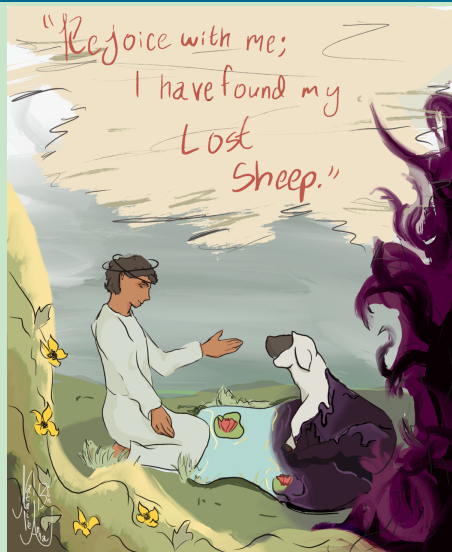


Celebrating 175 Years of
Loving God
Loving Others



First Baptist Church
Rutherfordton

First Baptist Rutherfordton Newsletter | July 8, 2026



July 12, 2026 | 10:55 a.m.
Youth & Children's Led Worship

Songs of Worship

Savior Like a Shepherd

My Lighthouse

Good Plans

Make Room

Baptism

We will celebrate the baptism of Trinity Campbell

Scripture

Psalms 23

Camp Testimonies

WATCH THE SERVICE HERE

PASSPORTKIDS CAMP



This delightful group of ladies are spending the week at Montreat in Black Mountain for PassportKids Camp!

FUGE CAMP



This wonderful group of young people (and their chaperones) are spending the week at Fuge Camp at Southern Wesleyan University in Central, SC.



Let's Celebrate
Dot Carnegie's 95th Birthday

Saturday, August 1
2-4 p.m.

First Baptist Church Rutherfordton
Fellowship Hall

RSVP TO
OFFICE@FBCRUTHERFORDTON.ORG
Please, no gifts. Birthday cards are appreciated.

JUST TWO SPOTS REMAIN!

SUMMER ADVOCACY CAMP

We are always teaching our children the ways of advocacy - be a friend; show love; share.

This summer, children will have an opportunity to learn how to be an advocate in four areas:

- Affordable Housing and Homelessness
- Hunger and Food Insecurity
- Creation Care
- Disabilities

AUGUST 3-6
9AM-3PM
RISING 3RD-6TH GRADE
\$30



Register Here!



TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE!

*Join us for an evening of
remembering and celebrating!*



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
RUTHERFORDTON

175TH
Anniversary
BANQUET

SATURDAY

SEPT.
26

5:30 P.M.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
FELLOWSHIP HALL
246 N. Main St.
Rutherfordton, NC

GET TICKETS HERE
\$10 SUGGESTED DONATION
CHILD CARE (INCLUDING
CHILDREN'S DINNER) PROVIDED
WITH RESERVATION



CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING:

OWLS FAITH NIGHT - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED | Stronger Together will have a sponsored table at the Owls Faith Night on Saturday, July 18. Our congregation is providing giveaway bags + volunteers for the table. Volunteers serve 1 hour blocks, from 4:00 p.m. to the end of the game. Contact Beth Archer if you can help volunteer for an hour (or more!).

WELCOME TABLE | We are hosting Welcome Table on July 13 and have depleted our supply of desserts! Can you help provide a dessert? Or volunteer? Both are needed! Contact Nell for more information.

175 ANNIVERSARY ART PROJECT | As part of our 175th anniversary celebration, you are invited to participate in a canvas art project! Pick up a blank canvas, paint a memory of First Baptist, and add your artwork to our anniversary wall. Pick up a blank canvas, along with instructions, in the church office.

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 the password **138147** to join via Zoom. No app download is needed; **reach out if you need help logging in.**

YOKEFELLOW FOOD PANTRY | This month, we are collecting **canned chicken**. 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.

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

July 12 - Ben Moore

Nell Bovender, Laura Hodge

July 19 - Belinda Camper

Charlotte Epley, Scott Carpenter

WORSHIP CARE SCHEDULE

July 12 - Lori Herrick, Jessica Godfrey

July 19 - Bob Smith, Rachel Tompkins

MEALS ON WHEELS SCHEDULE

July 17 - Belinda Camper, Penny Parker

July 31 - Janis Rosenbaum, Nell Bovender

USHERS FOR JULY

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

COLLEGE STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Corine Barnes

Graduate Student at Lenoir-Rhyne University
beginning in the Fall of 2026

BIRTHDAYS OF THE WEEK

July 9 - Andy Ruppe

July 9 - Chuck Godfrey

July 10 - Jonathan Barnes

July 10 - Nancy Giles

July 11 - Ryan Potts

July 11 - Mackenzie Hughes

July 11 - Madalyn Hughes

July 12 - Mike Bechtel

YOKEFELLOW ITEM OF THE MONTH:

Canned Chicken

July Goal: 30

Collected: 0

June Collected: 35

Contact the **office** if you would like contact information for our college students

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)

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

CLICK HERE TO GIVE

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Financial Records for July 5, 2026
Budget Offering: \$3,200
Weekly Budget Requirement: \$8,802.94

Local Missions Offering: \$1,364

YTD Budget Received as of July 5, 2026: \$334,369.03
YTD Needed as of June 28, 2026: \$352,117.60

Annual Budget: \$457,753

Upcoming Schedule

July

12 - Youth and Child-Led Worship
13 - Welcome Table
16 - Children's trip to Forest City Splash Pad | 1:00 p.m.
18 - Faith Night at the Owls Game
19 - Youth trip to Chimney Rock
25 - Children's trip to Skates & Stuff in Forest City

August

1 - Dot Carnegie's Birthday Party | 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
3-6 Children's Advocacy Camp
3 - Welcome Table | ALC Meeting
9 - Blessing of the Backpacks
11 - First Day of School (RCS)
19 - 2026-2027 Budget Presentation
26 - Churchwide Back to School Event | 5:30 p.m.

September

7 - Church Closed - Labor Day
8 - Women on Mission
9 - Wednesday Night Programming returns

11 - Lifeline Screening | 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

14 - Welcome Table

21 - Fellowship of Christian Women

26 - Anniversary Banquet | 5:30 p.m.

27 - 175th Anniversary Celebration Worship Service | 10:55 a.m.

27 - Stronger Together Service | 3:00 p.m.

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