

LITTLETON BAPTIST NEWS

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"Our mission is to make Christ known, by providing spiritual nourishment, ministering to physical needs, and sharing the Gospel."



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IN MEMORY

Mrs. Louise Ricks Barrett

*For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son
that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life. John 3:16*

PASTOR'S PARAGRAPH

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ME!!!! July is my absolute favorite month out of the year, obviously because it is my birthday. And what more could I ask for than such a wonderful church family that we have here at Littleton Baptist Church.

It was exactly one year ago that we resumed our in-person worship services. And I am so thankful that over the past year we have slowly re-introduced so many elements that make our worship services so special. Each member has played a vital part in making that happen, whether it was your patience and willingness to adapt or you were a part of the many committees that helped to give input into our church policies during this time.

As July rolls around again, one of the things that I want to give an emphasis to is our fellowship events. I have missed these events terribly over the past year. I have missed gathering at the table eating ice cream or chili. I have missed just talking and hanging out with you all in a social setting. And that is something that I want us to focus on more.


We have called ourselves a family, and I want our family to get back together. Sometimes we have to do missions within our church, reforming those bonds. Over the next several months, our church will give you plenty of opportunities for reforming the bonds that we have missed through various fellowship gatherings. I pray that you take advantage of some of these events. Come hang out with those people that you haven't seen in a while. Get to know people that you may not know as well. But most importantly, worship through fellowship. Grow closer to God through the bonds of church family. For once we are united as a church, we can then successfully participate in the missions in the community.

As far as worship goes in the month of July, we will continue our hymn series that we began last month. We will be looking at the freedom that we have in Christ through the hymn Jesus Paid It All. We will be looking at how we must love the Lord our God with our minds and continue to grow in our faith through learning with the hymn The Solid Rock. We will be looking at missions and how we can be each other's servants through the hymn The Servant Song. And finally we will be looking at Heaven through the hymn When We All Get To Heaven.

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July 2021

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I am looking forward to fellowshiping and worshipping with each of you again. I pray this month will be a blessing in many different ways, not just during our worship but through many of our other events. There is no better time to be a part of this family than right now.

Grace and Peace,

David



This year is really flying by so quickly! It's hard to believe that we are getting ready to celebrate the 4th of July! You know...it's only 195 days left until Christmas! I am writing this on June 13th so you can deduct a few more days from that number!

God blessed so many people with beautiful singing voices! I tried for many years to get my dear friend Suzanne Pearce to join the choir, but unfortunately she told me many times that God did not give her that wonderful gift! It didn't matter, though. Suzanne and Billy shared many other talents with our church. It breaks my heart to see Suzanne moving to Charlotte, but she will be able to spend so much more time with Carmen and her family. I know that she knows how much she is loved by our church family. She will always have a seat in our congregation and a place in our hearts! We love you Susie Q!!!

We will not be having choir rehearsals in July. We will resume our rehearsals on August 11th in the fellowship hall! If God blessed you with a singing voice you are always welcome to join us!!!

Happy 4th of July!

Laura



THIS MONTH IN WORSHIP

Join us for our Sunday Morning Worship.

If you can't be with us at church then

join us online for our

**Virtual Worship Service on
Facebook Live at 11:00 A.M.**

July 4

Jesus Paid It All

1 Timothy 1:12-17

Communion

July 11

The Solid Rock

Matthew 22:34-40

July 18

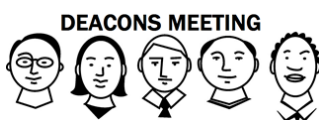
The Servant Song

Galatians 5:13-15

July 25

When We All Get To Heaven

Revelation 7:9-12



Our Deacons will meet virtually on Sunday, **July 11**, at 7:00 P.M. Please pray for our deacons and their invaluable leadership to our church.



The youth will not meet regularly on Sunday nights during the month of July, but keep an eye out over text and e-mails. There will be plenty of times for our youth group to participate in some great fellowship activities throughout this month.



On Sunday, **July 4**, we will celebrate the Lord's Supper during the Morning Worship. It is a special privilege God gives to us as believers to faithfully remember the sacrifice our Lord Jesus Christ made for each of us. As you enter the sanctuary please pick up your pre-packaged communion cup & bread. Additionally, you will be given opportunity to contribute to our church Fellowship Fund for local benevolence.

MISSION MOMENTS

Summertime and living is easy (and hot)! I have heard this saying my whole life and have often wondered where this saying came from. There is so much that has to be done - freezing or canning vegetables, cutting grass, keeping flower beds cleaned, planning vacation trips, making homemade ice cream - the list goes on and on. Life is good and sometimes easy but it is busy.

After more than a year, our church is open for worshipping, sharing and enjoying each other's company. Hugs are shared, talking is heard and those smiles are still making our faces shine. As God's hands and feet, we need to share his love in everything we do. We are the window into His love. We may be the only Bible that someone "reads". As we enjoy summertime, share God's love with everyone you come into contact with throughout your day. Let the life you live be God centered and God led.

Happy Summer!



Take Me Out to the Ball Game! You heard that right; we are headed to the Mudcats Game on August 7th. Game time is 5:00 PM. This will be a church wide event, so everyone is invited. Come out and enjoy the atmosphere, fellowship, and hopefully a Mudcats win! You must sign up by August 1st. How many people sign up will help determine the price.

Prayers for Leadership Selection

Though decisions are still more than a month away, it's not too early for each of us to begin to pray. During the month of August our Nominating Committee will be working together to nominate officers and teachers for the new church year. Please be in prayer about these decisions as we seek to discern God's way in these matters.

We All Scream



for Ice Cream!

We are so happy to be able to have our Ice Cream Socials this year! Our first one is scheduled for Sunday, **July 18**, at 6:00 P.M. Everyone is invited to attend with a hungry appetite, and if you can, please bring a freezer of homemade ice cream or snacks to complement the ice cream. Bring a friend to join the Christian fellowship we will enjoy together!



OUTDOOR WORLD

Our Outdoor World Services continue each Sunday through Labor Day weekend at 8:30 A.M. Please pray for this ministry and find a way in which you can be involved. Speak, sing, promote, pray! All are important. For more information contact Mike Crawley.



EXERCISE

Join us for a great time of exercising and socializing! We meet on Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 8:30 A.M. at the church. For more information see Jan Miller or Betty Anne Shearin.





We can't believe July is already here! It's summertime! Come on out to church and enjoy yourselves.

July's Flower Schedule is as follows:

July 4- The Lord's Supper

July 11 - Available

July 18 - Available

July 25 - Available

Don't forget about the flower sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the hallway at church. If you would like to place flowers in church, please contact a member of the Flower Committee by phone or email:

Sandra Lynch, (252) 578-3495 or sandralynch337@gmail.com

Kay Beaver, (252) 586-2014 or dbeaver10@gmail.com.

You can also contact the church office by email: office@litletonbaptistchurch.org. Let us know what you want to post in the bulletin.

We want to thank YOU for all your help this past year! You are always so generous! We really appreciate YOU!

PRAYER & Bible Study



There will be no Prayer & Bible Study during the month of July. In August we will resume our regular schedule with Choir at 6:30 P.M. and Prayer & Bible Study at 7:30 P.M.

We're
Having a
Picnic



SAVE THE DATE!!!!

We are so excited! We have scheduled our 2021 Annual Church Picnic. It was so sad to have to cancel it last year!

Mark your calendar now for our church picnic Sunday, September 5, at Sid and Betty Anne Shearin's restored farm on Bowers Road. If you have family or friends spending the holiday weekend with you, please bring them to the picnic also. There will be games like corn hole, ping pong, badminton, etc. and the Lego and bubble tables for children. You can fish in the ponds and/or walk the trail. The dinner bell will ring about 5:30 P.M. but come earlier so you can enjoy all the festivities! Master Chef David Tripp will have his grilling machine to cook the hot dogs and hamburgers. Bring your lawn chairs and join us for a great time of Christian Fellowship and food! It is a great way to end the summer season. Hope to see you there!!!

****Go south on Mosby Avenue and turn left at the Person's Ordinary Historic Marker. (It is Warren Road but the street sign is gone). Take the second right which is Bowers Road. Go approximately 6 miles. Their home is on the right, across the road from the intersection of Warren's Pond Road. Please call Sid or Betty Anne at 586-4607 if you need more information.**

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<u>HAPPY BIRTHDAY</u>	<u>HAPPY ANNIVERSARY</u>	<u>NURSERY WORKERS</u>
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