

First Baptist Church of Wallace, NC

First Family October 2021





HOMECOMING IS BACK!

— On Sunday October 3rd, as we gather in combined worship to celebrate God's work in our church, praise God, and enjoy fellowship, we have a very special guest to inspire us!

With all of the COVID upheaval, we missed Homecoming last year. But now, with our folks much better protected, we are ready to celebrate together this year!

As in recent years, we will have a single combined worship gathering in the Sanctuary beginning at 10:00 AM. The band will lead us in praise, the choir will inspire us, and we'll have a mix of traditional music as well. We'll have church leaders sharing how God has been at work, touching lives.

This year, as our guest speaker, we have someone who is more like family than a guest. Mark Teachey grew up in Wallace and in our church. (It's no accident that he shares his name with the town of Teachey, just up the road from us!

Mark is on staff at Winter Park Baptist Church in Wilmington, where he serves as the Associate Pastor for Senior Adults and Caring Ministries. Mark is also an accomplished musician and song writer. Our church members have attended Mark's performances, and he has come to our church to lead two different events in the last few years. Because of his history with us, Mark is able to remind us of our spiritual roots as he encourages us to move forward in mission and ministry.

And, as always, we will have a big



Mark Teachey sharing his music and his faith journey at our Widow, Widowers, and Singles Banquet in the Spring of 2020. covered dish dinner in the Fellowship Hall with overflow dining under the tent outside. So pull out the old recipe book now and get ready to whip up your best dessert, casserole, veggie dish, or whatever will tickle our taste buds.

And DON'T FORGET, Homecoming Sunday is an excellent time to invite a neighbor, friend, or family member who does not have a church family like ours to love and care for them, and a great time to reach out to those in your life who need to know Jesus. You can offer them an exciting, upbeat time of worship, and great free lunch! And they will have the opportunity to meet all of your church friends in one place at one time.

Note that our LifeGroups will *not* be meeting that Sunday. But we'll be back in our LifeGroups and on our regular schedule the very next Sunday.

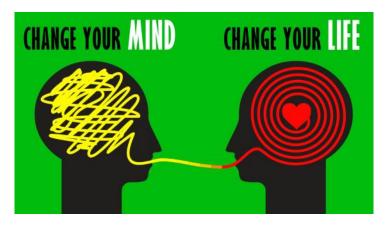
Worship

Change Your Mind Change Your Life

It's amazing at how much our thoughts determine our joy and success, how much they shape our relationships with each other and our relationship with God... for good or bad.

The Bible has a LOT to say about our thoughts: what we believe, what we choose to focus on, and what we refuse to dwell on in our lives. God's word tells us that, by changing your mind, you can change your life. As we get rid of the destructive thinking patterns in our lives, and replace false beliefs (lies) with God's truth, we are set free. Jesus wasn't kidding when He said, "You shall know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

So two weeks after Homecoming, we will begin a series called, "Change your Mind, Change Your Life." And we'll discover the destructive thinking patterns we need to get rid of, and the liberating, life-giving truth that God wants us to dwell on instead.



October 3 — Homecoming Sunday
10:00 am Combined Worship
Guest Speaker, Mark Teachey

October 10 — Rev. J. T. Hopkins preaching

October 17 — Change Your Mind, Change Your Life Week 1 of 4

October 24 — Change Your Mind, Change Your Life Week 2 of 4

October 24 — Change Your Mind, Change Your Life Week 3 of 4

Prayer Requests



Remember in Prayer:

Those in our community whom, God has called us to lead to Christ and minister to in His love. Stacey Baker, Sergeant Johnson C. Blanchard, Garv Brown, Gregg Carlson, Arledge Castles, Warren Cavenaugh, Willa Currie, Vicky Evans, Carol H. Fields, Michael Fields, Edie Flowers, Benjamin Gonzales' brother, Robin Henderson, Gunnery Sergeant Jonathan Hill, Andy Howard, Traci Howard, Amy Smith Johnson, Susan King, Hill Lanier, Sue Marshburn, Christy Matthews, Steve Mills, Rocky Mobley, Jamie Johnson Moore, Whitney Murphy, Cliff Nance, Larry Ogden, Hugh Overstreet, Mike Pate, Claudette Pickett, Gene Pierce, John Reade, Geraldine Register, Linda Rich, Bonnie Robinson, David Savage, Renee Stoppelbein, Stephen Thompson, Stephen Wilson, David Wood, Ed Woods, and all those who are battling coronavirus.

Sympathy to the families of:

Craig Howell
Jay O'dell
Trecia (sister of Mary Grady)
Mack Horrell



New Member/Baptism:

Jessica Higgins joined 9/5/2021 & baptized 9/12/2021







Senior Adults



Asheville & Charlotte Trip, April 25-29

If you haven't already signed up for our trip to Asheville and Charlotte, time's a wasting! Reservations are now open for any one, member, regular participant, and non-member for our fun filled trip next April 25-29, 2022 to Asheville and Charlotte.

This trip is packed with so much including the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, the Qualla arts and Crafts Mutual, The Billy Graham training center at the Cove, Biltmore Estate, tour of Asheville, NAS-CAR hall of fame, the Charlotte Motor Speedway, the Billy Graham library, and so much more! You will not want to miss a minute!

The \$800 cost covers 4 nights double occupancy lodging (add \$260 if you room alone) 4 breakfasts, 4 dinners including 2 dinner/show combos, entrance fees, gra-



tuities, and travel. Lunches will be on your own each day.

A \$100 deposit will hold your seat on the bus. Full payment will need to be paid by Friday, February 25, 2022 @ noon when the office closes for the day.



You will not want to miss this fun and exciting trip, so come into the office, fill in the

reservation form, and pay your deposit ASAP! I look forward to traveling with you!



Zoo Life, Lunch, & Ice Cream, Oct. 21

On Thursday, October 21 @ 8:15 am, we will be

heading off for an amazing and fun trip to the wide spot in the road, Macclesfield, NC, where It's a Zoo Life is located! There we will have an up close and



personal experience with some fun, interesting animals as we get a guided tour of the zoo and it's residents. Following our 1 1/2 hour tour, we will head off to Greenville, a short drive away, to have a delicious lunch at McAlister's Deli. But don't eat too much as our next (and last) stop will be at the Simply Natural Creamery for an ice cream treat before heading back home. Sign ups will end on Friday, October 8, so don't waste any time. Come into the office, sign up, and pay the \$15 cost today!

Alabama Theater, Dec. 7



Christmas is still several months away, but it is already time for us to begin thinking about our annual Christmas trip

to Myrtle Beach for a Christmas show and dinner! On Tuesday, December 7, we will load up in the vans and head to Alabama Theater to see a terrific Christmas show and then head over to the Chestnut Hill Restaurant to enjoy a delicious dinner. There are only 23 tickets available for this fun and exciting time together, so don't wait! Members/regular participants can purchase tickets now

and non-members can purchase tickets beginning Monday, October 4. The cost for members/regular participants is \$70 per person, and for non-members is \$80 per person. Ticket sales will close on Monday, November 8.



Tickets are limited, so don't miss out because you waited too long!

Music Ministry

Chancel & SonShine Choirs

The Chancel choir has returned to regular rehearsals on Wednesday evenings @ 6:15 in the choir room. And we would LOVE it if you would join us. We are currently preparing not only for the fall, but also for our Christmas program. The music this year is the best ever! Not sure that singing in a choir is your cup of hot chocolate? You'll never know until you give us a try! How about you join us for the fall/Christmas season to see what you think. If at the end of the season you find you really aren't a fan, then we will reluctantly let you go. But we are betting you are going to love it! You will find rehearsals filled with so much laughter and fun, you won't realize you have worked so hard. Let Dee know if you want to give us a "try out" and she will have a folder filled with music with your name on it. We hope to see you there!

SonShine choir, our choir for senior adults, will have their rehearsal on Tuesday, October 19 @ 10:30! We will go to lunch together following rehearsal. We hope you are able to join us!



11:00 Sound Board Team

Our 11:00 service could use another person for the sound board. We have a new person working the sound board for our 11:00 worship services. But just one person doing such an important job isn't enough. We would love to have a whole team of people who help with this important part of our services. Wouldn't it be great to have 2 or 3 people who could fill in this position? Maybe God is calling you! If you are interested, please let Dee know. She can hook you up with the training you will need.



Music Ministry



Christmas Concert Duplin Dulcimers, Nov. 28 @ 5:00 p.m.

I'm excited to announce that we are privileged to have Duplin Dulcimers bringing us a concert of Christmas music on Sunday evening, November 28 @ 5:00. This group has come and played for our Senior Adult Ministries luncheons, as well as at several other churches in Wallace, on several occa-

sions and has always done a marvelous job! We hope that you will join us and bring a lot of friends with



you! We know that this will be a time filled with joy and great music! So mark your calendars today and start calling your friends to join you! More information will be in next month's newsletter so keep your eyes open!



Wallace Students



October Student Announcements

Here is a recap of September 2021. The students took a look at Acts 1-2 and began a video series about Spiritual Beings in their Sunday Morning Life Group. Sunday Evening Meetings have been full of food, fun, and specific applications of scripture. Finally, on September 4th, Jon and Mary enjoyed a wonderful day trip to Surf City with some students.

Going into October, Student Life Groups will continue their video series and discussion on the topic of spiritual beings within the Bible. Sunday Evening Meetings will continue at 6 p.m. with meals prepared and served by Patsey Spell, Ann English, Louise Woods, and Dee Thompson.

October 31st, the student ministry will be hosting a trunk-or-treat style Halloween event at FBCW complete with candy, games, and other fun things. All are welcome and the students are eager to serve you and your children this Halloween!



Welcome to our new student ministry volunteer leadership team! Three amazing adults have stepped up to commit themselves to help serve and lead the FBCW student ministry. Ashley Bradshaw has been serving this ministry for quite a long time now, but He is once again offering His time to invest in these amazing students. Robin Stone and Sarah Miller have also joined the team to make a difference in the lives of our students. I want to thank them for their investment and leadership!

Grace and Peace, Jon Britton

Trunk-or-Treat



Sr. Adult Lunch





Well Project



Dr. Thompson,

As the Regional Director for Church Engagement, I want to thank you for FBC's partnership with the ministry of Samaritan's Purse.

We are so grateful for First Baptist Church, particularly through our work together in the global discipleship movement of Operation Christmas Child. Thank you, too, for your church's recent large

gift, which will supply two bore wells to communities in the developing world. Having seen this work in Uganda and Liberia, I can tell you



that these water wells (and water filters) transform people's lives both physically and spiritually as we also share with them the Good News about Jesus, the Source of Living Water.

Having seen the work your church is making possible in eight countries on five continents, I look forward to meeting you and bringing you (and your missions team) an impact the next time I am in your part of North Carolina.

Blessings,

Lynne Rienstra
SAMARITAN'S PURSE
Regional Director, Church Engagement
DONOR MINISTRIES





Operation Christmas Child

Hard to believe but we are nearing the end of our Operation Christmas Child campaign. You will need to complete the packing of the



shoeboxes and bring them to the church by October 31. If you need any supplies or information about the process, please contact Robin Stone or Beverly Benton.

If you are paying for the shipping on the box(es) you pack, DO NOT put the payment IN the shoebox. You can pay on line when you activate the shipping label or if you'd rather pay by check, make the check payable to First Baptist Church Wallace and put "OCC shipping" on the memo line. Put it in a pew envelope marked for "OCC Shipping" and drop it in the collection bucket.

Please consider taping a special note or drawing a picture or writing a scripture on the inside of the top of the box you pack. It really personalizes the shoebox.

If you have chosen not to pack a shoebox, please consider making a contribution to help pay for the shipping of these boxes to their intended receiver. Samaritan's Purse suggests a donation of \$9 for each shoebox. We have plastic jars at the tables with the OCC supplies that are collecting change/ bills for shipping and there are pew envelopes marked "OCC shoeboxes shipping". If you want to write a check, please make it payable to First Baptist Church Wallace with "OCC shipping" on the memo line. If you decide that you want to provide funds for purchasing items for a shoebox, you can also write a check payable to First Baptist Church Wallace with "OCC gifts" on the memo line. If using a pew envelope indicate on it whether it is for shipping or gifts.

We know that each of you will be blessed by your participation in this mission. We've been saying "Each One Reaches One" but in reality whole families have been changed by the message a child receives with this gift. Be a part of God's plan for a child.

Support Group

Helping SELF: Helping to Support and Encourage Lost Families

Purpose: to support and encourage families dealing with drug or alcohol addiction.



This is not a 12 Step program or a how to group. We simply want to let families dealing with addiction know that they are not alone. Are you feeling lost and alone? Are you feeling isolated? Do you feel like "no one can possibly understand"?

We have been and still are experiencing these very feelings. We are stepping forward to share our experiences, vent to each other, and pray for one another and our families. We can learn together what enabling and co-dependency are and how to avoid those behaviors.

We are willing to laugh with you, cry with you, encourage you, support you, pray with you and help you find your way out of isolation. You are NOT alone.

Our next meeting is at First Baptist Church in Wallace on October 20, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parlor. Park in the back and follow the signs.

Future meeting times and dates to be determined and announced as we find out when we are needed. If you have a different time or day, call 910-284-7101.

Just for Laughs:

Pastor, we've got good news and had news...

Good News: The women's group voted to send you a get-well card.

Bad News: The vote passed by a slim margin, 31-30.

Good News: The trustees finally voted to add more church parking.

Bad News: They are adding "parking attendant" to your Sunday morning duties.

Good News: Church attendance rose dramatically the last three weeks.

Bad News: You were on vacation.

Good News: The youth of the church came to your house for a visit.

Bad News: It was in the middle of the night and they were armed with toilet paper and shaving cream.

Good News: The Church Council has agreed to send you to the Holy Land for study.

Bad News: They bought a one-way plane ticket.



Hello Church,

I wanted to say, "Hi" and "Thank you" for the weekly mail. It means so much to be remembered.

I have been moved to Green Rock Correctional Center. It is a good move. I can't believe the difference between here and Nottoway. The food is great and I have air conditioning! My cell is twice the size of my last one and everything is new. God blessed me so much and I worried for nothing.

God bless you all and thank you! Please continue to write to me:

Stephen J. Swanson 1000866 GRCC PO Box 1000 Chatham, VA 24531 Sincerely,

Stephen J. Swanson



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Office Hours

Monday: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. &

1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Tuesday: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. &

1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Wednesday: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. &

1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Thursday: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. &

1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.



Worship Services

First Baptist Church Worship Services

9:00 a.m. Life Café Worship in Fellowship Hall 10:00 a.m. Life Groups for All Ages 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship in Sanctuary

Sunday Sermons

Sunday Sermons

First Baptist Church Sunday Sermons are broadcast every Sunday



www.1005kixfm.com

on our local radio station KIX-FM 100.5 at 11:00 a.m. (Previous week's message).

And you can listen to each week's message, as well as a number of past message series, on our church website anytime under "Resources > Media/ Messages." Messages are usually posted by Sunday evening.

Easy Tithe

EasyTithe Instructions:

- No Check Book?
- No Cash?
- On Vacation?
- Have a Smartphone?
- No Worries

Go to our website at www.wallacefirstbaptist.org and scroll down to the Online Giving Button and click. From here you can setup your account by an-

swering just a few simple questions. Once your account is created you can setup recurring donations and never worry about writing a check again. There is also the option to make a one time donation as a guest without having to create an account.

You can also download the EasyTithe app from the app store on your smartphone. Again just a few

simple questions and you are ready to start giving online. Access your account anytime for a summary of your donations. You will still

- Give Anytime
- Give Anywhere
- Setup Recurring Donations
- Review Past Donations
- Fast Simple Secure

receive annual statements from the office.



October Volunteers



10:00 a.m. 3 & 4 Year Olds

10/3-Donna Marshburn 10/10-Donna Marshburn 10/17-Donna Marshburn

10/24-Donna Marshburn

10/31-Donna Marshburn

10:00 a.m. Wallace Kids

10/3-Crystal & Lindsey 10/10-Doug & Deb

10/17-Crystal & Lindsey

10/24-Michelle & Amie

10/31-Doug & Deb

11:00 a.m. Ushers: Connections Life Group

Tellers: Louise Woods & Patsy Spell

Newsletter



Nov. Newsletter Submission Deadline: Oct. 15, 2021

Please email articles to office.fbcw@gmail.com Please make articles brief!

On the Record

Attendance

Life Groups

9-5 9-12 9-19 75 82 64

Worship

9-5 9-12 9-19 115 129 127

Budget and Receipts

2021 Budget \$433,490.00

Offering Receipts To Date 9-23-2021 \$322,947.72

October Birthdays

- 1 Clayton Brock
- 1 Hannah Evans
- 4 Sarah Beth Moore
- 7 Marie Casteen
- 7 Deb Lloyd
- 8 Gloria Driggers
- 9 Jon Britton
- 9 Kathy Hendrickson
- 12 Lisa Boyette
- 12 Kevin Kenan
- 12 Olivia Bradshaw
- 12 Drew Hendrickson
- 14 Susan Ayers
- 14 Linda Sikes
- 14 Jackson Hall
- 15 Valerie Johnson
- 16 Roger Coombs
- 16 Sammy Marshburn
- 16 Katie Robinson
- 17 Jerry Teachey
- 19 Bertha Wise 19 Alan Baker
- 19 Myranda Ross

- 20 Kathy Herring
- 20 Lizzie O Blackburn
- 22 Tyler Brinkley
- 22 Lynne Castles
- 23 George Eakins-Cavenaugh
- 23 Ethan Carlson
- 24 David Godwin
- 26 Rhonda Cave
- 26 Steve Mills
- 27 Laura Brooks
- 29 Allison Brinkley
- 29 Robert McGowen
- 30 Amie Eakins-Cavenaugh
- 31 Peggy Stallings

First Baptist Events

October 2021

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | | 1 Set Up for Homecoming | 2 Set Up for Homecoming 7:00 pm-Cristo Viene, R203 |
| 3 10:00 am-Homecoming in Sanctuary with Mark Teachey followed by meal in FH 6:00 pm-Wallace Students | 4 Begin Sign Ups for Non-Members for SAM Christmas Trip 12/7 \$80. Members \$70. (Last Day for sign ups 11/8). 6:00 pm-CrossFit 6:30 pm-Scouts, R203 | 5 2:00 pm-Staff Meeting NO WORSHIP BAND 6:30 pm-Financial Peace, University, R203 | 6 10:30 am-Community Bible Study @ Pizza Corner NO CHANCEL CHOIR 7:00 pm-Cristo Viene, R203 | 7 | 8 Last day to sign up for SAM Zoo/Lunch/ Ice Cream on 10/21. \$15 | 9 Jon's Birthday! 7:00 pm-Cristo Viene, R203 |
| 10 The Lord's Supper 9:00 am-Life Café 10:00 am-WallaceKids 10:00 am-Life Groups 10:35 am-Chancel Choir 11:00 am-Worship 12:15 pm-Deacon's Mtg. 6:00 pm-Wallace Students | 11 10:30 am-WMU III 6:00 pm-CrossFit 6:30 pm-Scouts, R203 | 12 2:00 pm-Staff Meeting NO WORSHIP BAND 6:30 pm-Financial Peace University, R203 | 13 10:30 am-Community Bible Study @ Pizza Corner 6:15 pm-Chancel Choir 7:00 pm-Cristo Viene, R203 | 14 | 15 Newsletter Deadline | 7:00 pm-Cristo Viene, R203 |
| 17 9:00 am-Life Café 10:00 am-WallaceKids 10:00 am-Life Groups 10:35 am-Chancel Choir 11:00 am-Worship 6:00 pm-Wallace Students | 18 6:00 pm-CrossFit 6:30 pm-Scouts, R203 | 19 10:30 am-SonShine Choir 2:00 pm-Staff Meeting 5:45 pm-Worship Band 6:30 pm-Stewardship 6:30 pm-Financial Peace, University, R203 | 20 10:30 am-Community Bible Study @ Pizza Corner 6:15 pm-Chancel Choir 7:00 pm-Helping Self 7:00 pm-Cristo Viene, R203 | 21 8:15 am-SAM Trip to It's a Zoo Life, Lunch @ McAlister's Deli, & Ice Cream @ Simply Natural Creamery. Bring money for lunch & ice cream. | 22 | 7:00 pm-Cristo Viene, R203 |
| 24 Regular Activities 31 Deadline OCC Shoeboxes Regular Activities Halloween 7-9 pm-Trunk-or-Treat | 25 6:00 pm-CrossFit 6:30 pm-Scouts, R203 | 26 2:00 pm-Staff Meeting 5:45 pm-Worship Band 6:30 pm-Financial Peace, University, R203 | 27 10:30 am-Community Bible Study @ Pizza Corner 6:15 pm-Chancel Choir 7:00 pm-Cristo Viene, R203 | 28 | 29 | 30 7:00 pm-Cristo Viene, R203 |