



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

November 2024



To the members and friends of First Baptist Church, Plymouth.

“Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and perform your vows to the Most High, and call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.”...The one who offers thanksgiving as his sacrifice glorifies me; to one who orders his way rightly I will show the salvation of God!”
Psalm 50:14-15,23

Here is a reality. A person cannot offer thanks to God and complain at the same time. Often our spiritual progress is held up simply because we do not offer to our LORD praise and thanksgiving on a daily, moment by moment basis. Offering thanks to God, being appreciative for Him and what He has done in our lives and the lives of others is FUNDAMENTAL to living the life God desires us to live. Dietrich Bonhoeffer wrote, “How can God entrust great things to one who will not thankfully receive from Him all things?”

It is troubling how some Christians live as if complaining is a spiritual gift or virtue— it’s not! Note the opening phrase of the above Bible verses. God offers the assurance of deliverance from trouble to the one who sacrifices thanksgiving to God and keeps their promises or vows to Him— The Most High. This name for God, is from the Hebrew El Elyon and it refers to the LORD God as the Creator of Heaven and Earth. This name points to the fact the LORD, Jehovah, is the God above all others— and singularly worthy of our praise. Just an observation, it seems that we humans are eager to praise sports figures, celebrities, people who do things for us or perform well— yet we find it difficult to spend time in praise and thanksgiving to God privately or with the body of Christ. If God’s people are characterized by anything— we are to be known as thankful people. I close with the words of A.W. Tozer, “Gratitude is an offering precious in the sight of God, and it is one that the poorest of us can make and be not poorer but richer for having made it.”

-With thanksgiving to God for you my brothers and sisters— Pastor Paul



November 2024 Meetings and Gatherings

3rd-Baptist Men's Breakfast at 7:30 am.; Communion Observed during morning worship.

4th-Mission Action meets at 1:00 pm at Golden Skillet; Buildings & Grounds meets at 6:30 pm.

5th-Helen Peele meets at 7:00 pm with Ann Cody & Gwen Mitchell hosting. Chapter 5 Revelation.

11th-Deacons meet at 7:00 pm with Lora Craddock hosting.

13th-The Finance Committee will meet following Bible Study.

17th-Gail Hardison meets after church for the annual Bake and Take!!

18th-Last Ladies Bible Study.

20th-Last Wednesday Bible Study.

28 & 29th-Office closed for Thanksgiving.



The deadline for the combined December and January newsletter is Monday, November 18th.



Youth



Thanks to everyone who donated candy during the Month of October, enabling us to interact with trick or treaters and their families on the 31st. Let us pray for the Lord to move in a way only He can, and that maybe we may see some new faces at FBC!

Youth will be starting a new series on Wednesday Nights in the coming Weeks, so I encourage you to invite those you know with Students to join us BOTH for our fellowship meal on Wednesday Night, but also our Bible Study.

I also want to thank everyone personally for the encouragement I received after recently filling the pulpit. On that same topic, We are looking to see if we can get a rotation of volunteers for Children's Church, for Sunday's when I have to serve elsewhere. This would be just to fill in the gaps, and to assist our current small rotation.

Philippians 1:3-11

I thank my God every time I remember you.

- Pastor Loyd



Birthdays

Hulan Williams 11/2

Susan Sawyer 11/7

Blake Gurganus 11/10

Harry Ward 11/11

Lorita Simonds 11/16

Paul Lilly 11/17

Dianne Swain 11/23

Gage Brabble 11/28



Anniversaries

Bill & Linda Sermons

11/25

Bill & Renee Sexton

11/25

John & Sue Smith

11/26



Backpack Ministry

Praises to God!



Our church will be sending 161 backpacks filled with blessings, including the gospel, to children in the coal fields of West Virginia.

Thanks be to God for His generous people!

In the Nursing Homes

Tim Elks

Carrolton of Plymouth

Steve Barnes

Autumnfield of Belhaven

Nancy Revell

Ahoskie Assisted Living

Shelby Flint

Windsor House

PRAYER LIST

CHURCH FAMILY:

Charlene Evans

Virginia Dilday

Shelley Brown

George Boyd

Mittie Ward

Kristie Shaw

Margaret Sugg

Chris Smith

Marguerite Hart

Ann Bland

B.J. Lyle

Faye McCombs

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:

Amy Gurganus

Aiden Bishop

Betty King

Ronnie Coburn

Whitney Denton

Sharon Shipley

Junior Daffon

Rick Casey

Tim King (Brother of Tammy Wiard)

Rodney Rogerson

Ronnie Collier (Father of Rhonda Hickman)

Tracy Pinner (Granddaughter in law of Shirley P.)

Vanessa White

Stanley Curry

Jeff Davis

Mary Bunting

Amy Phelps

Danny Barber

Steve Peyton

Stan Dymek

Joelle Dickey

Joyce Jones

Shirley Harrell

John C. Mann

Evan Roberson

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS
NOVEMBER 3rd



Nursery Rotation

November

3rd— Dianne Swain

Susan Sawyer

10th—Ann Cody

India Jones

17th—Lora Craddock

Genda Smith

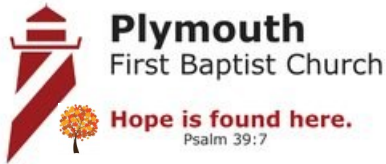
24th—Caroline Chandler

Amy Collins

Help a child
know Christ's

Love





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Mrs. B.J. Lyle, Organist

Lora Craddock,
Deacon of the Month



Baptist Children's Homes

Thanksgiving Offering

There is a MISSION FIELD all around us!

Did you know 70% of Baptist Children's Homes residents are un-churched and unreached for Jesus? When our church participates in the Annual Offering, hope is shared, miracles happen and the lost are introduced to Jesus.

Our Goal this year is \$1500.00.

Guest Speaker Mr. Jim Dyer

Sunday, November 10th

Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina
board of Trustees

It's time for our new directory!

*Technology has
changed the way
we can view
directories!*



Our Church Family Album will
not be complete without you!

More details to come but our day for
photo sessions is **January 16 2025!**
Mark your calendar!