



# The Lighthouse: Quick-Glance Ministry Updates

Please contact our Ministry Team Leaders and let them know how you can help



## New Sunday Schedule





9:00 am – Fellowship Sunday

9:15 am - Praise and Worship

10:45 am - Sunday School

## Our Vision

*“Growing in our relationships with Christ and using our gifts to bring Christ to the World”*

<p><u>Discipleship Ministry</u></p> <p><b>Team Leaders:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shirley James</li> <li>• Dan Denston</li> </ul> <p>They Call Him Jesus</p> 	<p> <b>MERRY CHRISTMAS</b> </p> <p><b>FROM THE DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRY</b></p> <p>Isaiah 9:6 - For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders. And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.</p> <p>*May we all be Disciples of Jesus Christ and learn what it means to be like Jesus and to always put Him first in all things. Mark 8:34-38</p> <p>*We encourage everyone to come and join us on Wednesday evenings at 6:15pm for our Adult Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall.</p> <p>*Come and join us on Sunday mornings at 9am for coffee and fellowship in the Fellowship Hall and Sunday School at 10:45am.</p> <p>*Our Discipleship Ministry prayer request for December: Prayers for everyone to have a safe and Blessed Christmas Season, and prayers for our Church families who have prayer concerns.</p>
<p><u>Evangelism Ministry</u></p> <p><b>Team Leaders:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paul &amp; Maria Agrillo</li> </ul>	<p>* Christmas is an amazing opportunity to share the perfect gift- the love and hope of the Gospel! There are tracts available at church to share. Go and make disciples...says the Lord!!! Mt 28:19-20</p>
<p><u>Worship Ministry</u></p> <p><b>Team Leaders:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wes Moore</li> <li>• Jeannie Arnold</li> <li>• Mandy Davis</li> <li>• Sherrie Hiatt</li> <li>• Jim Wind</li> </ul>	<p>*Love Feast Sunday, December 16, 9:15 am (See column on page 3 for details)</p> 
<p><u>Helping Ministry</u></p>	<p><b>Needs for the Help Center</b></p> <p>The Federal Point Help Center is in need of the following items: Syrup, Soup, Pasta Sauce, Teabags, Dry Pasta, or any other canned or dry goods (<u>not out of date</u>), and toiletries. Please place your items on the table in the sanctuary</p>
<p><u>Fellowship Ministry</u></p>	<p>* Fellowship Meals are on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm.</p>
<p><u>Facilities Ministry</u></p> <p><b>Team Leaders:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tommy Tucker</li> </ul>	<p>*Handymen/Women Needed!! There are many items that need attention. See Tommy Tucker to help</p>
<p><u>Other Needs in our Church</u> <u>This Month</u></p> <p>Please call the Church Office 910-458-5134 or church@fbccb.org</p>	<p>*Our Safety and Security Team needs you! See Tom Hardin for details</p> <p>*We are in need of volunteers to work in the Nursery with our precious babies and children. Please call Tammy Dew.</p>

## The Advent Season



The Advent Season is our joyful celebration which anticipates the coming of Jesus into the world! Each Sunday during the weeks of Advent, we will look at HOPE, JOY, PEACE, LOVE and then finally – The miraculous, physical coming into the World of Jesus Christ – The Messiah/ Savior of the World! He is God’s Only Son who came to reconcile us to our Creator and Heavenly Father, Jehovah-God.

### 1) November 25 (“Hanging of the Green” Service) Lighting of “The Hope” Advent Candle

- The first candle is sometimes called the candle of prophecy because it symbolizes the promises the prophets delivered as messages from God; promises that foretold Christ’s birth. Others consider the candle to be a symbol of the hope we have in Christ and so it is called the Hope candle.

*He is the Hope of the World:*

### 2) DECEMBER 2 Lighting of “The Joy” Advent Candle

- The second candle indicates that the only lasting Joy to be found in life on earth is through Christ. All other joy is fleeting and does not last.

*Hebrews 12:2* “fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”

### 3) DECEMBER 9 (The Lord’s Supper) Lighting of “The Peace” Advent Candle

- The third candle reminds us that Jesus comes to bring Peace to the hearts of everyone who calls on His name. Without Christ there is no peace in the world.

*He is the Prince of Peace:*

*Isaiah 9:6.* 6 For a child is born to us, a son is given to us; And the government Is upon His shoulder; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.

### 4) DECEMBER 16 (LOVE FEAST SERVICE) Lighting of “The Love” Advent Candle

- The forth candle shows that Christ is the Way. Christians are lost in sin and Christ is the Light sent into the world to show us the way out of darkness.

*He Shines the Light of the World:*

*1 Corinthians 13:13* “And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.”

### 5) DECEMBER 23 Lighting of “The Christ” Advent Candle

- The fifth candle represents Christ himself who is born to save people from their sins. It is a celebration of the fulfilment of prophecy as represented in Christ’s birth and hope in the final fulfilment when Christ comes again and all Christ-Followers join him for eternity in our Heavenly Home.

*HE IS THE CHRIST:*

*John 8:12* “Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”

I look forward to seeing you on each Sunday of Advent as we celebrate together the coming of our precious Jesus!



Because He Lives,  
Pastor Hal



## The Lighthouse: Quick-Glance Ministry Updates

Please contact our Ministry Team Leaders and let them know how you can help



### GREETERS

#### 9:15 am Service

- 2 – George Pinkston & Bernie Mitchell
- 9 – Peggy Creech & Barba Bigley
- 16 – Special Disciples Sunday School Class
- 23 – Steve & Leslie DuPre`
- 30 – Stan & Toni Herring



### NURSERY

#### 9:15 am Service

- 2 – Beverly Lovingood
- 9 – Tammy Dew & Dianne Tucker
- 16 – Peggy Creech & Jane Walker
- 23 – Lisa Jones
- 30 – Tammy Dew & Samantha Dew



### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

#### 9:15 am Service

- 2– Dianne Tucker
- 9– Jackie Abramski
- 16 - Jason Story
- 23– Jason Story
- 30 – Jason Story



### TELLERS

Jim Wind & Jane Walker



- December 9 – Rich and Becky Abeling*
- December 12 – Bill and Peggy Bryan*
- December 17 – Ralph and Robin Bolton*
- December 18 – Ray and Lori Griffin*
- December 19 – Rex and Peggy Creech*
- December 21 – David and Frances Ray*
- December 26 – Jerry and Diane Johnson*
- December 27 – Karl and Debra Benoy*
- December 30 – Tommy and Dianne Tucker*

### Help Center Christmas Baskets

The Help Center of Federal Point is asking us to help them with the donation of **74 Bottles of Pancake Syrup** for their annual Christmas Baskets. Please place them on the table in the sanctuary by Tuesday, Dec 4<sup>th</sup>. They also invited our congregation to come out and help them make deliveries on Saturday, Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Seaside Chapel Fellowship Hall between 10 am and noon.



### S.A.L.T. Group – Senior Adults Loving Together

First event: we will be going to a Christmas Concert at Ogden Baptist Church on Sunday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>. The bus will be leaving from the church at 3:15 pm.

Second event: we will be going to the Pine Valley Baptist Church: Living Christmas Tree. Sunday, December 16.. We will be leaving from the church at 6:15pm.

Please reserve your bus seat, we only have room for 14 people, for both events. Call Brenda Lemmonds for any questions, 704-242-2196.



### Ladies of All Ages are Invited

The second Monday of each month come join the Vera Harris Circle of the WMU as it focuses on missions education and prayer and plans missions projects in our community.

### WMU NEWS...

The Vera Harris Circle met November 11 with 11 members present. Plans were finalized for the upcoming Hot Dog Supper on November 30.

We will be having our Christmas luncheon on Wednesday, December 12 at Jack Mackerels. Meet at the church at 11:30 a.m. if you wish to carpool. Remember parking is limited there.

We voted to contribute \$500 to NC Baptist Men for Hurricane Relief.

We will meet again on January 14, 2019, with Marj Colman bringing the program and Toni will be the hostess.

### From the Worship Team



### LOVE FEAST

Sunday, December 16, 2018

#### What is a Love Feast?

Love feasts originated in the first gathering of the Christians after Pentecost. The early believers met and broke bread together, thereby signifying their union and equality. These meals of the church family were associated with the celebration of the Lord's Supper, which followed them. They were called agape, from the Greek word for love, that is the highest type of spiritual love.

*We would love to have special music as people are arriving, preferably instrumental. Musicians needed!*

*Come Early and get a good seat!  
The service will begin at 9:15 am !!!*

## Special Called Conference

### Vote on the 2019 Propose Budget

On Sunday, Dec. 9, immediately after the Worship Service. The proposed 2019 Budget will be available for your review in the rear of the church. All Church members are invited to attend.

### Joy of a Child



This mission/ministry helps the children on the island with Christmas gifts and food. We will not be having a box out this year with the cards on it. We are helping families this year, but Joy of a Child will be buying for them. Instead of buying the gift, we are asking for you to donate monies, you can place it in a pew envelope and mark it "Joy of a Child". Thank you!!!



### Joy of a Child Benefit Concert

We will be having our Joy of a Child Benefit Concert on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 pm. All are invited to the best Christmas Concert ever!!!!



### BUDGET/FINANCE UPDATE

(As of 10-31-18)

Members: Treasurer: Jim Wind, Stan Abramski, Tom Hardin, Stan Herring, Gloria Strickland

#### WHERE DO WE STAND

1. Monthly Budget \$23,254. Year to Date: \$232,540
2. GENERAL FUND OFFERING October 2018 offerings: \$20,433. YTD: \$218,588.
  - a. Offerings for the month were 13.81% below budget. YTD: 6.00% below budget
  - b. Balance as of October 30, 2018: \$38,481.
  - c. Sep '18 balance; \$ 33,868. (Oct '18 is up \$ 4,613)
  - d. Oct '17 balance \$ 46,848 (Oct '18 is down \$ 8,367)
3. DESIGNATED FUND OFFERING October 2018:
  - a. Oct '18 balance \$140,516.
  - b. Sep '18 balance \$130,040 (Oct '18 is up \$10,467 from a month ago)
  - c. Oct '17 balance \$128,530 (Oct '18 is up \$11,986 from a year ago)
4. MISSION RESOURCE PLAN (our church 10% tithe to CBF) paid for October; \$2,043.
5. Faithfulness Quotient (GENERAL FUND)

	<b>OCT</b>	<b>YTD</b>
Performance:	6.65	2.81
	BELOW BUDGET	BELOW BUDGET



### Grounds Committee

Please contact Dianne Tucker or Brenda Lemmonds for any suggestions or concerns regarding the church grounds. Thank you.

# Merry Christmas From the Staff

## Pastor Hal



## Betty

## Debbie



## Sam & Tammy

## Carl

