

LITTLETON BAPTIST NEWS

A Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Congregation

"Our mission is to make Christ known, by providing spiritual nourishment, ministering to physical needs, and sharing the Gospel."

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PASTOR'S PARAGRAPH

As August begins, so do many other things. School starts back for our students. Hopefully this year is a normal year for them. August is also the month where we as a church begin making decisions on leadership for the upcoming church year. All in all a very busy month in the life of our church. As we begin this month, and committees get together I ask you to pray on where God is leading you to serve our church. If this past year has taught us anything it is that we need each other desperately. Our community needs the church. So we ask you to pray on how you can serve our church so that we as a church can better serve our community. It takes all of us, and yes that includes you! So where will you be serving this year?

As far as worship goes this month, we will be looking at many different things. The first Sunday we will be looking at the importance of fellowship. Fellowship is one of the biggest things that we have missed over the past year. It is time to rebuild the bonds and build new bonds. It has been great seeing everyone back in worship, and it will be great as we join together again in fellowship.

The second week of August, we will be asking ourselves what is the Ark of the Covenant? Where did it go? Why is it so important? All good questions, so join us as we look into it. The next week we will be asking the question what's next? All of us receive a calling from God, but sometimes it is hard to understand it. It is hard to figure out what to do with that calling. So let's join together and figure it out as one body.

The third week of August we will be focusing on missions and how we can better serve our community and not turn away from the problems that are surrounding us. Then the final week we will be looking at ourselves being created in the image of God. All of us are creative in some ways, so let's come together and figure out how we can use that creativeness for the glory of God.

I hope you will join us together in worship and in fellowship. It is going to be a great month for us at Littleton Baptist Church. I look forward to continuing to serve alongside of you in this journey. Let us pray together where God is leading us into the future and where you can serve.

Grace and peace,

David



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8:30 Outdr Wrld 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship	2 8:00 Exercise	3	4 8:00 Exercise No Adult Choir or Prayer & Bible Study	5	6 8:00 Exercise	7
8 8:30 Outdr Wrld 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship	9 8:00 Exercise	10	11 8:00 Exercise 6:15 Adult Choir 7:00 Prayer & Bible Study	12	13 8:00 Exercise	14
15 8:30 Outdr Wrld 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship 12:00 Deacons Mtg 6:00 Ice Cream Social	16 8:00 Exercise	17	18 8:00 Exercise 6:15 Adult Choir 7:00 Prayer & Bible Study	19	20 8:00 Exercise	21
22 8:30 Outdr Wrld 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship 4:00 Youth	23 8:00 Exercise	25	26 8:00 Exercise 6:15 Adult Choir 7:00 Prayer & Bible Study	27	28 8:00 Exercise	29
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I am so happy to write this newsletter! In the first time in 16 months I can say that Choir Rehearsals are starting up once more! It has been a long 16 months! I just hope my body remembers what to do on Wednesday nights! We would love to have you join us! We will be starting rehearsals on August 11th at 6:15 instead of 6:30. By doing it this way Pastor David can start Bible Study at 7:00. If you have been thinking about joining us....now would be the perfect time since we will all be a little "rusty!"

I want to thank Moria Underwood for sharing her talent with us on July 25th! Mary Beth Labreque and Jan Miller will be presenting the music specials on August 1st and August 8th! We are so blessed to have so much musical talent in our church and in our community!

I will be taking a much needed beach trip to Topsail during the week of August 1st! I might need another vacation when I get home since I'll have both grandchildren with me! I might be a tired Lolly but I will definitely be a happy Lolly!

Laura



Our Outdoor World Services continue each Sunday through Labor Day weekend at 8:30 A.M. Please pray for this ministry and find a way in which you can be involved. Speak, sing, promote, pray! All are important. For more information contact Mike Crawley.



DEACONS MEETING

Our Deacons will meet on Sunday, **August 15**, following Morning Worship in the church annex. Please pray for our deacons and their invaluable leadership to our church.



FROM THE
Pulpit

THIS MONTH IN WORSHIP

Join us for our Sunday Morning Worship.
If you can't be with us at church then join us
online for our Virtual Worship Service on
Facebook Live at 11:00 A.M.

August 1

We Are Family

1 Peter 4:7-11

August 8

The Lost Ark

2 Chronicles 35:1-6

August 15

What's Next?

Ephesians 4:1-6 (NRSV)

August 22

Comatose

Luke 10:25-37

August 29

God's Creative Image

Amos 4:13

We All Scream



for Ice Cream!

Our second Summer Ice Cream Social is scheduled for Sunday, **August 15**, at 6:00 P.M. Everyone is invited to attend with a hungry appetite, and if you can, please bring a freezer of home-made ice cream or snacks to complement the ice cream. Hope you will join us and bring a friend to share the wonderful Christian fellowship we will enjoy together!



NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee begins their work on the 2021 - 22 Officers and Teachers this month. You are asked to prayerfully consider your places of service and seek to discern God's way as you are contacted. If you have a particular interest or area of giftedness, contact a member of the committee and make them aware of that interest. Members of this committee include: Jimmy Kearney, Chairperson; Betty Blanton, Earl Spivey, Paula Burton & Mary Spivey. Ex-officio members include Melinda Harris, Mission Committee Chairperson & Mike Crawley, Sunday School Director.



DEACON NOMINATIONS

On Sunday, **August 1**, we'll be distributing the Resident Membership list so you can begin to prayerfully consider your deacon nominations for the coming year. On Sunday, **August 15**, the church will vote by secret ballot to nominate (3) individuals. The two (2) qualified individuals, as determined by the deacons, who are willing to serve, will be presented to the church as part of the Nominating Committee's slate of Officers and Committees report.



The Flower Committee just wants to say how much we love our congregation! We are so blessed. We are so glad we have the opportunity to get together and see people again!

If you would like to volunteer to place flowers in church in August, please let us know. All dates for August are available.

Feel free to contact a member of the Flower Committee by phone or email: Sandra Lynch - (252)578-3495, sandralynch337@gmail.com, Kay Beaver - (252)586-2014, dbeaver10@gmail.com or the church office - office@littletonbaptistchurch.org

Thanks again for all you do! Thank you for helping our sanctuary look even more beautiful!



Our church picnic is Sunday, September 5, at Sid and Betty Anne Shearin's restored farm on Bowers Road. If you have family or friends spending the holiday weekend with you, please bring them to the picnic also. There will be games like corn hole, ping pong, badminton, etc. and the Lego and bubble tables for children. You can fish in the ponds and/or walk the trail. The dinner bell will ring about 5:30 P.M. but come earlier so you can enjoy all the festivities! Master Chef David Tripp will have his grilling machine to cook the hot dogs and hamburgers. Bring your lawn chairs and join us for a great time of Christian Fellowship and food! It is a great way to end the summer season. Hope to see you there!!!

****Go south on Mosby Avenue and turn left at the Person's Ordinary Historic Marker. (It is Warren Road but the street sign is gone). Take the second right which is Bowers Road. Go approximately 6 miles. Their home is on the right, across the road from the intersection of Warren's Pond Road. Please call Sid or Betty Anne at 586-4607 if you need more information.**



During the past year and a half, have you cleaned out a closet, drawers or shed trying to stay busy while house bound? If so, now is the time to pass on those wonderful finds. The John 3:16 Center is having a yard sale Labor Day weekend. Pack those treasures up and bring them to the biggest sales event in Littleton. It will help the Center, friends, neighbors and you. You might even find a treasure or two to carry home. Your help will be needed to help set up the day before and monitor during the event. More information about drop off times and places will be coming soon. What a helpful way to get rid of stuff and visit with friends and neighbors.

Discussions have begun to plan how the Union Mission in Roanoke Rapids can be enhanced to make it more welcoming to the public. The chapel area is in need of a facelift. As plans are finalized, there may be a job for you - painting, cleaning out, rearranging, etc.

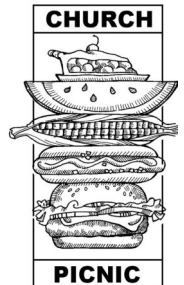
Thank you for all you do to help our church be the heart, hands and feet of our Lord and Savior.

LABOR DAY WEEK

We need your help!



Two events will resume in the life of our church: The Annual Yard Sale for the John 3:16 Center and the Church Picnic. If you can give just a few hours it will be appreciated very much: Thursday, **September 2** - Put up tents and tables at church. Friday, **September 3** - Display stuff. Saturday **September 4** - Yard Sale. Sunday afternoon **September 5** - Church Picnic set up. Thank you.



Youth will meet on **August 22** at 4:00 P.M. Please take note of the different time for this date. Bob and Amanda will be hosting us at their home on the lake. So bring clothes to go swimming and boating. It will be a great afternoon of fun as we prepare for this upcoming year. The rest of the month continue to be looking out for texts for other fun fellowship activities.



The John 3:16 Center is readying our community's kids for a new school year. They need school supplies. Donation boxes will be set up in area businesses and we will also have a box at church. The drive begins on **August 1** and ends on **August 22**. The supplies will be distributed to schools in Warren, Halifax and Northampton Counties.

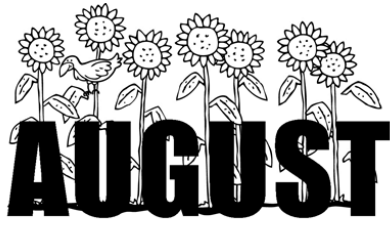
Suggested items to donate are:

Loose Leaf Paper (Wide Ruled)
#2 Pencils
Child Safe Scissors
Ink Pens (Black, Blue & Red)
USB drives for student use
Dry Erase Markers
Tab Dividers for Binders
Book Bags
Clorox Wipes
Hand Sanitizer with pump bottle

Yellow Highlighters
3 Ring Binders
Color Pencils
Crayons
Copy Paper
Card Stock Paper
3-Prong Pocket Folders
Zip Pocket Pouches
Paper Towels

Glue Sticks
Composition Notebooks
Index Cards
Spiral Notebooks
Construction Paper
Markers (Non-toxic)
Craft Items for Projects
Kleenex
Hand Soap
Ziploc Bags (Gallon & Quart)

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<u>HAPPY BIRTHDAY</u>	<u>HAPPY ANNIVERSARY</u>	<u>NURSERY WORKERS</u>
4 Eleanor Conner (10 yrs) 6 Jordan Kearney 9 Melinda Harris 9 Elin Conner (8 yrs) 11 Madison (Madi) Crawley 11 Kay Tripp 16 Addison Phillis (6 yrs) 17 Lily Coffman (6yrs) 20 Daniel Iles 20 Tom Tremper 21 Virginia Tant 25 Beverly Fussell	No Anniversaries	1 Melinda Harris/Carol West 8 Sara Council/Jan Myrick 15 Nichole Pitchford/Chris Skinner 22 Lynne Skilton/Jim Skilton 29 Paula Burton/Sandra Lynch
		<u>TRASH DETAIL</u>
		Jimmy Kearney