The First Baptist News

DECEMBER 17, 2019

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of NC

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Goldsboro, North Carolina

Our Mission

- *Dependent on God's leadership*
- *Growing in faith and fellowship*
- *Witnessing and ministering to each other and in our community*

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Glenn's Pen

This is our final newsletter of 2019. In reflection, I looked back at the last newsletter of 1998. In those words, I thanked you for making my first Advent spent with you so meaningful. I recalled how you had welcomed me and my family to First Baptist and wished you a blessed Christmas.

In just a few days, the Phillips will celebrate our 22nd Christmas with you. Our family has changed. My mom has gone to eternity, and my sons now have families of their own. I have two new knees, my hair is gray, I carry less weight (on my body not in the church, although it wouldn't hurt me to drop a few more pounds, AFTER CHRISTMAS!) Allyson is retiring Friday from UNC Wayne, and we all have said goodbye to dear friends over the years even as we have also welcomed many new ones. You have enthusiastically become a missional church and now we are all seeking God as we "Grow Young." Staff has changed and the world has changed, but one thing has not-my love and appreciation for you. You have become family to my family and words cannot express my gratitude. So, for the 22nd time, I pray for you a blessed and Christ-filled Christmas and a new year filled with the promises and presence of our Savior, who is Christ the Lord! Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. *Glenn*

FROM THE CHURCH STAFF

Remaining Worship Themes for 2019

December 22: ***The Fourth Sunday of Advent: Love***
Anthem: *Carol of Remembrance;* Scripture Lesson: *Isaiah 35:1-10 & Matthew 11:2-11;* Sermon: *We Are Getting the Message*

December 24: ***Christmas Eve***
Anthem: *Candlelight Communion Carol * Donna Countryman, bells;* Scripture Lesson: *Isaiah 9:2-7 & Luke 2:1-20;* Sermon: *We Are Not Getting What We Wanted*

December 29 First Sunday after Christmas
Anthem: *Christmas Rejoicing * Donna Countryman, bells; Scripture Lesson: Isaiah 63:7-9 & Matthew 2:13-23; Sermon: We Are Getting All the Presents*

Youth Progressive Christmas Party!

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

December Birthdays

December 27th—30th

25. **Ann Futrelle**
    Jim Ward
    Elliott Turner
27. **Pat Yates**
    Kate Brantley
28. **Gayle Davis**
    Dave Parsons
    Renee Turner
    Doris Glenn
    Carolyn Brock
29. **Christopher Turner**
30. **Steven Brantley**
    Doug McKeel

January Birthdays

January 1—January 8th

1. **J.P. Futrelle**
   Vernon Talton
2. **Junior Convers**
3. **Gina Thornton**
   Dawn McDonald
5. **Dan Wines**
   Renee Phillips
7. **Marley Convers**
8. **David Raper**
   Jennifer Melvin
   Becky Wines

Extension Member of the Week

Judy Jessee
Goldsboro Assisted Living
Rose Vista Room 119A
2201 Royal Avenue
Goldsboro, NC 27534

Memorial Gifts

In Honor of Geoff Remmler
A Friend to First Baptist Church
Stained Glass Fund
Chester & Patsy Best
Jenny Matthews
Floyd & Elizabeth Wingfield
Doug McKeel
Margaret Caviness
Gordon Combs
Shirley Kirkland
Virginia Shaw
Dan & Rebecca Wines
JoAnn Tillman
Andrew Holt
Virginia Millard
Linda & Wendell Thornton
Anonymous

In Memory of Mike DeGrechie
Youth Trip to Belize
Charlie & Rhonda Gaylor

In Memory of Sheila Jones
Stained Glass Fund
Tiffany Thompson & Courtney Phillips
Her Daughters

In Memory of Ann McKeel
Stained Glass Fund
Doug McKeel

In Memory of Ann Cunningham
Senior Travel Fund
Carol Caudill
Virginia Shaw
Ann Futrelle
Carol Adams

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Doris Glenn
Bill DeShong
Edna Powell
Danny Sellers
Noah Sugg
Mattie Underwood
Wayne & Brenda Williams
Frankie Sykes
Ann Futrelle
Judy Jessee
Ann Giddens
Danny Stanley
Warren Bishop
Willie Joyner
Harry Wood
Glenn Phillips, Sr.
Pat Millard
Benton & Nancy Satterfield
James Carter
Eleanor Grant
Annie Laurie Wharton
Louwanna Pender
Bob Harding
Shirley Kirkland
Becky Sykes
Military:
Zach Phillips
Jeremy Volz
Kenny Archibald

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

In Honor of My Deacon Families
Rhonda Gaylor
Stained Glass Fund
Chester & Patsy Best
Beverly Carroll
Jack Casteen
Donna Countryman
Heather Pardue
Dr. Matt & Lola Delbridge
Joyce Duncan
Peggy Edmondson
Eleanor Grant
Jesse & Wendy Hooks
Alex & Edie Rikard
Judy Jessee
Iva Kimbrough
Lois Marshall
Doug McKeel
Steve & Ginger Newcomb

5th Sunday Fellowship

December 29th
9:50 AM
Light Breakfast will be served.
Lesson by Dr. Phillips

Please don't forget to pick-up your Christmas Cards in the Fellowship Hall Mailbox

The First Baptist Church

"Sharing the Heart of Christ from the Heart of the City"

FBC partners with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship nationally and in North Carolina, and with the North Carolina Baptist Men and WMU, in spreading the gospel and meeting needs in the name of Christ.

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The Church Office will be closed the 24th - 27th for the Christmas Holidays!

There will not be another Newsletter until January 7th

Just a Reminder that all donations for 2019 must be dated or in the church by December 31st

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Calendar: www.fbcgoldsboro.org/calendar

Sunday, December 22, 2 Timothy 4:14-18
8:55a Early Worship
10:00a Bible Study
10:55a Traditional Worship Service

Monday, December 23, 2 Timothy 4:6-8
9:00a Prayer Shawl Ministry

Tuesday, December 24, Luke 2:1-20
Church Office Closed
5:00p Christmas Eve

Wednesday, December 25, Luke 2:25-35
CHRISTMAS
Church Office Closed
No Wednesday Evening Activities

Thursday, December 26, Luke 2:36-40
Church Office Closed
7:30a Ramp Builders

Friday, December 27, Matthew 2:1-11
Church Office Closed

Saturday, December 28, Matthew 2:12-21

December 15

Sunday School Enrollment	341
Members	145
Visitors	0
Brookdale at The Pines	9
Total SS Attendance	154
Worship Attendance	233

General Fund

February Total	$43,989.90
March Total	$52,244.00
April Total	$47,120.66
May Total	$44,820.71
June Total	$44,216.30
July Total	$39,493.38
August Total	$32,510.91
September Total	$53,739.41
October Total	$59,929.36
November Total	$45,513.59

Sunday, December 1	$13,757.00
On Line Giving	$2,568.20
Sunday, December 8	$16,753.46
On Line Giving	$400.00
Sunday, December 15	$70,397.23
On Line Giving	$865.00
Total	$104,740.89

MINISTER ON CALL

December 21st—December 29th Dr. Phillips
December 30th—January 3rd Scott Thrailkill
We have an emergency number at church available 24/7. Call the church and select prompt 5, leave your message with a phone number, and a minister will be in touch.

THE CHURCH STAFF

Glenn Phillips Ext. 104	Senior Minister
Scott Thrailkill Ext. 107	Associate Minister Ed. & Youth
Carl Ashley Ext. 105	Minister of Music
Anna Tart	Children's Ministry Director
Carol Gray	Organist
Bobbi Goodhart Ext. 101	Administrative Assistant
Sheila Thompson Ext. 102	Administrator
Melissa Turner Ext. 114	Support Services Manager
Karen Kestler Ext. 116	Child Development Director

Child Development Center Phone (919) 735-8464

First Baptist Website www.fbcgoldsboro.org.

Church office hours:
8:30 AM to 4:30 PM Monday –Thursday
8:30 AM –12:30 PM Friday