Lori Herrick

Pam Robinson-Newton, John Blanton

WORSHIP CARE SCHEDULE

Feb. 8 - Lori Herrick & Jessica Godfrey

Feb. 15 - Penny Parker, Will Tompkins

MEALS ON WHEELS SCHEDULE

Feb. 6 - Bob Smith, Don Simmons

Feb. 20 - Scott & Jolie Kelly

USHERS FOR FEBRUARY

Todd Hodge (Coordinator), Daryl Camper, Jamie

Knox, Mindy Miller

BIRTHDAYS OF THE WEEK

Feb. 5 - Lindsay Schultz

Feb. 5 - Adam Heffner

Feb. 5 - Ruth Colnot

Feb. 7 - Rebekah Archer

Feb. 8 - Lori Boone Greene

Feb. 9 - Alan Herrick

Feb. 9 - Jamie Knox

Feb. 9 - Luke Archer

Feb. 9 - Jesse Roberts

Feb. 10 - Cathy Hawkins

Feb. 11 - India Jones

YOKEFELLOW ITEM OF THE MONTH

Pork & Beans

February Goal: 30

Collected: 0

January Collected: 36

SPINDALE ELEMENTARY WEEKEND BACKPACK COLLECTION

2025-2026 Church Leadership

Deacon Council

Debbie Bumgarner - Chair (2026)
Lori Herrick - Vice-Chair (2026)
Beth Archer - Secretary (2027)
Dale Heffner (2026)
Jane Simpson (2027)
Frank Jones (2027)
Ben Moore (2028)
Penny Parker (2028)
Belinda Camper (2028)

Administrative Leadership Council

Andy LaBreche - Chair (2027)
Chip Bond - Vice-Chair (2027)
Jessica Godfrey - Secretary/Church Clerk (2026)
Faith Archer (2026)
Kurt Parker (2026)
Gayle Youngblood (2027)
Laura Hodge (2028)
Carolyn Keever (2028)
Mike Stephenson (2028)

FINANCIAL UPDATE

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

Financial Records for February 1, 2026
No update due to inclement weather closure

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Upcoming Schedule

February

8 - Communion | Youth Ministry Super Bowl Party 6:00 p.m.
9 - Welcome Table | Treats due for College Ministry Valentine Box
11 - Church Meeting 6:15 p.m. | Children's Valentine Fundraiser 5:00 - 7:30 p.m.
12 - Senior Adult Valentine Banquet | Noon
18 - Ash Wednesday Service | 6:30 p.m.
22 - First Sunday of Lent | Deacons Meeting 4:45 p.m.
25 - The Grace of Les Miserable Lenten study begins | 6:15 p.m.

March

1 - Youth Lunch and Mission Project | Noon
9 - ALC Meeting | 6:00 p.m.
14 - Church Birthday Party and Talent Show | 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.
19/20 - CBF North Carolina Annual Gathering | Hayes Barton Baptist Church, Raleigh
22 - Youth Trip to Top Golf
28 - Easter Egg Hunt | 11:00 a.m.
29 - Palm Sunday

April

1 - No Activities (Holy Week)
2 - Maundy Thursday dinner | 5:30 p.m.
3 - Good Friday Stations of the Cross

5 - Easter Sunday
13 - Welcome Table
20 - Welcome Table
25 - Day of Caring

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