

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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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

PASTOR'S PARAGRAPH

It is hard to believe it is already 2022. The last couple of years I have tried to make predictions for how the new year will be. Well I guess the old saying is true, “If you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans.”

2021 was full of ups and downs for so many of our church members. It is hard to believe that the year is already over. But as the calendar turns the page and we see a new year, we are reminded of God’s promises. His promises are perfect and complete. He will never leave nor forsake. As Christmas has reminded us, he gives us hope, peace, joy and love.

So as we enter into this new year, no matter what else happens, let us hold on to that. And that is how we will begin the new year. We will look at the Biblical Year of Jubilee and how that pertains to us and how God never breaks his promises. We will also begin the new year as we do every year, by gathering at the Lord’s Table.

The rest of the month of January we will be focusing on prayer. For prayer is the lifeblood of Christians. We could all use a bit more prayer in our lives. We will spend four weeks looking at the A.C.T.S. model of prayer. As we go through each week we will look at prayer through: adoration, confession, thanksgiving, and supplication.

Each of these is a vital part of our prayer. So allow God to speak unto you as you pray. Allow him to guide you. And most importantly, pray. We look forward to a brand new year and we will see what 2022 has in store for Littleton Baptist Church.

Happy New Year!

Grace and Peace,

David



January 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship 12:00 Deacons Mtg	3 8:30 Exercise	4	5 8:30 Exercise 6:15 Adult Choir 7:00 Prayer & Bible Study	6	7 8:30 Exercise	8 10:00 Remove Christmas Deco- rations
9 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship 5:00 Youth	10 8:30 Exercise	11	12 8:30 Exercise 6:15 Adult Choir 7:00 Prayer & Bible Study	13	14 8:30 Exercise	15
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Our Christian sympathy is extended to

Pastor & Mrs. David Little in the death of his grandfather, Herbert Wayne Cannady

Al & Carol Spraker in the death of their sister-in-law, Sue Spraker

David & Kay Tripp in the death of her mother and Mabel Wilson in the death of her sister, Gladys Wilson



I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas! I want to thank the Adult Choir for their hard work on making our Christmas Cantata such a success! It had been 2 years since we had presented a Cantata. It brought so much joy to me to work with this talented group of singers!

Now, remember that it is never too late to come join us! We will begin working on our Easter Cantata this month! 2022 is the perfect time to make that resolution to come and sing with us!

I hope that 2022 brings you good health and happiness!

Happy New Year!

Laura



On Sunday, **January 2**, we will celebrate the Lord's Supper. At the conclusion of worship, you will be given opportunity to contribute to our church's Fellowship Fund for local benevolent needs.



Deacons will meet on Sunday, **January 2**, following Morning Worship. Please continue to 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 Services.

If you can't be with us at church then join us online for our Virtual Sunday Worship Service

on Facebook Live at 11:00 A.M.

JANUARY 2

Year of Jubilee

Numbers 23:19-20

Communion

JANUARY 9

Adoration.C.T.S.

1 Chronicles 29:10-12

JANUARY 16

A.Confession.T.S.

1 John 1:5-9

JANUARY 23

A.C.Thanksgiving.S.

Psalms 100

JANUARY 30

A.C.T.Supplication.

Philippians 4:4-7



Constitution Committee

The Constitution Committee will meet following Morning Worship on Sunday, **January 16**, to review the church constitution and discuss possible changes. The members of this committee are: Earl Spivey, Paula Burton, Mike Crawley, Chairperson; Sid Shearin, Betty Anne Shearin, Jimmy Kearney and Clyde Johnston.



Worship Leaders

Corporate Worship is a vital part of Christian life. It is where we come together as a body of Christ and worship as one. However, worship is not a spectator sport. You may have noticed our deacons are taking a more active role in our worship services. Beginning in January, we are inviting our entire congregation to take a more active role in our worship services, whether that be leading us in prayer, reading scripture or maybe even leading the children's moment. We would love to see more faces leading us in worship. If you feel called by God to participate in some way please let Pastor David know.



The Flower Committee wants to thank you for the beautiful poinsettias, helping decorate with the greenery, and your wonderful presence in making our worship services even more precious! God has been so generous to us. He gave us his most precious gift, his son! He also spoils us with fantastic pastors, family, and friends!

Also he has given us a glorious new year, 2022! We get to be together to worship! The flower list has been placed on the bulletin board. If there is a certain Sunday you want to place flowers in the sanctuary, feel free to select that Sunday while it is available. You also can contact a member of the Flower Committee by phone or email: Sandra Lynch, Chairperson - (252) 578-3495 or sandralynch337@gmail.com, Kay Beaver - (252) 586-2014 or dbeaver10@gmail.com. You can contact the church office by email: office@littletonbaptistchurch.org.

The following is the flower schedule for January:

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| January 2 - The Lord's Supper | January 16 - Available |
| January 9 - Available | January 23 - Available |
| January 30 - Available | |

Thank you again for being so faithful in helping the sanctuary look beautiful with your presence and wonderful flower arrangements! Have a wonderful New Year!



2022 A new year, a new beginning, a time to reflect and a time to grow. Happy New Year

As we start a new calendar, filling up the days with activities, meetings, appointments, birthdays and many special days, take time to keep God first in your life. We have so many wonderful blessings that are often overlooked as our days fill up with stuff. Take time to read your Bible and talk with God each day. Begin and end each day with God.

Everything else will fall into place.

The Mission Committee will meet on Sunday, **January 23**, following morning worship to begin discussing dates and plans for the Children's Carnival and Vacation Bible School. We are looking forward to having these events again. Children are so special and an important part of our lives. There is something special about a child's laugh and smile. I am looking forward to our church providing Christian fun and learning opportunities again. Please pray that we will be hosting these events. All of us will have a part to play in doing these mission opportunities. More information will be shared as plans are finalized.

Happy New Year!! May your year be filled with God's love and grace, healthy days and safe outings.



Dear LBC Family,

Thank you so much for our generous Christmas gifts. We are so blessed to have such a wonderful congregation. Each one of you mean so much to the both of us. We appreciate every single one of you and the hearts that you have to share Christ's love. We look forward to serving alongside of you in the coming year and seeing what adventures await in 2022.

Grace & Peace,
David & Sara



We have such an awesome, thoughtful & loving church family and we feel so blessed to be part of it. Thank you so much for the financial gifts presented to us for Christmas. Thank you also for offering such wonderful support with the many words of encouragement you share with us all through the year.

Many thanks!
Kay, Laura, Nick & Mike



Youth will meet **January 9** and **23** at 5:00 P.M. We will have dinner and Bible study.



On Sundays in which inclement weather renders it unsafe to conduct Worship Services, our deacons will contact you if our services will go full virtual.



On **January 8** at 10:00 AM we will be meeting to put away the Christmas decorations. But as we put them away let us hold onto the spirit of Christmas. Christmas may be over, but Jesus' light remains with us. The meaning of Christmas, God with us reigns true. So as we go back to the "ordinary beautiful" let us worship our King Jesus.

CHURCH MAINTENANCE IN 2021

With our aging church facilities, repairs are constant. The year started with then maintenance chairman Kent West finally finding someone who would repair the leaks in our church roof. Afterwards we were able to remove the 'hanging' radiators, repair one wall and get one side of the sanctuary painted. The ceiling in the Sunday School rooms, fellowship hall and kitchen were repaired and painted. The old light fixtures in the fellowship hall were replaced with LED lights.

Of course there are many more projects to be done in 2022 particularly with the Annex and we are planning to have some spring workdays. Everyone's help is needed to help repair Church buildings and grounds.

Everyone needs to thank the volunteer work crews who helped with the 2021 maintenance projects plus the non-maintenance jobs like building an access ramp for Sidney Gibson and getting the church ready for Christmas.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!!!

Sid Shearin, Maintenance Chairman

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<u>HAPPY BIRTHDAY</u>	<u>HAPPY ANNIVERSARY</u>	<u>GARBAGE DETAIL</u>
16 Bryant Pitchford 17 Barbara Topping 17 Daniel West 20 Brenda Holloman 24 Mike Conner 25 Jack Mathieson 26 Betty Ann Shearin 28 Sandra Felts	22 Tony & Pam Morris (34 yrs)	Thad Harris