



First Baptist Rutherfordton Newsletter | July 9, 2025



**WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY**  
**July 13, 2025 | 10:55 a.m.**

**Songs of Worship**

*You Are My All in All*  
*'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*  
*Holy Forever*  
*All Hail King Jesus*  
*Living Hope*

**Sermon**

"Hidden Figures: Rhoda"  
Acts 12:1-17  
Aimee Hobbs

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# EXPLOSION, IMPLOSION, & CHAIN REACTIONS

Kids' Summer Camp | Ages 4 years - completed 4<sup>th</sup> grade

JULY

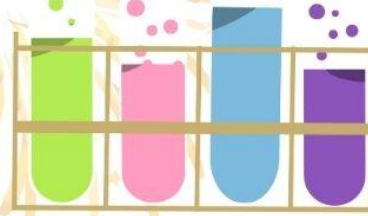
14-17

9 am - Noon

REGISTER



\$50



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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JANE CLINE!



We're happy to celebrate with another Noble Nonagenarian, Jane Cline, who will be enjoying her 92nd birthday on Wednesday, July 16. Jane and V.O. have been blessed with twin sons, a daughter, three grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

After receiving her degree in Home Economics & Science from UNC Greensboro's Women's College, Jane taught Home Economics in Statum, GA, and later at R.S. Central High School. She also spent many hours helping V.O. at the animal hospital, both assisting with the animals and as a part-time receptionist. After retiring, she has enjoyed her favorite pastime of quilting, much to the delight of many family members.

Jane has faithfully served FBCR in many capacities—Bible School worker, Sunday School teacher for both young people and adults, and a church hostess, as well as serving on the pastor search committee.

**Happy birthday, Jane!**

# Senior Summertime Social

THURSDAY, JULY 17  
5:00 - 7:00 PM

Come for a great time as we enjoy many things that  
summertime brings... but indoors!



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## A NOTE FROM SANDY SMITH'S FAMILY

Dear FBCR Family,

We have been overwhelmed by the love and support you have shown to us during this most difficult time. We truly appreciate the cards, calls, texts, visits, meals, and prayers from this church family. Your outpouring of love will not be forgotten. Thanks to you all.

The Family of Sandy Smith

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*We are collecting*

# SCHOOL SUPPLY CONTRIBUTIONS

These items will be distributed at a county-wide event on Saturday, August 2 at POPS Forest City

## ITEMS NEEDED

pencils, pens  
loose leaf paper, folders, binders  
highlighters, crayons, glue  
notebooks, erasers, rulers  
scissors, composition books  
colored pencils, pencil sharpeners

Bring your donations by July 27!



## CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING:

**RUTHERFORD COUNTY BACK 2 SCHOOL EVENT** | In addition to collecting school supplies (see graphic above), the Back 2 School event also needs volunteers! Volunteers are needed to pack backpacks on August 1, set up and tear down on August 1 & 2, and help serve families during the event on August 2. Can you help? Call 828-375-9315 to sign-up or learn more!

**CAN YOU HELP?** | Many hands makes lighter work is a definite truth. We that serve the youngest of our congregation need help to lighten our load and ask that you consider ways that you can help.

1. We need just 2 more volunteers to complete our **Sunday Morning Worship Care Team**. Each volunteer on the team will serve the children one Sunday from 10:50 - 12:00, every other month. Of course, when we are down team members, the time becomes more frequent.
2. Help is also needed the remaining two weeks of **Summer Camp**. We would love to have you join us for this outreach ministry one day or all 8 days!
3. **Wednesday morning play group** needs adult help this summer. Play group will meet 7 Wednesdays this summer from 9 - 1. We would love to have you join us for 1 day or all of the days!

For more information on any of these opportunities, reach out to **Donna**.

**SUMMER MUSIC CAMP: MUSICAL INSTRUMENT FAMILIES** | An introduction to instruments you've always been curious about! We are collaborating with Wild Roots Fine Arts, Symphony of Rutherford County, Rutherfordton Presbyterian Church, and First Presbyterian Forest City in hosting a summer music camp for ages 5 to adult! Camp is July 28-31 at First Presbyterian Forest City. **For more information or to register, visit here!**

**YOKEFELLOW DONATIONS NEEDED** | Yokefellow, one of our mission partners, is always in need of shelf-stable food items to distribute to our community. This month, they are asking for saltine crackers. If you can help, drop the donation by the church office and we'll deliver it to Yokefellow at the end of the month.

**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



CURRENT PRAYER  
LIST

SUBMIT A PRAYER REQUEST

### PRAYER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

**July 13** - Jane Simpson  
John Roberts, Joe Hughes

**July 20** - Frank Jones  
Jeff Archer, Daryl Camper

### NURSERY SCHEDULE

July 13 - Violet Onyango,  
Sheila Cuthbertson  
July 20 - Bob Smith, Will/Rachel Tompkins

### MEALS ON WHEELS SCHEDULE

July 18 - Belinda Camper and Penny Parker

### USHERS FOR JULY

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

### BIRTHDAYS OF THE WEEK

July 9 - Chuck Godfrey  
July 9 - Andy Ruppe  
July 9 - Sharon Scruggs  
July 10 - Jonathan Barnes  
July 10 - Nancy Giles  
July 11 - Ryan Potts  
July 11 - Mackenzie Hughes  
July 11 - Madalyn Hughes  
July 12 - Mike Bechtel  
July 15 - Seth Parton  
July 16 - Jane Cline

### YOKEFELLOW ITEM OF THE MONTH

Saltines

**July Goal:** 30 Boxes  
Collected: 7

**June Final: 36 of  
30 boxes of Saltines**

## 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)

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## FINANCIAL UPDATE

OFFERING Records for July 6, 2025  
Budget Requirements: \$8,232.70  
Budget Offering: \$5,818.12

YTD Received as of July 7: \$397,728.07  
YTD Needed as of June 30: \$340,300.74  
Annual Budget: \$428,100.00

A donation was made to the music ministry in memory of Sandy Smith by John & Lynn Blanton, Hazel Crook, James & Ellen Moss, and Sharon Scruggs.

A donation was made to the Senior Adult ministry in memory of Jerry Farmer by John & Lynn Blanton, Sharon Scruggs, and Gayle Youngblood.

A donation was made to the Welcome Table ministry in memory of Wilber Hardin by Jane Ford.

## Upcoming Schedule

### July

14 - Welcome Table  
14-17 - Children's Ministry Science Day Camp | 9 a.m. to Noon  
17 - Senior Summertime Social | 5 p.m.  
21 - ALC Meeting | 6 p.m.  
23 - Kid's Play Group | 9 a.m.  
27 - Youth Lunch and Photo Scavenger Hunt | Noon  
30 - Kid's Play Group | 9 a.m.  
28-31 - Summer Music Camp (offsite)

### August

2 - Community Back 2 School Bash in Forest City  
3 - Deacons Meeting | 4:45 p.m.  
4-7 - Children's Ministry Travelers Day Camp | 9 a.m. to Noon  
10 - Blessing of the Backpacks & Children's Bible Presentation  
11 - Welcome Table  
14 - Senior Adult Lunch (offsite)  
18 - ALC Meeting | 6 p.m.  
19 - Life Line Screening Day | 9 a.m.

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