



FIRST BAPTIST NEWS & VIEWS



OCTOBER 2020

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Dear FBCH Family,

October promises to be an exciting month for us, especially because of our **return to worshiping in the sanctuary beginning on Sunday, October 11**. I hope that you are as eager to *enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise* as I am! If you're not quite ready to return to gathering inside, that's okay — you can still come to the parking lot and tune into **88.7 FM** as if it was a drive-in service, or you can **watch online** (Facebook, YouTube, Vimeo) or listen to the clear **audio on toll free (844) 455-7887**. Your health and safety remain a priority - we will practice reasonable safety measures inside our sanctuary per issued guidelines.

All Worship Services will continue to be held at 11am until **Sunday, November 1, which will be the first time we move worship to 10:30am** according to the church's vote (this is also the same day Daylight Savings time ends, so be aware!). I won't guarantee that this change will get you out promptly every Sunday by 11:30...but I will say that we have a much better shot at being done by noon!

October will also launch our **God's Handy Helpers ministry / mission**, with a strategy meeting planned for **Saturday, October 3 at 10am**. This is such a wonderful opportunity for us in the church to get outside our four walls not only to minister in a very tangible way to our own brothers and sisters, but also to reach out to others in the community to show them the light and love of Jesus Christ through our service to them. It's also a great activity in which to invite a friend or neighbor to join you – it promises to be a lot of fun among good Christian brothers and sisters!

Since our time of quarantine is hopefully coming to a close, I want to thank so many of you whose giving has remained faithful to the Lord and to FBCH during the past months. If you have not yet discovered the joy and blessing of giving back to the Lord...*don't start with us!* I would encourage you to find another charity or group that you believe does good work, and begin giving to them. It is my sincere belief that after you have experienced the blessing of giving in this way, you will joyfully consider giving back to the church to support our ministries and missions in the name of the Lord. I pray that you would claim this promised blessing for yourself: *"Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, 'and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.'*" (Malachi 3:10b) The spiritual growth and blessings which flow from a heart focused on serving God are priceless!

While things may never get back to what we would have called "normal" a year ago, I pray that God would give each of you a spirit of peace and encouragement in whatever your current situation looks like. Embrace living life to the fullest, knowing that any challenges and struggles are also opportunities for spiritual growth as well as scenes divinely set for the love and grace of Jesus Christ to be displayed through your faith in action. Thank you for making FBCH a church focused on serving the Lord in all we do. To God be the glory forever and ever!

Gripped by grace,
Pastor Ryan

CHURCH UPDATES/EVENTS

God's Handy Helpers organizational meeting scheduled for Saturday, October 3 at 10:00 am. If you are considering helping out in our newly formed ministry / mission, please try to attend. No work is scheduled at this time; we plan to have a short devotional and strategy discussion.

Attention prayer warriors and anyone else interested: **starting Sunday October 4, 2020 at 10:40 am we will meet before church service to pray for the needs of our church family, church, community and country.** Weather permitting we will meet in the church parking lot, practice social distancing, and wear masks during prayer. Thank you, Patrick Sharp

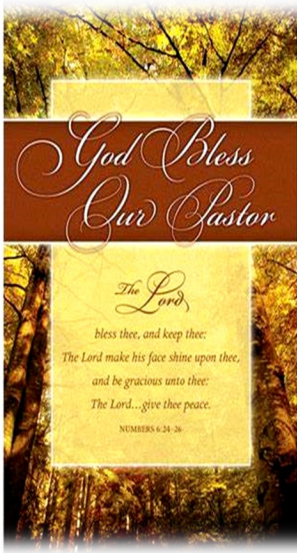
Budget-discussed 2021 budget plans, voted to consolidate 2 savings accounts into operating budget once a CD matures.

Building & Grounds-Roof still leaking after recent attempt to seal. Group discussed next options to save steeple and recommended calling steeple company to address. Work on prayer garden, AV sound box in sanctuary wall removed, toilet seal replaced in ladies bathroom. Refrigerators in youth room and one of the large units in kitchen turned off to save on electricity.

Personnel-Working with an accounting firm on filing needed paperwork on loan for covid. Reviewing plans with accounting service on monthly reports.



The Lord's Supper Sunday October 4th!!!



October 11th is Pastor Appreciation Day!

Pastor Ryan has asked for donations in celebration of Pastor Appreciation Month to be given to The "Special Missions" fund of FBCH during the month of October.

Donations will help support future FBCH mission trips and activities that seek to be obedient to Jesus's Great Commission calling by bringing God's Word to lost people in other areas.

Thank you and God Bless you!

The Love Fund Recipient for the 4th quarter starting in October is Jim Ring. The collections will run through the end of December.



Thank you for joining us @
First Baptist Church (FBCH) of Hillsville, VA!

We offer many ways to stay in touch with our
Worship Services, Bible Study, teaching, and fellowship:

- Facebook
- YouTube
- www.FBCHillsville.org
- Audio streaming (toll free 844-455-7887)
- **AM 1400 WHHV Radio** (Sunday Worship Service - Hillsville area)
- **FM 88.7 Radio** (Sunday Worship Service - local/drive-in)
- **Vimeo**

We hope you'll join us again soon!

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Food Items for the Food Pantry in October



- Oct. 4 - Pinto Beans & Cornbread mix
- Oct. 11 - Soups & crackers
- Oct. 18 - Canned Meats & Canned Fruits
- Oct. 25 - Cereals

Drop off items at the church in our outside Drive-by Food Pantry donation tote. It will be on the porch steps during weekly office hours (9am to 3pm) for your convenience.

Thank you and God Bless!!!



Applesauce, fruit, granola bars, individual spaghetti, mac & cheese, nabs, etc.



NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

MARGARET GOAD

Laurel Meadows Nursing Home
16600 Danville Pike
Laurel Fork, VA 24352

LEONA LAYHER

Ridgecrest Assisted Living
1000 Ridgecrest Ln.
Room #2302
Mt Airy, NC 27030

SHUT-INS

Wayne &
Norene Sowers

Doris Childs

Laura Melton

Zelma Goad

Glenda Yonce

Joe Mina

Mindy Cox

Glenna Blevins

Nina Goad

Kyle Nester

Jean Worrell

Joyce Bowman

Samaritan's Purse

October - Reusable Water Bottles



DO NOT INCLUDE items that are:

Used or damaged, war-related (toy guns or military figures), glass, liquid, toothpaste, or candy.

Contact Judy with any questions.



Thank you


FBCH Family,

Please accept my sincere thanks for the beautiful flowers, prayers, cards, and expressions of sympathy following the recent passing of my sister Jo Ann.

Love in Christ,

Howard & Polly Sturgill



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 10:40am Prayer The Lord's Supper Sunday School (online) 11:00am Worship Service (drive-in)	5 4:15pm Annie Armstrong (canceled)	6 3:00pm Budget meeting	7 7:00pm Business meeting	1	2	3 God's Handy Helpers meeting @ 10:00am in FBCHG
11 Sunday School (online) 11:00am Worship Service (return to the sanctuary!) 12:30pm Cemetery Committee meet	12 1:00pm Joanna Mission (canceled)	13	14 7:00pm Bible Study (online)	15 9:30am Sew Journers	16	17
18 Sunday School (online) 11:00am Worship Service	19	20 6:30pm Building & Grounds Meeting	21 7:00pm Bible Study (online)	22	23	24
25 Sunday School (online) 11:00am Worship Service	26 7:00pm Deacons' meeting	27	28 7:00pm Bible Study (online)	29	30	31 Halloween 

Gifts in Memoriam

IN MEMORY OF

EFFIE CROWDER
LURENE BOWMAN
RONNIE L. WORRELL
BILLIE TAYLOR
BILLIE TAYLOR
BILLIE TAYLOR
BILLIE TAYLOR
JIM WILLIAMS—BIRTHDAY
CLENDON STANLEY
JANICE MCCRAW
CLENDON STANLEY
CLENDON STANLEY
JANICE MCCRAW
RON ADAMS
JUANITA BOLT
RON ADAMS

GIVEN BY

JOHN & SHARON JOHNSON
JUDY THOMPSON
HENRY & LINDA JENNINGS
MARC & LYNN OGLE
HAROLD & MARGARET COX
JUDY THOMPSON
CAROLYN GRIGG
BETTY WILLIAMS
TOM & ALLENE TABOR
TOM & ALLENE TABOR
ED & SUSAN NAFF
JUDY THOMPSON
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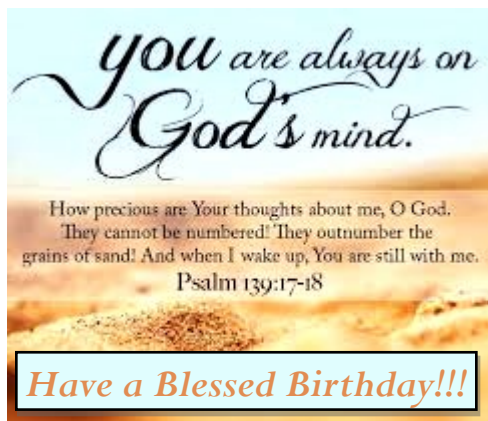
BOB WRIGHT
JANIE ADAMS
JANIE ADAMS
TOM & VICKIE PLEUR
DAN HUFF

GIVEN BY

DENNIS & KARON FELTS
JOANNA MISSION ACTION GROUP
JOANN HALL
ALEX MCIVER
HOWARD & POLLY STURGILL

FUND

BUDGET
SHOE BOX
BUDGET
BACKPACKS
GOD'S HANDY HELPERS



October Birthdays

- 1 Janie Adams
- 2 Norma Ring
- 3 Danielle Goad
- 7 Debbie Melton
- 7 Maggie Shorter
- 12 Clayton Stockner
- 13 Wanda Montgomery
- 16 Joanne Edwards
- 20 Tammy Webb
- 20 Paula Pulliam
- 25 Glenda Gardner
- 29 Caleb Webb

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE			
Oct.	Nursery	Altar Flowers	Ushers
4	Not Available	The Lord's Supper	See Pat Sharp to volunteer
11	Not Available	The Sweeney Family	
18	Not Available	Ed & Susan Naff	Deacon
25	Not Available	Ann Davis & Family	Mark Stout



October Anniversaries

- 9 Sam & Cathy Sweeney
- 27 Lynn & Debbie Layher

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Pastor	<i>Ryan Mills</i>
Praise Leaders (Interim)	<i>Donna McIver & Becky Adams</i>
Deacon Chairman	<i>Mark Stout</i>
Administrative Assistant	<i>Norma Ring</i>
Treasurer	<i>Polly Sturgill</i>
Assistant Treasurer	<i>Glenda Gardner</i>
Personnel Chairman	<i>Mike Fariss</i>
Budget Chairman	<i>Sam Sweeney</i>

THINK YOU KNOW FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH...?

Jesus FIRST

Neighbors FIRST

Love FIRST

That's FIRST Baptist!

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