



- Oct 3 - Sunday School, 10:00 am
- Oct 6 - Wednesday Night Meal/Adult Bible Study, S150 at 6 pm
- Oct 10 - Sunday School, 10:00 am
- Oct 13 - Wednesday Night Meal/Adult Bible Study, S150 at 6 pm
- Oct 17 - Sunday School, 10:00 am
- Oct 17 - Deacons Meeting, Conference Room, 12:15 pm
- Oct 20 - Wednesday Night Meal/Adult Bible Study, S150 at 6 pm
- Oct 24 - Sunday School, 10:00 am
- Oct 27 - Wednesday Night Adult Bible Study, E100 at 6:30 pm
- Oct 31 - Sunday School, 10:00 am

Happy Anniversary!

- 10/1 Jim and Diane Stokes - 33 yrs
- 10/5 Steve and Debbie McIver - 47 yrs
- 10/5 Kyle and Allie Baker - 2 yrs
- 10/10 Abram and Mable Buckner - 1 yr
- 10/17 Jason and Crystal Coen - 12 yrs



for the families of ...

All Healthcare professionals,
all First Responders,
and all families dealing with
Coronavirus.

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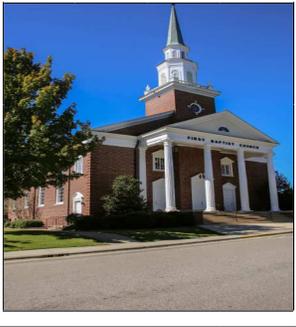
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Church Staff

- Rev. Jack Lee, Senior Pastor**
jack.fbcrock@gmail.com
- Guest Accompanists**
- Carly McKay, Choir Director**
- Chris McEntire, Director of Accounting**
- Daniel Short, Custodian**
- John Thompson, Admin/Finance Assistant**
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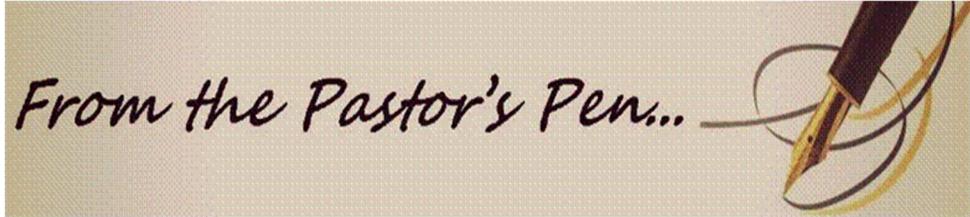


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From time to time, I often encounter moments of laughter with thanks from my friends and family members. As is my custom, I laugh out loud. Laughter has played a HUGE role in my life. Laughter is my outlet for frustration, anger, disappointment, success, happiness, and joy. Thanks to my family, I've had many occasions for laughter. Usually at my own expense, but still laughter.

I love to laugh. No matter if it's a story, cartoon, movie, sitcom, or conversation. Laughter is wonderful. I love the subtle humor found in movies like:

O Brother Where Art Thou?
The Outlaw Josie Wales
Pink Panther (original movies)
Home Alone

Support Your Local Sherriff (amazing list of actors in this one)

Just to name a few, but they all evoke a great memory. My mom played a great role in helping to define laughter. She would laugh at the cartoons we watched, regardless if she had seen it once or a thousand times. She introduced my daughter to Tom and Jerry and still laughed at the appropriate times. As do I.

Even in the darkest of times, she displayed a sense of humor that brought laughter. My, how I miss hearing that laugh, but I've got it recorded in my brain so I can hear it along with my own. It's hard to believe that ten years have come and gone since she graduated to God's kingdom, but my grief is replaced with hope. My sorrow is replaced with joy knowing that I'm headed to where she is now. One day, I shall step into the chilly waters of the Jordan River and see my Savior and Redeemer. Then I shall see my family. Hear laughter. Share hugs. That will be a grand reunion...until then, take care.

Resource Recording Team

Monday, Oct 4, 2021

Bonnie Barnes, Joanne Cadieu

Monday, Oct 11, 2021

Beth Ray, Debbie Holloway

Monday, Oct 18, 2021

Mary Joyner, Sally Pierce

Monday, Oct 25, 2021

Dennis Holloway, Jason Coen

Attendance Report

Sunday, Sep 5, 2021

Sunday School - 48
Worship Service - 83

Sunday, Sep 12, 2021

Sunday School - 51
Worship Service - 49

Sunday, Sep 19, 2021

Sunday School - 55
Worship Service - 81

Sunday, Sep 26, 2021

Sunday School - 46
Worship Service - 68



Choir Opportunity - The Christmas season is quickly approaching! I would love to have the choir sing during Advent, the Sundays of December, as well as at the Hanging of the Greens service. We will begin practicing the first week in November. I will have more details to come about rehearsal days and times (think once a week). This will be about a two-month commitment, with plenty of flexibility. I know the season brings about a lot of travel so you don't have to agree to sing every Sunday during December, but we would love to have you present! Please consider participating. The more the merrier!

Carly McKay, Music Director

A Little Church History (Pipe Organ)

At the April 9, 1973 Deacon Board meeting, Music Director, Miss Frances Cartner presented a case for a new organ.

The first pipe organ had come in 1911 at a cost of \$2,200. It had served well in the 1909 brick church. It was, in fact, still there when the church was torn down.

The present sanctuary was completed in 1957 and it was time for an adequate pipe organ, Miss Cartner pointed out.

The Board of Deacons agreed and a committee was formed. In fact, an organ fund had been in existence for some time and contained \$11,000. The committee went to various churches, listening to different brands of organs. The recommendation came back to purchase an Austin organ that would cost about \$62,000 plus building modifications. The church gave approval for the expenditure. The contract was signed June 1, 1973.

The Austin organ was first heard by the congregation on February 9, 1975. It remains one of Richmond County's largest and best organs.

One Perfect Gift



A team from the Pee Dee Baptist Association is requesting your help with a Christmas project called, "One Perfect Gift."

On December 11th, there will be three (3) Christmas parties with the gospel being presented to around 100 children of families who could use a little help during these difficult times.

Items being requested are:

**Monetary donations for the party. These are to be turned in to the Association earmarked "One Perfect Gift."

**Toys (ages 3-14)

**Wrapping Paper

**Tape

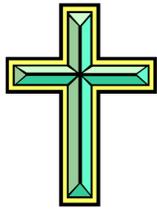
**Gently used coats for Children (3T--XL)

**Volunteer hours

For more information, please contact Debbie Holloway (910) 995-1857.



10/1 Kaye Beale	10/1 Ella Shelley	10/2 Richard Byrd
10/4 Bobby Mumford	10/5 Beth Ray	10/5 Abram Buckner
10/8 Allie Coen	10/11 Ken Shedd	10/11 Brynlee Belcher
10/12 Joy Swinnie	10/13 John Yates	10/17 Margaret Lindsey
10/23 Angela Cockerton	10/28 Jan Smith	10/30 Charli Pope
10/30 Claudia Robinette	10/31 Larry Harrelson	



*If I should die and leave you here a while,
 be not like others sore undone,
 who keep long vigil by the silent dust.
 For my sake turn again to life and smile,
 nerving thy heart and trembling hand
 to do something to comfort other hearts than mine.
 Complete these dear unfinished tasks of mine
 and I perchance may therein comfort you. - Mary Lee Hall*



In Memory of

Oline Shedd

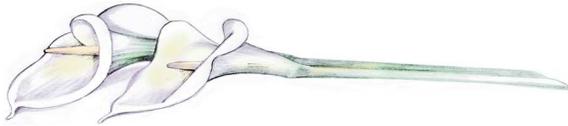
Charles and Bobbie Harrill

Wayne Moss

Sam Brigman

Nora Smith

Burl Hammock
 Brian and Ann Wood
 TA and Bonnie Sue Smith
 Bryan and Ellen Safrit



TITHES & OFFERINGS

GIVE UNTO THE LORD

Giving Summary	August 2021	September 2021
General Fund	25,376	14,771
Challenge to Maintain	0	0
Missions (CBF)	0	0
Missions (SBC)	250	250
Memorials & Honor	1,635	255
Radio Ministry	800	800
Mother's Day Offering	0	0
Heating and Air Cond.	100	140
Youth Ministry	25	0
Baptist Homes	125	0
Sound/Light/Sponsor	400	400
Children's Ministry	376	0
Vacation Bible School	687	0
Wednesday Night Meals	272	405
Total Gifts	29,897	17,021
Budget req. to date		221,767
Gifts to date		190,647
YTD req. under actual gifts		(31,121)
% giving to req.		86%



Please inform the church office of any changes to the following:
 marital status, address, phone number and email.



Anyone interested in Disaster Relief Training, please go to the link below for more information.

<https://baptistsonmission.org/training/disaster-relief-training>

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