



## First Baptist Rutherfordton Newsletter | January 14, 2026

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**January 18, 2026 | 10:55 a.m.**

### **Songs of Worship**

*Christians, We Have Met to Worship  
See Our Lord in All His Glory  
Open Our Eyes  
I'll Cast My Cares on You  
Open My Eyes, That I May See*

### **Sermon**

"Come and See"  
John 1:29-39  
Terry Honeycutt

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### **YOUTH FUNDRAISER LUNCH**



# THANK YOU



We are incredibly grateful to our church family for their unwavering support of our students! Your generous contributions enabled us to raise over \$1,000.00 at our luncheon Sunday. This will significantly reduce the financial burden on each student's balance for camp!

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**STRONGER TOGETHER IS SUNDAY, JANUARY 25**

Multi-denominational  
Community Worship Service

Free Event

# 8th STRONGER WORSHIP SERVICE TOGETHER

Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026

**11AM**

RS Central High School  
641 US-221, Rutherfordton, NC 28139

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Join us at R.S. Central High School for the Stronger Together Community Service on Sunday, January 25, at 11:00 a.m. We will gather with other congregations in our community for a multi-denominational community worship service. Sunday school classes are welcome to meet beforehand, but we will not have worship in our sanctuary that morning. Children and Youth Sunday School classes are not meeting, but the preschool room will be open for care for parents in Sunday school.

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 27 | NOON

# SENIOR ADULTS LUNCH PIZZA GAMES, FELLOWSHIP

Sign-up in the Welcome Center  
or Contact Beth  
by January 21

FIRST BAPTIST RUTHERFORDTON  
246 N. MAIN ST.



*Children's Sunday School*



With the new year, we added new volunteers to our incredible group of Sunday leaders. We have grown to three classes, preschool, K-2, and 3 -5, each Sunday morning at 9:45.

We would love to have YOU join our team. We can use additional volunteers for each age group and during Children's Worship. For more information, reach out to Donna or stop by on Sunday morning for a visit.

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## CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING:

**WEDNESDAY EVENING GATHERINGS** | Dinner tonight is at 5:30 p.m., and the menu is sandwiches (chicken salad, ham, turkey, or roast beef), potato salad, macaroni salad, and chips (\$8/adult, \$5/child, \$20/family max). Following dinner, children's programming and a study on Prayers in the Bible will meet. Open Minds on Main will resume on January 21. We would love to have you join us!

**SPECIAL CALLED BUSINESS MEETING** | At 6:15 p.m. on Wednesday, January 21, we will have a special called business meeting to vote on the hiring of Pam McNeill as our church organist. Pam has been serving as our interim organist.

**YOKEFELLOW FOOD PANTRY** | Beginning this Sunday, 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.

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# FIRST BAPTIST PRAYS

## WEEKLY PRAYER LIST



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### PRAYER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

**Jan. 18** - Debbie Bumgarner

Terry Honeycutt, Mike Scruggs

**Jan. 25** - Penny Ann Parker

Andy LaBreche, Pam LaBreche

### BIRTHDAYS OF THE WEEK

Jan. 15 - Harry Waters

Jan. 17 - Paige Sappenfield-Wilson

Jan. 18 - Grayson Carson

Jan. 18 - Steve McBrayer

Jan. 19 - Ashley Bryant

Jan. 20 - Michael Brown

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### WORSHIP CARE SCHEDULE

**Jan. 18** - Faith Archer, Belinda Camper  
**Jan. 25** - Nell Bovender, Shelia Cuthbertson

Jan. 20 - Ken Willard  
Jan. 21 - Jessica Godfrey

#### MEALS ON WHEELS SCHEDULE

**Jan. 16** - Gayle Youngblood &  
Meryl Lawrence  
**Jan. 30** - Ken & Jackie Willard

#### YOKEFELLOW ITEM OF THE MONTH

Pork & Beans  
January Goal: 30  
Collected: 36

#### USHERS FOR JANUARY

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

December Collected: 36

#### SPINDALE ELEMENTARY WEEKEND BACKPACK COLLECTION

**Items needed:**  
Breakfast Bars & Snack Bars

### 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)

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#### FINANCIAL UPDATE

Financial Records for January 11, 2026  
Weekly Budget Requirement: \$8,802.94  
Budget Offering: \$6,956.26

YTD Budget Received as of January 11: \$130,353.98  
YTD Needed as of January 11: \$132,044.10

Annual Budget: \$457,753

### Upcoming Schedule

#### **January**

19 - Church Office Closed (MLK holiday) | Fellowship of Christian Women (off-site)  
21 - Called Business Meeting | 6:15 p.m.  
25 - Stronger Together Service | Deacons Meeting 4:45 p.m.  
26 - Administrative Leadership Council Meeting | 6:00 p.m.

#### **February**

2 - Welcome Table  
8 - Youth Ministry Super Bowl Party  
9 - Welcome Table

11 - Church Meeting  
18 - Ash Wednesday Service  
22 - First Sunday of Lent

### March

1 - Youth Lunch at Zaxby's followed by Mission Project  
14 - Church Birthday Party | 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
19/20 - CBF North Carolina Annual Gathering | Hayes Barton Baptist Church, Raleigh  
22 - Youth Trip to Top Golf  
29 - Palm Sunday

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