

Rocky Springs Baptist Church Newsletter

A church with a rich past and a bright future ...

November 2018

Well here we are together approaching November. Can you believe it? It seems like yesterday we were celebrating the 4th of July, but here we are now nearing the end of October (as I write this article). To be quite honest my mind has already jumped past October 31st and my thoughts are already set on Thanksgiving and Christmas. I absolutely love this time of year. Cooler weather, fall colors, good food, the smell of cinnamon and other spices in the air and the seemingly sweeter dispositions of folks. Yeah, folks just seem to be a little nicer and a bit kinder this time of year. Grace seems to flow a little more easily and freely. Maybe it's because people are not irritated by the intense heat and high humidity of the summer. I know those things add stress to our already stress-filled lives. I really don't know why the change in attitudes, but I would like to think it's because we are approaching Thanksgiving and Christmas. It causes us all to pause and count our blessings and realize that our God is so loving, good, gracious, kind and merciful to us. He is worthy of all of our praise. Someone has written, "Thanksgiving is nothing if not a glad and reverent lifting of the heart to God in honour and praise for His goodness." ~Unknown

God is good, isn't He? He definitely is! So as we celebrate our Lord's goodness to us during these most special times of the year, let's make our prayers similar to that of Ann Graham Lotz:

"Lord,
Thank You for this Thanksgiving Day. Thank You for all the many, many blessings You bestow on us each and every day. Thank You for the little things we over look from day to day. Lord, I pray You feed the ones today less fortunate. Draw up real close to them and let them know how very precious You are. I pray Lord, for the ones who are down and out today. Lord, put your loving arms around them and draw them up close to You and show them your love. Thank You for each one around this table Lord, and thank You Lord, for the ones who prepared this food.

In your loving name, Amen!"

Lorraine and I love you all and hope you have the very best holiday season ever!

Pastor Larry Sellers <><



Men's Prayer Breakfast
is cancelled for
November and December.

Shannon and Carrie Lewis, missionaries, will be speaking at Rocky Springs on Wednesday, November 7 at 6:45pm. Family supper will begin at 5:45pm.

STEWARDSHIP AT ROCKY SPRINGS 2018

-- Our Financial Gifts to the Lord --

YTD Tithes & Offerings: \$172,227.64
YTD Budget Requirements: \$169,095.78

Dates	Tithes & Offerings	Bible Study Attendance	Worship Attendance
09/30/2018	\$2,901.00	57	53
10/07/2018	\$6,385.00	60	76
10/14/2018	\$12,441.00	52	61
10/21/2018	\$1,788.00	54	64
10/28/2018	\$1,732.00	48	NA

Ladies Annual Fall Luncheon- attendance: 77
Bible Alive Theater (Myra Green)-collected: \$395

In Memory of Heather Greeson, Marilyn Cox Jones,
Merrill Knighton Jr., and Larry Saulters: Amanda Patton

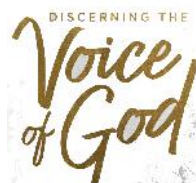


Georgia Barnette Offering
Our Goal: \$1,800
Total Collected: \$1,800

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

Collection is Sunday, November 11.

Remember to pray for the child who will receive your gift and include \$9 for the cost of shipping.



Ladies Bible Study- Priscilla Shirer's
Discerning the Voice of God
Sundays from 3:00pm- 5:00pm
through November 25

Sunday, November 4
Daylight Savings Time Ends



Rocky Springs - Thanksgiving Meal will be Sunday, November 11 after Worship Service. Our church will provide the meat, bread, and drinks. Please sign-up to bring side dishes and desserts. Everyone is invited!

Visit our website at www.rockysprings1845.com

Usher Assignments

Contact: Wayne Freeman

November 2018

Floyd Burns

Jerry Clements

Tommy Gaston

Thomas McRae

Family Suppers on Wednesday Nights

Contact: Karen Freeman

Nov 7: Gaston-Gaston

Nov 14: Aycock-Aycock

Nov 21: No Supper

Nov 28: Sellers-McRae

Extended Session

Contact: Pat Gaston

Nov 4: Shelley and Rhonda

Nov 11: Bobby and Judy

Nov 18: Angela and Cindy

Nov 25: Daphne and Rachael

It's a Boy!
Please join us for a
Baby Shower/Hamburger Dinner

Celebrating the arrival of
Thomas Lynn McRae, Jr.

Saturday, December 1, 2018
6:00 PM

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Registered at The Children's Shoppe,
Target, and Amazon



Mark your calendar to remember these special dates
at Rocky Springs for the Holidays...

Sun, Nov 11: Thanksgiving Meal after Morning Worship

Wed, Nov 21: Cancel Family Supper/Bible Study/Choir

Sun, Nov 25: Cancel Men's Prayer Breakfast

Wed, Nov 28: Family Supper/Business Meeting/Choir

Sun, Dec 16: Christmas Choir Special at 11am

Mon, Dec 24: Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 6pm

Wed, Dec 26: Cancel Family Supper/Bible Study/Choir

Sun, Dec 30: Cancel Men's Prayer Breakfast



Life at Rocky Springs

Sunday Regular Schedule

9:45am Bible Study
Nursery (birth-3 yrs)
11:00am Worship Service
Children's Church (4 yrs-3rd grade)

Wednesday Regular Schedule

5:45pm Family Supper ~ \$5 for adults & youth
~ \$3 for child 12 yrs & under
6:30pm Adult Prayer Meeting & Bible Study
Children & Youth Mission Activities
Business Meeting on 3rd Wed of each month
Nursery (birth-3 yrs)
7:15pm Choir Practice
Deacon's Meeting on 2nd Wed of each month



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Happy
Birthday
to you

Ayden Heard - Nov 2
Peggy McAdams - Nov 2
Sonny Mark Greeson - Nov 5
John Miller - Nov 6
Joe Richardson - Nov 7
Beth Hogan - Nov 10
Debbie Childress - Nov 11
Allen Young - Nov 18
Kathy Shoemaker - Nov 19
Patsy White - Nov 23

Rocky Springs - Finance Committee will begin working on the 2018 budget soon. If you have a budgetary need or update, then please contact the Committee Chairperson so they can meet with the committee to discuss in order to make a request. All requests need to be submitted to the Finance Committee by Sunday, November 18.

Thank you to the members who updated your phone numbers and email for our church records. An updated directory list will be available soon.

