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**Audio/Visual Volunteers Needed**

The church needs volunteers to help with Audio/Visual elements during the worship services and musical rehearsals. Training will be provided. If interested, please contact the church office



**Needs for the Help Center**

The Federal Point Help Center is in need of the following items: Canned meat, jelly, dry pasta, canned fruit, canned fish, or any other canned or dry goods, and toiletries. Please place your items on the table in the sanctuary.

**Alcoholics Anonymous**

Each Sunday evening at 7 pm FBCCB hosts the "Only Today" group of AA, which follows the Speaker Meeting format and is open to all.

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**Narcotics Anonymous**

On Sunday evenings at 7 pm, the church will be hosting a Narcotics Anonymous open discussion meeting group called "A New Way of Life."



**Martha's Kitchen**

**Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6 – 7 PM**

Everyone is invited to participate in our weekly ministry of offering warm, free meals to members of our community. We really need additional teams to form.

Contact Bob Hodge (458-4302) for info.



**Mentoring Men for the Master**

Every Tuesday at 6:45 pm in the Library. All men are invited to participate in this ministry that aims to support, encourage, and challenge men in their endeavors to live out godly lives and healthy relationships.



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# The Lighthouse

A Newsletter of the First Baptist Church of Carolina Beach

*Putting the Focus on Christ . . . in our personal lives,  
in our families, in our church, in our community, in our world!*

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## Church Staff

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Mike Sanford  
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## Mission Statement

*“First Baptist Church is committed to building a bridge to the community through outreach, education, spiritual and personal development. This is our mission.”*

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## Is the Bible the Plumb-line of Your Life?

Is the Bible the plumb-line of your life – the standard by which you base all of your thoughts, feelings, attitudes, convictions, priorities, commitments, words, actions, responses, and lifestyle? God has made it clear that He did not mean for the Bible to just be a great piece of literature for us to admire and to keep on our shelves. No, God gave us the Bible to be our guidebook for living. We must understand and believe that, as our divine guidebook, the Bible is true, trustworthy, and authoritative. Indeed, if you do not believe that, then you will not believe its narratives, you will not trust its truths, and you will not submit to its commands.

Our doctrinal confession on Scriptures from the 1963 *Baptist Faith and Message* states: “*The Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is the record of Gods revelation of Himself to man. It is a perfect treasure of divine instruction. It has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture of error, for its matter. It reveals the principles by which God judges us; and therefore is, and will remain to the end of the world, the true center of Christian union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds, and religious opinions should be tried. The criterion by which the Bible is to be interpreted is Jesus Christ.*”

An unknown writer said of the Bible, “*This Book is the mind of God, the state of man, the way of salvation, the doom of sinners, and the happiness of believers. Its doctrines are holy, its precepts are binding; its histories are true, and its decisions are immutable. Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe, practice it to be holy. It contains light to direct you, food to support you, and comfort to cheer you. It is the traveler’s map, the pilgrim’s staff, the pilot’s compass, the soldier’s sword, and the Christian’s character. Here paradise is restored, heaven opened, and the gates of hell disclosed. Christ is its grand subject, our good its design, and the glory of God its end. It should fill the memory, rule the heart, and guide the feet. Read it slowly, frequently, prayerfully. It is a mine of wealth, a paradise of glory, and a river of pleasure. Follow its precepts and it will lead you to Calvary, to the empty tomb, to a resurrected life in Christ; yes, to glory itself, for eternity*” (found at [sermonillustrations.com](http://sermonillustrations.com)).

Let’s consider some Scripture passages that confirm the importance of God’s Word for our lives. King David declared: “*The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple. The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light to the eyes. The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever. The decrees of the LORD are firm, and all of them are righteous. They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb. By them your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward*” (Ps 19:7-11). God spoke these words through the Prophet Isaiah: “*As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and*

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# MARCH

## NURSERY SCHEDULE

### 8:30 am Service

Hostess: Angie Leary

- 1 – Jennifer Brown & Beverly Lovingood
- 8 – Peggy Creech & Angie Leary
- 15 – Debbie Morris & Melissa Story
- 22 – Dianne Wind & Angie Leary

### 11:00 am Service

Hostess: Jane Walker

- 1– Jeff & Jennie Gaskell
- 8 – Jane Walker
- 15 – Roxanna Barker
- 22 – Liz Burge
- 29 – Jennifer Brown & Jane Walker



## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

### 8:30 am Service

- 1 – Matt Treppel
- 8 – Melinda Latta
- 15 – Molly Painter
- 22 – Melissa Story

### 11:00 am Service

- 1 – Tina Stanley
- 8 - Julie Pinkston
- 15 – Sue King
- 22 – Jeff & Jennie Gaskell
- 29 – Lisa Jones



## WELCOME TEAM

### 8:30 am Service

- 1 – Ben & Beth Yarborough
- 8 – George Pinkston & Sherri Broom
- 15 –Peggy Creech & Donna Flattery
- 22 – Young Adults

### Sunday School

- 1 – Tommy Tucker
- 8 – Lee Latta
- 15 – Need Volunteer
- 22 – Brian Dew
- 29 – Marie Underwood

### 11:00 am Service

- 1 – Margie Underwood & Bernie Mitchell
- 8 – Barbara Bigley & Carolyn Mahon
- 15 – Mike Sanford & Jane Walker
- 22 – Special Disciples Sunday School Class
- 29 – Inez Malloch & Frances Ray



## TELLERS

Lenita Griffin & Debbie Buckingham



## Sunday Morning Worship & Sunday School

8:30 Contemporary Worship Service

9:45 Sunday School

11:00 Traditional Worship Service



Whichever time or style you prefer, come with hearts prepared to worship. Bring your Bibles and plan to spend time studying and discussing God's Word during the Sunday School hour. We offer classes for all age groups



## Nursery

During our worship services, the church provides a nursery for children 0-5 years old. Located on the first floor of the Education Building just behind the sanctuary.



## Children's Church

Following the time of offering during both worship services, all children in K – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grades are invited to join our children's leaders in the foyer to be led over to the second floor of the Education Building for a special time of worship and activities.



## Welcome Team Volunteers

We would like to extend the opportunity for additional people to serve as Greeters & Ushers. If you would like to be a part of the rotation on Sundays, please contact the church office.



## Prayer Time

Everyone is encouraged to join the pastor every Tuesday morning at 8:30 am in the church library to pray for our church and community.



## Children's Choir

All children ages 4 and up are invited to be a part of the Children's Choir. The children will be rehearsing each Sunday at 9:30 am in the Sanctuary.



## Combined Service

We will have a Combined Service on Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, with a Chili Challenge Lunch and Operation Fire Drill after.



March 4 – J.T. and Susan DiMauro

March 16 – Jim & Dianne Wind

# Lent



## Palm Sunday – March 29

8 am – Baptist Men's Breakfast

9:45 Sunday School

11 am – Combined Worship Service

12:02 Chili Cook-off with Fire Safety Seminar

## Good Friday – April 3

6 pm - Good Friday Service

## Easter – April 5

6:30 am – Sunrise Service at Boardwalk

8:30 am – Contemporary Worship Service

9:45 am – Sunday School

11 am – Traditional Worship Service



## Be More Bible Study

Monday's at 6:30 PM in the Bost Fellowship hall we journey with Beth Moore studying "Children of the Day", 1&2 Thessalonians. "You are all children of the light and children of the day. We do not belong to the night or to the darkness". 1 Thess. 5:5 Shine brightly as you carry the Spirit of God today! For more information you can call Shirley James at 233-2829.

## Wednesday Night Bible Study



Everyone is invited to join us on Wednesdays at 6 pm for our Bible study. In Culture Shock, bestselling author, pastor, and radio personality Chip Ingram teaches believers how to use the Bible to bring understanding to the most controversial and divisive issues of our day. Covering topics such as right and wrong, sex, homosexuality, abortion, politics, and the environment, Culture Shock is every engaged believer's must-have guidebook to replacing reactionary hate with revolutionary love. An accompanying book and study guide for the study are available for purchase (but not required).



## Baptist Men

All men are invited to join us for our breakfast meetings/mission projects. Our next Breakfast is on Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> at 8 am. For more information, or to recommend possible mission projects, please contact Ben Yarborough, (398-8023).



## Deacon Training Seminar

All active Deacons are invited to participate in a Deacon Training Seminar on Friday, Mar. 27 (7-9 pm) and Saturday, Mar 28 (9 am to noon).



## Ladies of All Ages – Come Join the WMU

All women are invited to come out to the church on the second Monday of each month to 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 on February 9 with 15 members and one visitor, Sherry Broom, present. We welcomed Sherry to our meeting.

We are continuing to investigate the purchase of some type of animal for those in need overseas. Polly will bring this report next month. Plans are continuing for our Spring Fling on April 25 with Alicia Porterfield as our guest speaker. At various times we will be providing refreshments for the AA group that meets on Sunday nights at the church. We will also investigate whether there is a need for refreshments for the NA group that has just begun meeting.

Marj Colman presented an interesting program concerning ministry to HIV/AIDS patients. Marj also gave a report on the work that the Help Center is doing. We are happy that we are a part of this ministry in our community.

We collected a large amount of pancake mix and mayonnaise for the Help Center. Lori served delicious refreshments.

Next month Inez will bring the program with Polly as the hostess.

Margie Underwood, WMU Director



## B-I-N-G-O!!!

Mark your calendars on Friday, March 13 from 7-9 pm for a fun family night of Bingo. Refreshments, prizes and FUN for all ages. Contact Jennie Gaskell at 910 409 1600 for more information.



I want to thank the church for supporting me financially and prayerfully in the ministry of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. I am very humbled and appreciative of the church as a whole investing in God's work here locally. I am truly blessed and grateful.  
Thank you - Matt Treppel