

# 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

July is always a special month for me. Not just because it's my birthday month, but also because the weather starts getting hotter. For anyone that knows me, I love the summer months. I do not like being cold, so I never complain when it starts getting hot during the summer. Then there is also my birthday. In case you didn't know, my birthday is in July.

As we think about the church, especially in July, we sometimes think of it as taking a break. We have already had our Vacation Bible School, with a roaring success. We take a small break from choir practice and Bible Study during July. People are on vacation. Our worship attendance dips a little because of those vacations.

Why do we think of it as taking a break? Yes, we can have the calm where our programs stop, but does that mean our faith takes a break? Just because you are on vacation, does your faith suddenly stop?

Maybe instead of thinking of taking a break, we should think of July as a time of personal renewal, a time to refresh ourselves. Vacations are wonderful times to spend with family, and our relationships can become renewed.

But, we must never allow our faith to stop growing. Our worship services are available online for those who have access to them. I can create something for those vacations to allow your family to deepen their faith that might include some music, podcasts, or a Bible study to do together.

Whatever else you do, let us take this opportunity to renew. We need to refresh our minds, body, and soul so that when all of our programs and activities start back up, we are ready to go. We can be in full swing and really be there to serve our community. So renew yourself this July.

In our worship this month, we are continuing our Summer Music Series. We start July with looking at Audio Adrenaline's Ocean Floor, as we come to the table of Christ.

We then take a three-week dive looking at our identity, belonging, and purpose. And to do that we learn from Tobymac how we were made to love. We are reminded from Switchfoot how to live it well. And finally, we discover from We Are Messengers how everything is for his glory and for our good.


It's going to be an exciting time of worship, and more importantly a wonderful time of renewal this July. So come join us. Whether you join us in person or virtually. We invite you to walk alongside us as we journey through this wonderful season.

Grace and Peace,

*David*



# July 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i> 8:00 Exercise  No Choir or Prayer & Bible Study	<i>4</i>   Independence Day	<i>5</i> 8:00 Exercise	<i>6</i>
<i>7</i> 8:30 Thousand Trails 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship	<i>8</i> 8:00 Exercise	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i> 8:00 Exercise  6:00 Missions Committee Mtg  No Choir or Prayer & Bible Study	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i> 8:00 Exercise	<i>13</i>
<i>14</i> 8:30 Thousand Trails 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship 12:00 Deacons Mtg  6:00 Ice Cream	<i>15</i> 8:00 Exercise	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i> 8:00 Exercise  No Choir or Prayer & Bible Study	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i> 8:00 Exercise	<i>20</i>
<i>21</i> 8:30 Thousand Trails 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship 12:00 Business Mtg	<i>22</i> 8:00 Exercise	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i> 8:00 Exercise  No Choir or Prayer & Bible Study	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i> 8:00 Exercise	<i>27</i>
<i>28</i> 8:30 Thousand Trails 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship	<i>29</i> 8:00 Exercise	<i>30</i>	<i>31</i> 8:00 Exercise  No Choir or Prayer & Bible Study			



# Music Notes

Sand in My Shoes... I Love Beach Music....Summertime is Calling Me.... Catch a Wave....Can you guess where I am heading soon?? Yes, the beach! There are so many songs that put me in the beach mood! These are just a few of them.

I look forward to this family week. It's a time when my family and my 3 brothers and their families get together. My Daddy started this tradition 50 years ago. A lot has changed in these 50 years. Our family reaches the number 24 when we are all together. This is a lot different from the number 6 when we first started our annual beach trips. We are having family pictures taken while we are there. I think the photographer will be surprised at the number in my family...she might change her mind!

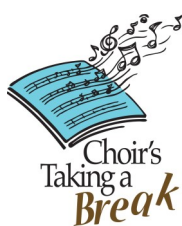
The choir will be taking a break during the month of July. We will start rehearsals back on August 7th. Enjoy your summer and stay cool. You can always listen to some "beach music" to put you in that fun beach mood!

*Laura*

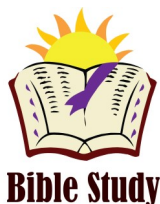
## LORD'S SUPPER



On Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 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. Additionally, you will be given the opportunity to contribute to our church Fellowship Fund for local benevolence.



There will be no Adult Choir or Prayer & Bible Study during the month of July. We will resume our regular schedule in August.



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.

**JULY 7**

Ocean Floor

Micah 7:19

Communion

**JULY 14**

Made to Love

Psalm 95:1-7

**JULY 21**

Live It Well

James 4:13-15

**JULY 28**

Glory and My Good

Romans 8:28



On Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, following Morning worship the church will be called into a special Business Meeting to hear and vote on a report from the Nominating Committee. Per the constitution, the Missions Chairperson and Sunday School Director shall be elected in July and then join the Nominating Committee to help fill in the rest of the officers and committees.



Our Deacons will meet on Sunday, July 14<sup>th</sup>, following Morning Worship. Please continue to pray for our deacons and their invaluable leadership to our church.

## 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 had a great time at our first Ice Cream Social this year. We had awesome fellowship, delicious ice cream, and snacks. If you were not able to be there, we hope you can join us for our second one. It is scheduled for Sunday, **July 14<sup>th</sup>**, 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!



The Missions Committee will meet on Wednesday, **July 10<sup>th</sup>**, at 6:00 P.M. Members of the committee are: Clyde Johnston, Chairperson, Melinda Harris, Mike Crawley, Lee Myrick, Sandra Lynch, Sara Little, David Tripp, and Darlene Kocich.



*Thousand Trails*

Our Thousand Trails 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, and pray! All are important. For more information, contact Mike Crawley.



Can you believe it is July already? It's time for fireworks, ice cream socials at church, as well as other church activities.

God has blessed us all with wonderful families. For example, our precious church family! They are such treasured friends!! We hope you know that we feel each other's pain and sorrows or happiness. We always want to be there for each other.

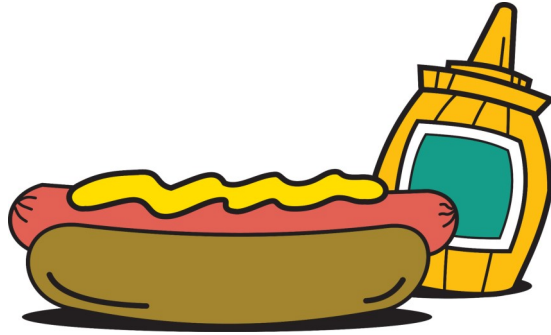
Our flower schedule for July is as follows:

July 7 - The Lord's Supper  
July 14 - Available  
July 21 - Available  
July 28 - 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  
Lydia Lanser, (252) 586-2133

You can also contact the church office by email: [office@littletonbaptistchurch.org](mailto:office@littletonbaptistchurch.org). Let us know what you would like placed in the bulletin.



# **HOT DOG**

# **FUNDRAISER**

**All proceeds will help offset medical expenses for  
Harrison West's family**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 2, 2024**

**11:00 AM - 1:30 PM**

**Littleton  
Baptist  
Church  
Parking Lot  
108 Mosby Ave.  
Littleton, NC**

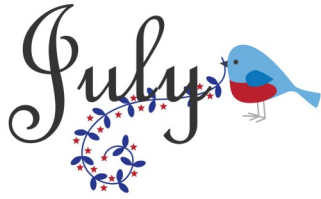
**\$10.00  
DONATION**

**Tickets must be  
purchased by  
July 18<sup>th</sup>**

**2 Hot Dogs  
Chips  
Water or  
Soft Drink**

**To purchase tickets please contact a deacon,  
Paula Burton, Kay Tripp or [office@littletonbaptistchurch.org](mailto:office@littletonbaptistchurch.org)**

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<u>HAPPY BIRTHDAY</u>	<u>HAPPY ANNIVERSARY</u>	<u>NURSERY</u>
3 Caden Myrick (1 yr) 6 Jim Phillis 7 Eric Hockaday 8 Edward Pitchford 13 Matthew Council 13 Clyde Johnston 14 Nichole Pitchford 17 David Little 20 Josh Hall 21 Collin Merritt (14 yrs) 22 Lee Myrick 24 Carol Spraker 25 Ethel Hale 25 Emily Conner (8 yrs) 28 Jimmy Kearney 28 Nelson Neville 29 JoAnn Barnard	10 Don & Kay Beaver (30 yrs) 14 Earl & Mary Spivey (17 yrs) 19 Sid & Betty Anne Shearin (44 yrs) 22 Jordan & Brandi Kearney (1 yr)	7 Nichole Pitchford/ Bryant Pitchford 14 Melinda Harris/Sandra Lynch 21 Lynne Skilton/Jim Skilton 28 Paula Burton/Kay Tripp  <div data-bbox="1070 1440 1570 1539" style="text-align: center;"><u><b>GARBAGE DETAIL</b></u></div> Al Spraker