

The Visitor

First Baptist Church of Smithfield

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No. 4

*Handbell
50th Anniversary
Celebration*



Come worship with us this Sunday, October 28, 2018 at 10:55 a.m. as we celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Handbell Choirs here at First Baptist Church. We will enjoy music from various handbell choirs directed by Vertie Perry.

Early worship will be held in Ryberg Hall Sunday, October 28th.

YOUTH FUNDRAISER LUNCHEON

Following the Handbell 50th Anniversary Celebration Service on Sunday, October 28th, our Youth will host a fundraiser luncheon. The menu is: Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Cranberry Cherry Salad and Desserts. Call the Church office to sign up. All proceeds go to support our summer youth missions efforts.



Sunday, November 4th is Baptist Women's Day, a day to acknowledge the vital role that women play in the life of First Baptist.

Women were very prominent in the ministry of Jesus. They willingly gave their energies and resources in support of His work. In addition, they were there at the cross when He was crucified...even after His male disciples had scattered.

Here at First Baptist we are proud of the contributions that women are making in the life of our church. We affirm them as equal partners in the ministry to which God has called us one and all.

2019 PROPOSED BUDGET

Enclosed please find the 2019 proposed Budget for First Baptist Church. We will have a Budget informational time in the Sanctuary on Wednesday, November 7 at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday, November 11 at 9:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will vote on the Budget Sunday, November 11th at the 11:00 service. If you have questions, please feel free to join us for one of our informational sessions or contact your Deacon.

FBC YOUTH INFORMATION

FBC Youth Group will meet in **Fellowship Hall** Sunday, October 28th and November 4 at 6:00 p.m. for Snack Supper followed by Bible Study at 7:00 p.m. in the **Youth Room**. This change is due to Early Voting in the Ministry Center Cafeteria area.

Snack Supper 10/28: Pizza.

Snack Supper 11/4: Carter & Hayden McLamb, Bella Leonard and Gracie Watson

NO YOUTH Wednesday, October 31.

FBC Youth Choir will begin rehearsing Sunday, November 4th, 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. in the Choir Room. All youth are invited to join.

FBC Youth Community Outreach Opportunity

Saturday, November 10 (Hurricane Florence Relief) Youth and Parents need to start letting me know **now** if you will be helping. We'll be traveling to Kennedy Home in Kinston to help them continue their recovery efforts. There are multiple options for serving; dry wall, painting, yard work, cleaning/organizing, repair/install flooring. Our goal is to work until lunch time then return to Smithfield. Lunch will be provided by Kennedy Home. We'll meet @ 7:30 a.m. in the bus parking lot to leave. We will NOT stop for breakfast. Go to bchfamily.org to complete permission form and bring with you on Saturday morning.

PARENTS - I need some folks to volunteer to come along with me. Please let me know how you would like to help.

SAMARITAN'S PURSE

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

We have been assigned our day/time to process shoe boxes in Charlotte, NC. Date: Friday, November 23, packing time: 1-5 p.m. Must be 13 years old and volunteers can sit down if needed. We will leave the church at 8:00 a.m. We have 25 spots. Please call me if you would be interested in participating this year or call the church office and leave your name and telephone number. Thank you! Terry Carroll 919-934-5882

DISASTER RELIEF OPPORTUNITIES

We are assembling work crews to do Disaster Relief on Friday 9 November or Saturday 10 November. Please contact the church office or Blair Maust 919-989-8344 with which date you would be able to attend. Respond by 5 Nov. so we can plan our job sites.

OUR KNOWN SICK

Billie Cretini (Smithfield Manor Rehab), Grace Creech (Home), Charlotte Hoyt (Home), Yvonne Moore (Smithfield Manor Rehab), Suzanne Johnson (Home), Jean Grice (Smithfield Manor Rehab)

SYMPATHY

We express our Christian sympathy to Melanie Proctor and family in the recent homegoing of her father, Jim Floors.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

ELVIS was spotted at the Fall Festival...along with several Super Heroes, Dinosaurs, Princesses, and even BB8 from Star Wars! Many thanks to Lauren Alford, Event Coordinator, and scores of volunteers who came out to make this year's Fall Festival a tremendous success! We thank God for the beautiful weather and put in our request for the same next year! Our generous church family provided many donations of candy, cupcakes, prizes and other items needed. It was a fun-filled afternoon for families in our community. Thank You First Baptist Family for being the light of Jesus to the children and this community! Children & Family Ministry Committee

Join Us to Celebrate these Upcoming Events:

- **November 18th** – “Operation Christmas Child” Shoe Boxes for Samaritan’s Purse. Children’s Sunday School classes will help Terry Carroll pack shoe boxes.
- **November 21st** - Thanksgiving Service @ 7:30 PM
- **December 9th** – Children’s Christmas Pageant @ 6 PM
- Community Caroling immediately follows the pageant @ 6:30 PM
- **December 15th** – Happy Birthday, Jesus! Pool Party @ SRAC (10 AM – 12 noon)
- **December 24th** – Christmas Eve Service @ 7:30 PM

WANTED: Contact information - As I begin to coordinate children and family ministries here at FBC, it would be very helpful to disperse information quickly to all families. I have chosen to use the **Remind** App (also being used in our youth ministry) as a communication tool. I created a Preschool and Children Parents “class” for caretakers of preschoolers - 5th graders. You can join the PK/Children Parent class by taking these steps:

Step 1: take out your phone and enter 81010. (This is a short telephone number used for Remind. Personal phone numbers are not used)

Step 2: Text the following code: @pkchi

If you do not text, then you can email to

pkchi@mail.remind.com

I will be available in the church office Monday, Tuesday and Thursday mornings 8 AM – 1 PM. If you have ideas, questions or concerns regarding children and family ministries, please share them with me. As a Coordinator, I value your input and hope to facilitate your family’s desire to worship God, follow Jesus and serve together in FUN ways!! Join Us!!

Birthdays are a BIG DEAL for children, so I hope you will make sure that I have your child’s birthday on my calendar!! You can text the name and birthday to 919-497-2104 or leave a voice message at 919-934-9927 (h) Thank you!
Amy Galloway, Children & Family Ministries Coordinator

STATE CONVENTION MESSENGERS

If you would like to be a Messenger to the Baptist State Convention October 5 & 6, please contact the Church office.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULING CHANGES

The Town of Smithfield will be observing Halloween on Wednesday, October 31st. Therefore church programming is cancelled for that evening. We want to be sensitive to families spending this time together as well as mitigating potential safety concerns for folks traveling in and out of neighborhoods. We are adding Wednesday night, December 19th to our fall block. This will give us an additional night for supper and programming for all ages.

METS UPCOMING TRIPS

Southern Supreme Fruitcake Factory and Store, Thursday, November 8th. Cost: \$3 per person (for gas). We will enjoy a short tour and shop in their store. We will leave the church at 7:30 a.m. and return by 2:00 p.m. (fast food lunch on the way back). Call the church office to sign up by or before Monday, November 5th.

Greensboro Christmas Spectacular at Lawndale Baptist Church, Saturday, December 8th. Cost: \$8.00 (includes ticket and gas). Leave the church at 11:30 a.m. Eat lunch before you come. We will stop to eat supper on the way back. Sign up in the church office and pay before Friday, November 2. No refunds unless the trip is cancelled.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE THANK YOU AND WELCOME

The Children's Ministry Board sends a BIG THANK YOU to Margie Littlefield, who has served as Interim FBC After School Care/Summer Adventures (ASC/SA) Director since school started. Margie has served as a tremendous resource during the Director transition period. Let her know how much FBC appreciates all the work she has provided for the children in these programs!

The After School Care/Summer Adventures Program welcomes Donna Donovan as the new FBC ASC/SA Director. The Children's Ministry Board is excited about the leadership and enthusiasm Donna brings to FBC. She has many great ideas and has already engaged the children in mission opportunities during teacher workdays and After School Care. Follow FBC Smithfield After School Care on Facebook to see the latest happenings!

THANK YOU

To the First Baptist Church Family, Thank you very much for the gifts that you gave away to our staff! What a blessing! Our staff is truly appreciative of your kindness and thoughtfulness. With love and respect, Laura Makey, Principal, South Smithfield Elementary School

URGENT NEED

The Community Kitchen is in desperate need of volunteers to pick up food at Outback Restaurant on Thursdays at 2:30 p.m. Contact Jeanette Massengill at 919-934-2734 if you can help.

FROM THE PULPIT

October 28 Sermon by Lee Colbert
"Are You Listening?"
1 Samuel 3:1-20

November 4 Baptist Women's Day
Speaking to the Occasion
Mary Aker, Margie Littlefield and Anna Newsome

WEEKLY SERVICES & OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday

8:45 A.M. Early Worship, Fellowship Hall
9:45 A.M. Sunday School Classes for all ages
10:00 A.M. Radio Bible Class, taught by June Ward, broadcast over 1090 AM & 105.5 FM
10:55 A.M. Morning Worship, broadcast over 1090 AM & 105.5 FM
11:00 A.M. Hispanic Worship Service
12:00 P.M. Youth Fundraiser Luncheon, Fellowship Hall
5:00 P.M. Youth Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room (11/4)
6:00 P.M. FBC Youth Activities, Ministry Center
6:30 P.M. Praise Ringers Handbells, Alatheia Room

Monday

10:00 A.M. Clothes Closet, Ministry Center, end at noon
10:00 A.M. Household Closet, Ministry Center, end at noon
10:00 A.M. Adult Respite Care, Ministry Center, end at 2:00

Wednesday

10:00 A.M. Wednesday Morning Bible Study, Ministry Center
5:30 P.M. Family Night Supper
6:00 P.M. Children's Choirs, Ages 4, Kindergarten: Preschool V; Grades 1-5, Adult II
6:15 P.M. GriefShare, Ministry Center
6:30 P.M. First Baptist Bells Rehearsal, Alatheia Room
6:30 P.M. Small Groups for Adults
6:30 P.M. Book of Romans Bible Study by Henry Wright, Fellowship Hall
6:30 P.M. Mission Friends for ages 3 – Kindergarten
6:30 P.M. Children in Action for Grades 1-5
6:30 P.M. Youth Activities
7:30 P.M. Sanctuary Choir Practice, Music Room

NOTE: NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER OR PROGRAMMING, OCTOBER 31

Thursday

10:00 A.M. Clothes Closet, Ministry Center, end at noon
10:00 A.M. Household Closet, Ministry Center, end at noon
10:00 A.M. Adult Respite Care, Ministry Center, end at 2:00

Friday

1:00 P.M. Pinecone Christmas Tree Project, Craft Room

2018 BUDGET INFORMATION

General Fund

Budget needs per week:	\$17,832.79
Received as of 10/14/18	\$14,824.68
Budget needs Year to Date	\$718,844.39
Received Year to Date	\$646,473.04

Building Fund

Needs per week	\$2,922.75
Received 10/14/18	\$3,978.33
Needs Year to Date	\$111,064.50
Received Year to Date	\$112,207.04

2018 BUDGET INFORMATION

General Fund

Budget needs per week:	\$17,832.79
Received as of 10/21/18	\$9,851.36
Budget needs Year to Date	\$736,377.18
Received Year to Date	\$656,324.40

Building Fund

Needs per week	\$2,922.75
Received 10/21/18	\$1,217.77
Needs Year to Date	\$113,397.25
Received Year to Date	\$113,424.81

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH STAFF

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| Minister of Youth and Education | Bryan Harris |
| Minister of Music | Braxton Kubasko |
| Children and Family Ministries Coordinator | Amy Galloway |
| Organist | Marshall Tyson |
| Director of After School Care | Donna Donovan |
| Director of Weekday Early Education | June Ward |
| Administrative Staff | Janice Holland, Glenda Strickland
Margie Crumley |

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