

LITTLETON BAPTIST NEWS

A Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Congregation

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

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PASTOR'S PARAGRAPH

It's October again. Time for playoff baseball. Time for hockey again. Football is in full swing. Days are getting shorter and colder. The NC State Fair is just around the corner. So many wonderful things happening around us in the world.

But inside the church, there are a lot of wonderful things happening. We just elected new leaders and October is when they begin their work. The first Sunday in October is World Communion Sunday, a Sunday dedicated for all denominations to gather around the table of Christ to remember the sacrifice that he made for us.

The image of all people gathering around the table is special to me. It doesn't matter what type of church we are. Whether we are Baptists, Catholics, Methodists, traditional, contemporary, urban, suburban, rural, black, white, it doesn't matter. We all are saved by the same blood of Christ. We all gather to worship the same God. And he offers a place at the same table.

That image is one that never gets old to me. And it's that image that inspired my sermon series for the month of October.

This month we will be looking at the Gospel of Luke's different "table talks". This is where Jesus is sharing at a meal with others and using this time as a teaching moment. Whether he is dining with his disciples, the Pharisees, or the outsiders. Luke has many accounts of Jesus sharing a meal with people and using that time to be present with them.

As we look around our own world, when was the last time you just shared a meal with someone? Meals are an important part of our culture. It is when people come together and are able to share this important moment.

So as we go through this series, I encourage all of our members to share a meal with someone. Whether it's a meal with your own family or a Sunday after church lunch with someone different. Take this intentional time for eating together to be present with one another. Being intentional makes all the difference in the world. So go ahead, have a seat at the table.

Grace and Peace,

David



October 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship	3 8:00 Exercise	4	5 8:30 Exercise 6:00 Young Family Bible Study 6:15 Adult Choir 7:00 Prayer & Bible Study	6	7 8:00 Exercise	8
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Music is all around us. I'm sitting on my porch enjoying this beautiful day and I'm hearing the barking of dogs, the songs of the birds, and a squirrel chattering in a tree. Fall is here so the music of the birds will be slowly disappearing but there will be another sound of nature to take its place. If you haven't recently listened to the sounds of nature stop and listen! God is everywhere and this is definitely evident in the beautiful sounds that don't require any instruments or electronic devices!

Happy Fall!

Laura



My prayers have been answered! We have a beautiful playground! I want to thank all of those who came out on September 24th to help this dream become a reality! It was so good to see so many church members and the volunteers from the Norlina Baptist Church Youth Group. It was a wonderful experience to see us all come together for the glory of God! We will be having a dedication service after Church in the near future. I know our sweet Karen Sineath is looking down with a big smile and saying, "Well, it's about time!" I am so looking forward to watching our children enjoy "Granny's Playground!"

Laura



Young Family Bible Study will meet Wednesdays **October 5th** and **19th** at 6:00 P.M.



The youth will be taking the lead in sharing meals with each other intentionally this month. **October 9th** we will meet at 2:00 PM at the church and travel to Kens Korny Corn Maze in Garner and have dinner afterwards. Please let Pastor David know if you want to attend. On **October 23rd** we will go out for a fellowship meal that will include our Bible Study. We look forward to a great month with our youth.



FROM THE
Pulpit

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.

OCTOBER 2

At The Table with the Savior

Luke 22:14-23

Communion

OCTOBER 9

At The Table with the Enemy

Luke 5:27-32

OCTOBER 16

At The Table with the Uninvited Guest

Luke 7:36-50

OCTOBER 23

At The Table with the Hungry

Luke 9:10-17

OCTOBER 30

At The Table with the Unwashed

Luke 11:37-54



Thank You
SO Much!

Thank you to all those that donated things and volunteered their time to help with the Yard Sale that benefitted the John 3:16 Center during Labor Day weekend! It

was a HUGE success and we wouldn't have been able to do it without everyone's help! A big thank you to those that helped with the clean up!



October 2nd is World Communion Sunday. We will celebrate the Lord's Supper during worship. Be present for this special time as we remember once again the sacrifice of our Lord for you and me. Remember as you depart you will be given the opportunity to contribute to the Fellowship Fund for local benevolence.



Appalachian Coalfields Christmas Outreach 2022 is a project run by NC Baptists on Mission. Their goal is to collect 19,000 backpacks of items to be distributed to Appalachian children in areas of need. We at Littleton Baptist would like to participate in this ministry this year.



You can help by purchasing a **NEW school backpack** that you will fill with the following items. Right now is a good time to buy backpacks.

- A) Items of NEW warm clothing.** Please try to provide a winter hat, a pair of gloves, 2-3 pair of winter socks, and maybe a scarf.
- B) Small pop-top canned food** items such as ravioli, tuna, beef stew, vegetables, fruit (3-4 cans - no plastic containers, please)
- C) At least 1 or 2 NEW, age appropriate non-breakable toy(s)** (no toy weapons, please!) This can include small cars, balls, dolls, small stuffed animals, puzzles, jump rope, sidewalk chalk, card games, Legos, etc. For oldest age group (15-17) substitute an appropriate item instead of a toy, such as, a flashlight, small thermos, light blanket, earbuds, small tool kits, fishing gear, books, hunting, fishing or sports magazines for the boys - jewelry, books, earbuds, skin care products, hair accessories, small travel-sized hair dryer, etc. for girls.
- D) Hygiene items** including full sized containers of toothpaste, body wash, shampoo, and deodorant, as well as toothbrush, soap, washcloth, brush or comb. *(Please fit these items into a one gallon Ziploc bag so they do not leak out into the rest of the backpack).*
- E) Fresh, wrapped candy** (no chocolate please, as it may melt; and no peanut products because of potential allergies)
- F) A children's Bible or youth Bible** (no one version is required) **Please make sure that every pack has a regular sized (not Gideon sized, please) Bible in it! This is the most important part!**

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please make sure all items fit into the backpack. Nothing should be attached to the outside of the pack except the ribbons identifying age and boy/girl. Items outside of the backpack do not store and travel well. Many are either torn off or become quite dirty in transport. Also, please do not tape the outside of the backpacks as it leaves a sticky residue.

Age Grouping and Labeling. Each backpack should be labeled boy or girl as well as the appropriate age. Age groupings for this year are **4-7, 8-10, 11-14, 15-17**. Due to labels falling off in previous years, we have now gone to a ribbon system for labeling, and it has proven to be very effective. Each backpack will have two 10 inch ribbons tied to them - one to indicate gender and one for age, as follows:

Gender:

Blue ribbon will indicate a boy's backpack.
Pink ribbon will indicate a girl's backpack.

Age:

Yellow ribbon for ages 4-7
Green ribbon for ages 8-10
Red ribbon for ages 11-14
White ribbon for ages 15-17.

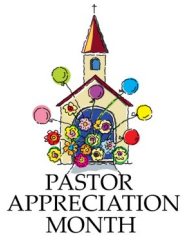
We ask that you prepare your backpack as you would for your own child or grandchild, with new items, not used ones. This quality gift could be the only Christmas present this child receives, and will be a witness of Christ's love!



We will be taking a church-wide trip to the Carolina Hurricanes vs Toronto Maple Leaves hockey game on Sunday **November 6th**. Game time will be at 5:00 P.M. and tickets will be \$40.00 per person. We have 14 spots available so if you are interested in going, please let Pastor David know. This will be a wonderful time of fellowship as we enjoy a great game.



Our Deacons will meet following Morning Worship on Sunday, **October 9th**. We welcome our two newest deacons, Paula Burton and David Tripp. Special thanks to Mike Crawley & Sid Shearin who completed their terms of service in September. Please pray for our deacons and their invaluable leadership to our church.



OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH. BE SURE TO LET PASTOR DAVID KNOW HOW MUCH HE IS APPRECIATED AND LOVED.



Our next Quarterly Business Meeting is Wednesday, **October 12th**, at 7:00 P.M. These quarterly meetings are vital to the church and her ministry as we report, discuss, plan and consider the ongoing needs that will strengthen us as the people of God. You are encouraged to be present and to always be prayerful about our church's ministries!



We want to thank you for selecting us to serve on the Flower Committee again. We realize because of your commitment and generosity our church is always beautiful! Thank you so much!

If you would like to place flowers in church, please contact one of us by phone or email:

Sandra Lynch, Chairperson - (252) 578-3495 or sandralynch337@gmail.com,
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You can also contact the church office by email: office@littletonbaptistchurch.org

October 9th, 16th, 23rd, and 30th are still available. If you would like to reserve one of these dates, please let us know.

Also, it is time to start thinking about placing Poinsettias in LBC to grace our sanctuary for the month of December in memory or in honor of your loved one. Kay Beaver or I will be glad to take your orders. I am waiting to hear back from the new owners of Lassiter's Plant Farm for prices. He said he should get with us real soon. As soon as I know this information, I will get Kay to post it in the Sunday Bulletins and online.

Thank you again for being so awesome!

HOMEcoming INVITATION CELEBRATING 149 YEARS

All Members, Former Members, Friends and Family

Are cordially invited to Littleton Baptist Church

On Sunday, November 13, 2022 at 11:00 A.M.

For our Annual Homecoming Services and Lunch.

Rev. Andy Hale will be the speaker.

Rev. Hale is Pastor David's former youth pastor

and has recently returned to North Carolina after serving as

senior pastor at University Baptist Church in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Rev. Hale currently serves as the Associate Executive Director of CBFNC.

We invite everyone to join us after worship for our Homecoming Lunch.

There will be no Sunday School on this day.

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<u>HAPPY BIRTHDAY</u>	<u>HAPPY ANNIVERSARY</u>	<u>TRASH DETAIL</u>
2 Elizabeth Neville 3 Ashby Burton 5 Perry Myrick (Myrick) (2 yrs) 8 Mike Crawley 12 Jan Myrick 12 Larry Thomas West 15 Jeff Burton 18 Louise Gibson 25 Jack Tant 26 Mary Beth Labrecque	8 Perry & Casey Myrick (6 yrs) 11 Jim & Debbie Sineath (8 yrs) 15 Josh & Samantha Hall (6 yrs) 27 Jeff & Paula Burton (32 yrs)	Thad Harris
		<u>NURSERY</u>
		2 Sara Council/Jan Myrick 9 Melinda Harris/Sandra Lynch 16 Paula Burton/Amanda Coffman 23 Amanda Coffman/Bob Thompson 30 Lynne Skilton/Jim Skilton