



PLYMOUTH FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

June 2022

Pastor's Letter: The Importance of Virtuous Living

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

How many times in our popular culture do we hear people promoting virtuous living? I have to say, I find very little of it within our national dialogue. We certainly hear of it in some places, but in our nation and world it is rare today.

To live virtuously is to conform to a standard of right. It is to adhere to moral excellence. It is reference to a commendable quality or trait. The opposite of virtuous living is to be driven by vice, moral depravity or corruption- it is to embrace wickedness. Up until recently in our culture virtue and vice were defined by biblical standards and the moral code embedded in a healthy conscience. Today many do not embrace biblical standards of morality- or even the law of conscience. To many today are driven by instincts and passions. Too many see the answer to all their problems in pleasure or the political system- as if government has the power to save. It most certainly cannot save, and it cannot force people to be good.

As a Christian, as a husband, father and grandfather and as a pastor of a local congregation I must say that my concerns are great – we are in perilous times- and the great peril is not from without – but from within. There is a song written by Scott Wesley Brown I had sung many times in different church settings years ago that had this line within it- “...every nation that has fallen, has fallen from within.” This is so true. It is moral decay that brings societies to their knees.

We have got to wake up as a people and realize that we are collapsing as a people because of moral failure. Our deliverance from our current crises will be found in our return to virtue: Courage and self-control. Modesty and peace. Forgiveness and responsibility. Respect and humility. Truth, loyalty and many other honorable qualities. By returning to these as individuals, we will become a great nation once again. Colossians 3:12-14 *Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. ¹³ Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. ¹⁴ And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.*

Let us be among those who display Godly virtue!

Love in Christ, Pastor Paul

The Baptist Men hosted a breakfast in honor of moms on Mothers Day!

It was delicious and a wonderful time was had by all!

A hearty thank you to all the Baptist men who made it happen!



Please keep in your prayers:

Church Family

Micki Dail and Cecelia Spruill in the loss of *their brother, Greg Spruill*.

Elizabeth Benjamin in the loss of her Grandmother.

Kacey and Kimber Mae Noell

Paul Lilly

Lynn West

B.J. Lyle

Tracie Wildman

Robert and Phyllis Dickerson

Marguerite Sexton Hart

Faye McCombs

Frances Lucas

NURSING HOME RESIENTS

Christine McMurtrie

Three Rivers Nursing and Rehab

Pauline Humphreys

River Trace Nursing & Rehab Center

Tim Elks

Carrolton Of Plymouth

Rae Owens

Chowan River Nursing and Rehab Center.

OTHER CONCERNS:

Billy Maitland, Annette Cedeno (Charlene Evan's Cousin), Jeff Davis, Sandra Hewitt, Parker Joyner, Nadine Williams Watson, Trevor Cannan, June Basnight, Glenn Hassell, Wayne Britt, Debbie Comstock, Gavin & Bryson Blount, Mae Oliver, Keith Sawyer.



Remember to give to and pray for our Radio Ministry as we broadcast on Magic 95.9 each Sunday. Listen in to hear the daily devotional "Of this I am Convinced"

Our radio program is a mission of FBC is not included in our regular budget so please consider supporting it financially!

THANK YOU NOTE

Dear First Baptist Church Members,

Thank you for all the love and support you have shown me during my recent battle with cancer. The beautiful cards, words of encouragement, and prayers were appreciated. I am so thankful to God to have friends like you.

Love, Christi and Rodney Rogerson

JUNE MEETINGS

5th Baptist Men's Breakfast at 7:30 am.

5th—Observe Communion

6th— Buildings & Grounds meet at 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall.

7th— Helen Peele Circle meeting in fellowship hall at 7:00 pm.

13th—Deacons meet at 7:00 pm in the craft room with Scott Chandler.

CONGRATULATIONS



High School

Holley Brabble

Claire Dail

Kylee Lee

Colleges and Universities

Jordan Brown - Chowan University—
Bachelor of Arts in Religion degree
with Honors.

Gracen Rogers—Bachelor of Science
in Nursing (BSN)
Minor in Psychology
Minor in Population Health from
Barton College.

Brinson Edmondson—University of
North Carolina at Chapel Hill -
Bachelor of Arts in Human Develop-
ment and Family Studies with a con-
centration in Family Life Education.

Lennon Wall—University of North
Carolina at Chapel Hill—Bachelor of
Arts in English and Comparative Lit-
erature with a concentration in
American and British Novels.

Lydia Ruth Griffin—East Carolina
University—Masters Degree in Social
Work.

Senior Sunday at FBC
Is June 12, 2022!

June 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	27	29	30		

Birthdays & Anniversaries



Mittie Ward 6/4

Camellia Lee 6/7

Tony Dail 6/10

Beth Thompson 6/13

Lindsey Modlin 6/14

B.J. Lyle 6/15

Wade Rogers 6/21

Briauna Faulk 6/22

Phillip Ward 6/22

Cha Rogers 6/26

Carolyn Watlington 6/27

Janet Ruth Griffin 6/28

Melinda Galtress 6/29

John Smith 6/29

Janie Edmondson 6/30



Leroy & Ann Bland 6/4

Paul & Sherri Harrington 6/4

John & Donna Gray 6/11

Tony & Marie Bullock 6/30

Note of Congratulations

Congratulations to my Grand-
daughter, Kassie Franck for earn-
ing her PHD in Occupational
Therapy from Boston University.
Julia would be so proud!

With Much Love,

Wade Rogers



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Hope is found here.
Psalm 39:7

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Office Administrator

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Midweek Fellowship at Golden Skillet!

Starting
Wednesday
June 8th at 6:00pm

Each Wednesday throughout the summer your brothers and sisters in Christ will be meeting for a wonderful time of Bible devotion, prayer, food and fellowship at Golden Skillet!

Come out and join them to enjoy a meal (everyone selects and pays for their own).

At the same time build your relationships with Jesus and your brothers and sisters!

WITH MUCH APPRECIATION

To say that Jeff and I are overwhelmed by all the love and support shown to us during this time is a complete understatement! Philippians 4:13 says *"I can do everything through Him who gives me strength."* God works through each of you to help others when they are faced with trials and hardships. You have been a true blessing for Jeff and I, and we are forever humbled and blessed by your kindness. We love you and may God continue to bless each of you.

With All Our Love, Danita and Jeff.

ATTENTION ADULT CHOIR

The Adult Choir will begin rehearsing once a month for the summer. For June we will rehearse on Sunday, June 5, at 6:00 pm.

Rehearsals for July and August will be announced at a later date.