



FIRST BAPTIST NEWS & VIEWS



NOVEMBER 2021

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Dear FBCH Family,

November is here already – can you believe it? When I think of this time of year the things that come to mind are crisp fall mornings; the vibrant reds, yellows, and oranges of changing leaves; the thankfulness inspired by Thanksgiving...and the fellowship of a family meal...and eating way too much (maybe that one's just me...); and the realization that Christmas is just around the corner. What a wonderful time of year!

But before we're tempted to get ahead of ourselves and look to Christmas to the detriment of enjoying the current moment, let's focus on Thanksgiving. Better yet—let's focus on giving thanks...

Enter his gates with thanksgiving

and his courts with praise;

give thanks to him and praise his name.

For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;

his faithfulness continues through all generations. (Psalm 100:4-5)

We are God's children, friends of Jesus, and vessels of the Holy Spirit. God walks with us every day, in every situation, at all times, sustaining and encouraging us, being patient with us, *loving* us. What an amazing God to serve and call friend! Praise His name!

So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. (Colossians 2:6-7)

When was the last time you were “overflowing with thankfulness”? I confess that too often I find myself in ‘thankfulness droughts’, and yet I (like all who walk with Jesus) should be swimming in a life bursting with thankfulness every day for all that Jesus has done for us, all the love and mercy the Father has poured out on us, all the grace that continues to be showered upon us by God. Not to mention my beautiful little girls, my patient and gracious wife, this generous congregation, a supportive family, a roof over my head, food in my belly, breath in my lungs, life in my body, the beauty of the Virginia mountains...the list is literally endless! What are you thankful for today? Take a moment to take stock of your own blessings—it will help put your head and heart in the right place of deep gratitude towards your heavenly Father. We, brothers and sisters, are a blessed people indeed!

Gripped by grace,

Pastor Ryan

CHURCH UPDATES/EVENTS

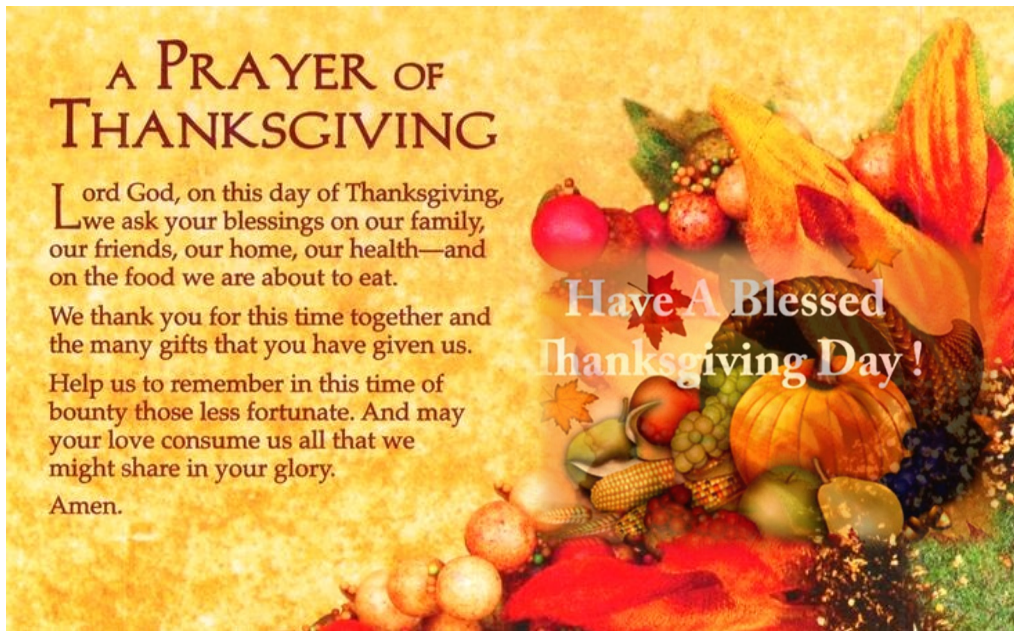
First Baptist Church Servants List for 2022 will be voted on at the business meeting held November 24, 2021.

Please join us for packing Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes on November 8th, 9th, and possibly November 11th, from 10am until 12 noon each day. See *Judy Thompson with questions.*

God's Handy Helpers is meeting November 13 at 9am. Please join us for prayer, devotional, and fellowship as we undertake another important service project.

We are in need of volunteers for the Nursery during Sunday School at 9:30 am. Please email the office at office@fbchillsville.org to serve in this important ministry.

Let's remember families this Thanksgiving. Food Pantry items: cans of sweet potatoes, boxes of dressing, cranberry sauces, cans of pie fillings, pie crusts, cans of fried apples, gravy, instant potatoes, canned vegetables.



Date: November 13, 2021

Time: 11am - 1pm

Location: First Baptist Church
outside the doors of the
Fellowship Hall.

Please join us for this celebration!!

The Church Office will be closed November 25th & 26th.

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
- FBCHillsville.org
- FM 88.7 Radio
(Sunday Worship Service – local/drive-in)
- Vimeo
- Audio on Any Phone
(toll free 844-455-7887)

*We hope to worship
with you again soon!*

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Food Items for the Food Pantry in November



Food Pantry items needed:

- November 7 - Pinto beans & Cornbread mixes
- November 14 - Soups & Crackers
- November 21 - Canned meats & Canned fruits
- November 28 - 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.



We are **collecting for Children's Backpacks!**

Food items needed: Apple sauce, nabs, juices, granola bars, pop tarts, pudding, small containers of spaghetti, mac & cheese, ravioli and individual cups of fruit. The need is even greater than it was before, with so many kids from broken families and foster care.



NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

LEONA LAYHER
Ridgecrest Assisted Living
2302 Ridgecrest Lane
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

Joyce Bowman

Samaritan's Purse



November -Adhesive Bandages (colorful band aides)

Please join us for packing Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes on November 8th, 9th, and possibly November 11th, from 10am until 12 noon each day. See *Judy Thompson* with questions.

DO NOT INCLUDE items that are:

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

Contact Judy Thompson with any questions.



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First Baptist Church of Hillsville
Gratefully acknowledges the generous
Contribution of Bonnie Kimble
for the Gazebo Fund
In Honor of
Pastor Ryan & Family
First Baptist Church Veterans
Dan Huff and God's Handy Helpers
All First Baptist Church Families

November

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 7pm Bible Study	4	5	6
7 9am Prayer Meeting 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service	8	9	10 7pm Bible Study	11	12	13 9am God's Handy Helpers
14 9am Prayer Meeting 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service 12pm Cemetery Committee meet	15	16 6:30pm Building & Grounds Committee	17 7pm Bible Study	18	19	20
21 9am Prayer Meeting 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service	22 7pm Deacons meeting	23 3pm Budget meeting	24 7pm Business meeting	25 Happy Thanksgiving!! Church office closed	26 Church office closed	27
28 9am Prayer Meeting 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service	29	30				

Please note: The current calendar of events (updated regularly) can also be found on our Church website.

Gifts in Memoriam

IN MEMORY OF

CLAYTON STOCKNER
GARRY GOAD
CLAYTON STOCKNER
JOHN STOUT
REX HANCOCK

GIVEN BY

BETTY WILLIAMS
KATHY NESTER
DENNIS & KARON FELTS
DIANE ALLEN
DIANE ALLEN

FUND

GAZEBO FUND
BUDGET
BUDGET
ALMA HUNT
CEMETERY FUND

IN HONOR OF

PASTOR RYAN
PASTOR RYAN & FAMILY
FBC VETERANS
DAN HUFF & GOD'S HANDY HELPERS
ALL FBC FAMILIES
PASTOR RYAN & AUDREY

GIVEN BY

HOWARD & POLLY STURGILL
BONNIE KIMBLE
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DIANE ALLEN

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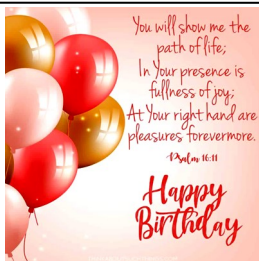
In Remembrance October, 2021

First Baptist Church offers our condolences to the family of Clayton Stockner.



CHILDREN & YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CHURCH NURSERY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

November	Pre-2nd	3rd-6th	7th-12th	Van 1	Van 2	Worship Service Nursery	Ushers
7	Paul Cannon & Joleanna Cannon	Elizabeth Motley & Polly Sturgill	Lynn Ogle & Pat Sharp	Pat Sharp	Ed Naff	Audrey Mills & Paula Pulliam	See Pat Sharp to volunteer
14	Diane Allen & Merrilynn Butterfield	Elizabeth Motley & Polly Sturgill	Lynn Ogle & Pat Sharp	Pat Sharp	Ed Naff	Victoria & Elizabeth Sweeney	
21	Paul Cannon & Joleanna Cannon	Elizabeth Motley & Polly Sturgill	Lynn Ogle & Pat Sharp	Pat Sharp	Ed Naff	Audrey Mills & Paula Pulliam	Deacon of the Month
28	Diane Allen & Merrilynn Butterfield	Elizabeth Motley & Polly Sturgill	Lynn Ogle & Pat Sharp	Pat Sharp	Ed Naff	Victoria & Elizabeth Sweeney	Steve Pulliam



November Birthdays

6 Kathy Williams
16 Debbie Layher
25 Karon Felts
26 James Armentrout
26 Laura Melton
27 Jayne Shorter
28 Kyle Nester



November Anniversaries

3 Joe & Reva Brown
4 Joe & Connie Mina
8 Jim & Norma Ring
12 Wayne & Noreme Sowers
11 Sonny & Donna McIver

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of Hillsville**

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Pastor

Ryan Mills

Administrative Assistant

Norma Ring

Deacon Chairman

Mark Stout

THINK YOU KNOW FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH...?

Jesus FIRST

Neighbors FIRST

Love FIRST

That's FIRST Baptist!

Return Service Requested

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