

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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IN MEMORY

Mr. James J. Kearney, Jr.

*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

It's that time of year! It's time for my favorite month of the year. However this month will be different than any other. Hockey will just be ending (sadly without the Hurricanes involved) instead of just starting. No State Fair. We don't know what Halloween will look like. Who knows how long football will last? At least we know autumn will still be here for us to enjoy the beautiful colors as the leaves change and fall.

It also means that it is time for the new church year to begin. It is going to be an exciting time as we look to the future. As we begin this new church year, let us take the time to reflect what the past year has brought us, but also where we are going. Let us take this time to think about what we can do better as a church. Let us make this new church year a year to remember.

As we look to this month, we will still be doing both in-person and virtual worship. We will continue with the safety measures that have been in place over the past few months. We hope and pray that one day soon we will be able to gather with no masks and be able to hug and sing. We pray that this too shall pass.

In worship we will begin with observing World Communion Sunday, as we look at what communion truly means and what is the purpose for us as we take time to remember the broken body and the blood that was spilt. We then follow that with looking for the hope in the midst of tragedy. We will be looking at what we can do when everything seems to be going wrong, and how we can find the hope to just keep going.

The third week we will be looking inside of ourselves. We will focus on how God is constantly working inside of us. Even when we think we are not worthy, we find our worth in God. And then no matter how we view ourselves, God doesn't make junk. We are his treasure.

The final week of October we will be celebrating Reformation Sunday. We will remember the birth of Protestantism and Martin Luther's stance against the Catholic Church at the time. It is important for us to remember this Sunday.

I cannot wait to worship with you and make this new church year one to remember. My prayers are always with you.

Grace and Peace,

David



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				<i>1</i>	<i>2</i> 8:30 Outdoor Exercise	<i>3</i>
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Fall! You have got to love it! The air is crisp and the skies seem bluer! It was also the time of the year that our choir started practicing the Christmas Cantata! But, thanks to the "virus" the Cantata has been put on hold for this year! That just means that next year's Cantata will be bigger and better!!!

My father in law, James, played such an important part in the LBC choir for at least 60 years. He always loved to start our choir practices with a joke! He loved singing the old songs and never hesitated in learning the new songs! He will be missed by our family and our LBC family!

I am working on doing various specials on Sundays in the upcoming weeks. I am hoping the children can sing, soloists can perform, and quartets can treat us! I pray every night that the choir can begin rehearsals in the near future!! God works miracles and this is something we can always count on with our prayers!

Laura



FROM THE
Pulpit

THIS MONTH IN WORSHIP

Join us for our Sunday Morning Worship Services

October 4

This Is My Body, This Is My Blood

Luke 22:14-20

World Communion Sunday

October 11

The Next Right Thing

Galatians 6:9-10

October 18

God Don't Make Junk

Jeremiah 18:1-6

October 25

Who You Gonna Call?

Romans 10:9-13

Reformation Sunday

Quarterly Business Meeting



Our next Quarterly Business Meeting is Wednesday, **October 14**, 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!



DEACONS MEETING

Our Deacons will meet in the Fellowship Hall following Morning Worship on Sunday, **October 4**. We welcome our two newest deacons, Clyde Johnston and Mike Blanton. Special thanks to Matthew Council and Earl Spivey who completed their terms of service in September.



Lord's Supper

October 4 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.



The youth will be meeting on **October 11** and **October 25** for dinner and Bible study. These are great times as we fellowship together, have some fun, and learn more about the ways God is working in our teens' lives. We ask for the church to pray for our teenagers as they are doing school differently than ever before and facing unknown challenges.



The Flower Committee members for our new year are still Kay Beaver and Sandra Lynch. We realize that we could not be successful without your help. Thank you 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: office@littletonbaptistchurch.org

October 11, 18, & 25 are available for scheduling. 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 order as soon as we get our price lists. We will be getting out more information to you in the near future.

Thank you for being so faithful in helping the sanctuary look beautiful!

HOME COMING INVITATION CELEBRATING 147 YEARS

All Members, Former Members, Friends and Family

Are cordially invited to Littleton Baptist Church

On Sunday, November 8, 2020 at 11:00 A.M.

For our Annual Homecoming Service

Rev. Mari Wiles, Campus Minister and

Associate Dean of Students at Chowan University, will be the speaker.

There will be no Sunday School on this day.

We also will not be serving a meal this year.



Mission Moments



School - In a new format, cooler weather, colorful leaves, sweaters, crunchy apples and colorful pumpkins. Autumn has arrived. There are many projects that need our attention. One of these that peaked my interest was a backpack project in West Virginia that was in the Baptist on Missions in NC Magazine. Then Betty

Anne Shearin called about the same article. I hope you will enjoy this project. Get children involved. Have fun.

Items needed:

A back pack (There are some in vestibule) filled with the following seven items:

1. Hats, gloves, scarves or similar items
2. Three or four pop top canned foods - beef stew, mac and cheese, fruit, veggies, tuna
3. Hygiene items-toothpaste, toothbrush, body-wash, shampoo, deodorant, soap, washcloth, hair brush, comb (wet or liquid items should be packed in plastic bags)
4. Fresh wrapped carry-on - No chocolate or peanuts
5. Children's Bible placed in front pocket
6. The Christmas Story. This is being printed by Mike and Betty Blanton.
7. Four age groups. Pick your preferred age and boy or girl. Ages 4-7, 8-10, 11-14, 15-17. Younger children, 4 to 14, one or two new toys-small stuffed animal, small cars, balls, yo-yo, jump rope, sidewalk chalk, card games, Legos. Older children ideas are (girls) jewelry, books, skincare products, hair accessories (boys) flashlight, thermos, light blanket, books, hunting/fishing magazines.

The backpacks should be delivered to the church by **Sunday, October 25**. Label boy or girl and age group. This will be done using 15" colored ribbons. Pink for girls, blue for boys. Age group colors are 4-7 yellow, 8-10 green, 11-14 red and 15-17 white. There will be ribbons provided with the backpacks.

Dollar Tree and Wal-Mart have large selections for many of the wanted items. If you prefer to make a donation to LBC and let others do the shopping, let us know as soon as possible. Our youth might enjoy a Pack A Backpack Party.

Pray over your chosen backpack and have fun doing something special for children this fall.



Our church will once again be sending Christmas Cards to our military personnel who will be away from home during the Christmas Holidays. These cards from our church family will give cheer to them in their distant service. We are also asking you to provide names, addresses, rank, relationship to you (i.e family, friend, neighbor etc.). (Note: If you have family or friends serving in missions somewhere, we will also extend this request for names to include them as well.) Please give the information to Sid Shearin or the church office.

The cards will be in the vestibule for you to sign on **November 29, December 6 & 13**. Sid wants to remind everyone you are not allowed to sign for your spouse or children. Everyone needs to sign individually.

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<u>HAPPY BIRTHDAY</u>	<u>HAPPY ANNIVERSARY</u>	
2 Elizabeth Neville 3 Gladys Pegram 3 Ashby Burton 8 Mike Crawley 12 Jan Myrick 12 Larry Thomas West	8 Perry & Casey Myrick (4 yrs) 11 Jim & Debbie Sineath (6 yrs) 15 Josh & Samantha Hall (4 yrs) 27 Jeff & Paula Burton (30 yrs)	
15 Jeff Burton 18 Louise Gibson		<u>TRASH DETAIL</u>
23 Ginger Batts 25 Jack Tant 26 Mary Beth Labrecque 29 Amanda Milton		Clyde Johnston