

# 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 is June again. That means summertime. That means the heat is back. It's a wonderful time to enjoy the beautiful lake we have. Sometimes the summer months can be hard for a church, because summer means vacations. People want to say, let's get through the summer and then everyone will be back in place. But as the church transitions in this fast-moving world, what does back in place mean? We have the capabilities to be the church all over the world. With the internet and our virtual services, we can still be a church, even if everyone is on vacation.

So if you are going on vacation this summer, I encourage you to still join us. Be a part of our amazing congregation even as you enjoy the fun. You may not be with us at 11:00 A.M. on Sunday mornings, but you can still be a part of the family. You can even contact myself before you leave for some good vacation resources. You may be taking a week's vacation, but the church is still here. Your faith shouldn't take a vacation. As you travel, allow your faith to still grow.

As we enter the summer months, that also means that our Summer Music Series is back! This summer is going to be special. We will not be focusing on one particular artist, instead the music will be inspired by the psalms. The Book of Psalms was the first music book for the church, so allow the songs that were inspired by them be an inspiration for you.

We kick off the summer with Graduate Recognition Sunday as we honor Hannah Skinner and the incredible work she has accomplished and will continue to accomplish at NC State. We look forward to celebrating her this Sunday as we show the true light that will light her path.

We then move onto a celebration of music in the church as we proclaim God's glory over everything. This year for Father's Day, the Biblical father we will be looking at will be our Biblical forefathers that include Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. We will end June with Music Sunday where the entire service will revolve around music as we celebrate how music has been a vital part of our church's 150 years in Littleton.

So as we enter the summer, do not let it get you down, instead allow the summer to lift you up. No matter where you go, allow the church to inspire you and allow your faith to grow.

Grace and Peace,

*David*



# June 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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God created us with the ability to sing and make music. Music is an important part of our worship and praise to God. Can you imagine how quiet it would be on Sunday mornings without the music?

There are many verses about music in the Bible. One of my favorites is found in Colossians 3:16. "Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts."

We will be celebrating Music Sunday on June 25<sup>th</sup> during the worship service. There will be a lot of singing and special music! Please plan on joining us so you can use that ability that God gave you... singing!

*Laura*



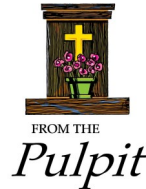
What a wonderful day we had dedicating the Playground on May 21<sup>st</sup>. Jim Sineath and Karen's sister, Denise, were here to cut the ribbon and officially open the playground! As soon as Karen's name was mentioned the sun broke

through the clouds! Thank you for your donations that helped Jim's dream come true. Granny's Playground will be enjoyed by our children now and the children in the future of Littleton Baptist Church. Karen is looking down and smiling on Jim and Denise's dream that came true!

Playground Committee



The Deacons will meet on Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, following Morning Worship. Please continue to pray for our deacons and their invaluable leadership to our church.



## 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.

**JUNE 4**

A Light For My Path

Psalm 119:105

Graduate Recognition Sunday

**JUNE 11**

Give You Glory

Psalm 150

**JUNE 18**

The Stories I Tell Myself

Psalm 105:1-11

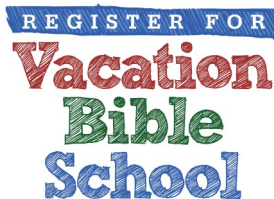
Father's Day

**JUNE 25**

Music Sunday



Thousand Trails (Outdoor World) Services continue at 8:30 A.M. each Sunday through Labor Day weekend. If you are willing to participate, either speaking or assisting with special music, please see Mike Crawley.



Vacation Bible School will be held from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon on June 19<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> at Lakeside Lutheran Church.

Please pre-register now:

[https://lakesidelutheran.com/vacation\\_bible\\_school](https://lakesidelutheran.com/vacation_bible_school)



On Father's Day, Sunday, **June 18<sup>th</sup>**, we will take time to honor our fathers, past and present. Be with us as we take time to especially honor Christian Fathers who daily live their faith in the family and world!



Youth will be taking a break from formal meeting times for the months of June and July but keep an eye on text messages for some fun activities throughout the summer.



The first of our Summer Ice Cream Socials will be Sunday, **June 11<sup>th</sup>**, at 6:00 P.M. in the fellowship hall. If you can, bring a freezer of homemade ice cream. It will be appreciated and enjoyed. If you can't, then bring a topping or trimming to go with the ice cream. If neither is possible, just come and enjoy some ice cream and old-fashioned LBC fellowship.



June is a special month! We celebrate Father's Day! It reminds us of God's blessings given. God always watches over us.

If you would like to place flowers in church this month all Sundays are available. Feel free to pick the Sunday of your choice. Don't forget about the flower sign up sheet 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  
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You can also contact the church office by email: [office@littletonbaptistchurch.org](mailto:office@littletonbaptistchurch.org). Let us know what you want to post in the bulletin.

We hope you have a fabulous month! Thanks for all you do!



Thank you does not seem like enough for the wonderful Children's Carnival that was held on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. So many of our members and neighbors helped make this day one full of sharing, caring and love. Smiling faces and "May I please", to "Thank you" were seen and heard many, many times. You gave of your money but more importantly, you gave of your time and your heart. The day was perfect for an outdoor event after four years of not being able to have the carnival. All of the 200 Goodie Bags were given out. Children picked out books and received a Bible if they needed one. Hotdogs, snow cones, popcorn and drinks were served and enjoyed. Games, a bounce/slide blow-up, face painting/tattoos, bubbles and prizes were enjoyed. The John 3:16 Center in Littleton opened their facilities and hearts to help make this a very special day. So many people to thank. So much love shared. So many lives got to experience God's love. Thank you!!!

During the summer we are going to fill baskets with lots of fun items and deliver them to our shut-ins and homebound. More information will be shared as a time and date are set so others can join in the experience.

Please save the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of August for an opportunity to help the John 3:16 Community Resource Center in Roanoke Rapids for their Community Partner Saturday Sale. We will be working in the thrift store and making money to use for future missions projects. We will keep you posted.

Thank you for being a loving, caring church community that shares God's love.



## REFLECTING ON THE KID'S CARNIVAL

The Kid's Carnival, as it's known today, has been a vital part of Littleton Baptist Church's outreach since its beginnings in 2008. Initially it was a CBFNC ministry which included cooperation with helping agencies in Henderson and Littleton areas as well as the carnival at the John 3:16 Center. In its beginning years, it was a collaboration with four CBFNC churches, First Baptist, Henderson; Warrenton and Wise Baptist Churches and LBC. While many of the early initiatives were short in duration, the Carnival has continued year after year until this day. The purpose was always to give children in the area, particularly those with little opportunity, to participate in carnival events to share in the fun. Some of these events at the carnival have included: bounce houses, obstacle course blow ups, to varieties of games, crafts, puppets, music and food. Free hot dogs, cotton candy, popcorn, and drinks. Around 200 children have participated annually in the event. Each child that attends also receives a goodie bag that includes Bibles, activities, books, snacks and so much more. Additionally, there have been medical screenings for all. God has truly blessed this ministry of LBC. Volunteers from the church and community have faithfully served each year. While COVID and rain interruptions have made it difficult in recent years, this outreach reaches lives and people with the love of Christ. May God continue to use it for His glory in the years to come.



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<u>HAPPY BIRTHDAY</u>	<u>HAPPY ANNIVERSARY</u>	<u>NURSERY</u>
1 Jackson Council (3 yrs) 3 Adelyn Kearney (7 yrs) 3 Daley Ross 12 David Tripp 15 Monica Phillis 16 Hannah Skinner (18 yrs) 16 Connie Turner 16 Patrick Pegram 24 Amanda Coffman 25 Megan Conner 25 Perry Myrick 26 Sarah Neville 27 Ryan Hockaday 30 Wyatt Iles (9 yrs) 30 Betty Bodkin	5 Dale & Carol Meyer (47 yrs) 6 Lowell & Virginia Lee (69 yrs) 7 Jim & Monica Phillis (15 yrs) 8 Thad & Melinda Harris (54 yrs) 10 Michael & Megan Conner (17 yrs) 14 Roman Martinez & Neva Lopez (20 yrs) 15 Claude & Sandra Lynch (43 yrs) 27 Jimmy & Sandra Felts (31 yrs) 30 Ray & Brenda Holloman (55 yrs)	4 Jan Myrick/Sara Council 11 Melinda Harris/Sandra Lynch 18 Lynn Skilton/Jim Skilton 25 Paula Burton/Kay Tripp  <div data-bbox="1068 1612 1529 1709" style="text-align: center;"><u>GARBAGE DETAIL</u></div> Mike Blanton