

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 that time again. February. February is a strange month. It is the shortest month of the year, but it is jam packed with so many things. We have the Super Bowl. We have Ground Hog's Day. President's Day. We also have Valentine's Day.

But this year, we have an extra special holiday. A holiday that only comes around every 4 years. It's leap day everybody! This year we get that extra special day. What are you going to do with your extra day? This time it happens to fall on a Saturday. For some people that means no work. It means getting to spend extra time with your family. But no matter how you spend your extra day this year, spend it wisely. You only get this day once every four years.

This month in worship is going to be extra special. There are so many great things happening. The first Sunday of the month, we will be looking at idols. This Sunday also happens to be Super Bowl Sunday. Do we treat sports as idols? What are the idols in your life?

The second Sunday will be our annual Baptist Men's Day. We have a great speaker coming in. Billy Overby is from Rebuilding Hope in Henderson and will be coming in to talk about what great work they are doing.

During our annual Love Sunday, February 16, we will be looking at the true meaning of this holiday. How do we celebrate Valentine's Day? Who really was Saint Valentine? All very interesting questions. And all will be answered on that Sunday. But we should also remember the true meaning of love. For God is love, and without him there is no love.

Then to end the month, we are going to be talking about superheroes. I love superheroes. I always have. But in the end, there is only one true Savior in Jesus Christ. He is the ultimate and no one should receive our praise more than him.


We look forward to worshiping with you this Sunday!

Grace and Peace.

Rev. David Little



FEBRUARY 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship 12:15 Deacons Mtg 6:00 Super Bowl Party	3 8:30 Exercise	4	5 8:30 Exercise 6:00 Young Family Bible Study 6:30 Adult Choir 7:30 Prayer & Bible Study	6	7 8:30 Exercise	8
9 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship  5:00 Youth	10 8:30 Exercise	11	12 8:30 Exercise 6:30 Adult Choir 7:30 Prayer & Bible Study	13	14 8:30 Exercise 	15
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I recently read an article that listed the health benefits of singing. I'd like to share them with you!

1. Reduce stress and improve mood
2. Lower blood pressure
3. Boost the immune system
4. Improve breathing
5. Improve a sense of rhythm
6. Promote communal bonding
7. Provide comfort
8. Motivate and empower

Now, if you have any need for any improvements in any of these areas, please come join us on Wednesday nights! Music is life....that's why our hearts have beats!

DISASTER RECOVERY



TRAINING

Our church has participated with the N. C. Baptist Men in helping folks recover from disasters most recently from Hurricanes Mathew and Florence.

Baptist on Missions offers training in mass feeding, recovery, assessment, child care, chaplaincy and more. If you would like to help those who have suffered from a disaster please consider going to training in Greenville on **February 21 & 22** or in Raleigh **March 13 & 14**. For details go to www.baptistsonmission.org or see Betty Anne or Sid Shearin. Please come and help spread Christ's love to those in need.



Our annual Baptist Men's Day will be Sunday, **February 9**, where our men will conduct the morning worship. This year our guest speaker will be Mr. Bill

Overby of Rebuilding Hope in Henderson, NC. Rebuilding Hope is an organization that helps homeowners build handicap ramps and repairs homes. Mr. Overby lives in Warrenton and he oversees projects in Warren County. His group has completed projects around Littleton.



THIS MONTH IN WORSHIP

Join us for our Sunday Morning Worship Services

February 2

Taking Out the Trash

Joshua 24:14 - 15

Super Bowl Sunday

February 9

Baptist Men's Day

Guest Speaker - Bill Overby

Of Rebuilding Hope in Henderson

February 16

My Valentine

Romans 8:35 - 39

Love Sunday

February 23

Why the World Doesn't Need Superman

Isaiah 43:1 - 7

Deacons Meeting



The Deacons will meet on Sunday, **February 2**, in the annex following Morning Worship.



INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

On Sundays in which inclement weather renders it unsafe to conduct Sunday School and Worship Services, our deacons will contact you if our services are postponed in any way. Remember Pastor Little will give his sermon over Facebook Live that morning!



The youth will be having their annual Super Bowl Party on **February 2** at the parsonage starting at 6:00 P.M. There will be lots of food, board games, and of course the big game. So even if you don't like football come on out and enjoy the fellowship.

The youth will meet for regular Bible study on Sunday, **February 9 & 23** at 5:00 P.M

Also on **March 28**, our youth will be going to the Carolina Hurricanes vs Pittsburgh Penguins hockey game. This will be at 1:00 P.M. We will leave the church at 9:30 A.M. and grab some lunch on the way. The cost for the game will be \$37.00 per ticket plus they will need lunch money. There are only 20 tickets available so please see me immediately. Sign-ups end **March 1**.



MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Your awesome Missions Committee has begun working on the Children's Carnival that will be held at the John 3:16 Center on **April 18** from 11:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M. Vaughan Baptist Church will partner with us again this year. Pray for a beautiful day where we can share God's love with children. Two or three liter soft drinks (fruit flavored are popular with the children) and children's books are needed. We will be asking you for your help with a variety of jobs. It takes all of us to have a successful, fun day. Thank you for being so willing to help.

Please share with us your ideas for mission projects. There are many needs around our community. Together we can be the hands, feet and love of our faith in Jesus, our Lord and Savior.



“Colorful Places, Colorful People”

“Colorful Personalities”

Making Life for Older Adults the Best of Times

The North Carolina Offering for Older Adults/Week of Prayer emphasis will be held February 2 - 9, 2020 and will look at the life in the “Homes” made possible by the individuals and churches who continue to pray and share resources for Older Adult Care.

Baptist Retirement Homes are one of the few organizations in North Carolina dedicated to nurturing senior residents in body, mind, and spirit, and the chaplains in each community are the heart of that ministry.

Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina, Inc. operates facilities at the following locations: Brookridge Retirement Community, Winston-Salem; The Taylor House, Albemarle; The Gardens of Taylor Glen, Concord, NC; and Western NC Baptist Home, Asheville.

During February you will be able to contribute to this vital ministry and to engage in faithful prayer for its leaders and their ministry with older adults.

Community Lenten Lunch and Devotion Series

Each Wednesday February 26 – April 8
12:00 - 1:00 P.M.

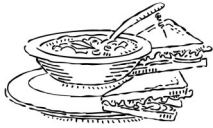
<u>Date</u>	<u>Location*</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
February 26	Littleton United Methodist Church	Rev. David Little Littleton Baptist Church
March 4	Littleton Baptist Church	Rev. Stan Lewis Littleton UMC
March 11 - April 8	TO BE DETERMINED!	

* Host church will provide music for each luncheon!

They begin at Noon and conclude at 1:00 P.M. Each person should bring a bag type lunch. Dessert and beverage will be provided by the host church. The devotion will begin by 12:30 P.M.

Come as you are and invite someone to join you for

SOUP AND SANDWICH LUNCHEON



On Sunday, **February 16**, "Share Our Love Sunday" will focus on demonstrating our Christian love. The worship will be followed by a "Soup and Sandwich Luncheon" served with love by our Hospitality Committee. If you would like to help with the luncheon please contact Betty Anne Shearin. This annual event is always an enjoyable time for all. Consider ways you can share your love with someone - a visit, a card, a gift, or time spent with someone you'd not ordinarily spend time with in the course of your week.



We would like to thank the congregation for their wonderful participation in keeping our sanctuary absolutely beautiful. The poinsettias at Christmas and all the other arrangements during our other services were gorgeous! This is due to our amazing congregational family. The flower committee cannot thank you enough for all you do!

If you would like to place flowers in church, please contact a member of the Flower Committee by phone or email:

Sandra Lynch, Chairperson - (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: littletonbaptist@embarqmail.com or a written note to let us know how you want it placed in the bulletin.

There is a flower sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the hallway at church. Flowers are needed for February 2, 9, & 23. If you would like to volunteer for one of these dates, please let us know. Don't forget to let us know what you want to post in the Sunday bulletin when you sign up for your flower date.

We are excited about working with you. Thank you for being so faithful in helping the sanctuary look beautiful!

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<u>HAPPY BIRTHDAY</u>	<u>HAPPY ANNIVERSARY</u>	<u>NURSERY WORKERS</u>
1 Larry Clifton 1 Bob Thompson 11 Don Beaver 21 Louise Barrett 24 Sydney Merritt (7) 27 Roman Martinez	14 Charles & Priscilla Parks (60 yrs) 17 Julian & Indie Parks (69 yrs)	2 Kay Tripp/Paula Burton 9 Sara Council/Jan Myrick 16 Amanda Coffman/Bob Thompson 23 Melinda Harris/Sandra Lynch