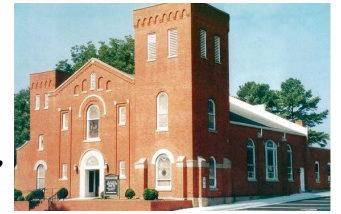


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PASTOR'S PARAGRAPH

It is hard to believe that it is already July. We have officially passed the halfway point through 2022. How is everyone holding up? It's important that sometimes we stop. Take a breath. And really ask ourselves how are we doing? And when we ask ourselves that, we need to be honest with ourselves. It's ok if half-way through a year we're not ok. Sometimes years hit differently than others. We all go through stuff that makes life hard.

So as we hit this halfway point, I think it's important that we all do that. Right now, before you continue on with the article. Do a self-reflection on how you are doing.

Now that you have come to terms with how you are doing, pray to God. Either thank him for the blessings for a good half of 2022 or pray for strength to help you through the rest of the year. Pray for comfort. Pray for peace. Pray for whatever you need.

But no matter how you are doing, understand that God is always with you. Through the good and the bad times. So as we continue through this year, allow him to speak into you those words of life. Allow him to give you exactly what you need. He is with you, walking beside of you. Lean on him and all of his understandings. And from here on, continue to take those moments of self-reflection. Continue talking to God about how you are truly doing.

So now that we have done that, let us look at worship through the month of July. This month we will be continuing our summer music series with Jeremy Camp. We start out with communion and understanding that without God we are just DEAD MEN WALKING. We then look towards the future and what Heaven will be like and understanding that THERE WILL BE A DAY when we can all join together with no more worries, no more tears, no more anxieties.

The third week of July IT'S MY BIRTHDAY! So on that day we will be looking at MY DESIRE and understanding how we should truly desire God in everything we do and follow the calling that he has placed on all of our hearts. The fourth week we will be looking at God's words as he speaks into us and how do we respond to him. For WHEN HE SPEAKS, we need to listen.

And finally! Whew 5 weeks in July. The fifth and final sermon in this series will be based on one of Jeremy's earliest songs. We will be looking at his testimony and how it shapes who he is and the trials that he has gone through. For everything he has gone through he STILL BELIEVES and has faith in the one true God. And when we go through those moments ourselves, we must STILL BELIEVE.

Let us go through this month and hold dear to the words of God. Let us hold dear to his understanding and have faith. For it is only through him that we can truly be at peace. 2022 is halfway over. What are you going to do with the rest of the year now?

Grace and Peace,

David



July 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Happy 4th of July to you! This was one of Mama's favorite holidays! She loved her country so much. We even gave out little flags at Mama's service to remind people of how much she loved America!

She also loved Patriotic music! There were many times I'd go to the house and Patriotic songs would be blaring through the house! Both Mama and Daddy had difficulty hearing and the music could be extremely loud! I would try and talk over the music but most of the time I just sat there with them and listened to it, too!

The choir is taking a much needed break during July. I have several soloists coming in and Pastor David has a Praise Team coming in to bring our specials on the Sundays in July! Please make that extra effort to attend so that those bringing the special music will feel appreciated! I know that I appreciate them!

Final note....I survived Bible School! I had a great time leading the music especially when I had such a talented group of children! Thank you Nick Coffman for helping me!

Laura

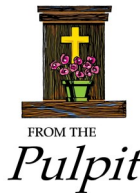


DEACONS MEETING

Deacons will not meet in July. The next meeting will be on Sunday, **August 7**, immediately following Morning Worship.



The youth will not meet regularly on Sunday nights during the month of July, but keep an eye out over text and e-mails. There will be plenty of times for our youth group to participate in some great fellowship activities throughout this month.



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.

JULY 3

Dead Man Walking

Acts 9:1-9

Communion

JULY 10

There Will Be A Day

Revelation 21:1-4

JULY 17

My Desire

1 John 2:15-17

JULY 24

When You Speak

Mark 4:35-41

JULY 31

I Still Believe

Genesis 37:25-36



There will be no Adult Choir practice during the month of July. We will resume our regular schedule in August.



LORD'S SUPPER

On Sunday, July 3, we will celebrate the Lord's Supper during the Morning Worship. It is a special privilege God gives to us as believers to faithfully remember the sacrifice our Lord Jesus Christ made for each of us. Additionally, you will be given the opportunity to contribute to our church Fellowship Fund for local benevolence.



Prayers for Leadership Selection

Though decisions are still more than a month away, it's not too early for each of us to begin to pray. During the month of August our Nominating Committee will be working together to nominate officers and teachers for the new church year. Please be in prayer about these decisions as we seek to discern God's way in these matters.



Outdoor World

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.



Ice Cream Social

We had a great time at our first Ice Cream Social this year. We had awesome fellowship, delicious ice cream and snacks. If you were not able to be there we hope you can join us for our second one. It is scheduled for Sunday, July 10, at 6:00 P.M. Everyone is invited to attend with a hungry appetite, and if you can, please bring a freezer of homemade ice cream or snacks to complement the ice cream. Bring a friend to join the Christian fellowship we will enjoy together!

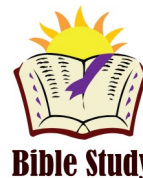


Hot days of summer. Take care of yourself first by drinking plenty of water or lemonade to stay hydrated. Take time for yourself and do something fun, exciting or different. Relax and enjoy this beautiful world. Now you can take care of others - family/friends/foreigners. Thank God each day for your many, many blessings that He has given to you. Push negative thoughts aside. Ask God to direct your steps and place you where you are needed. Be proactive and look for ways to share God's love. A smile, phone call, card or visit are a few ways to stay in touch with others. Stay safe, stay cool and enjoy each day the Lord has made.



PRAYER & BIBLE STUDY

There will be no Prayer & Bible Study during the month of July. We will resume meeting at 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday, August 3.



Bible Study



CHILDREN OF THE SON

We are so excited to welcome Children of the Son as they will be bringing our special during our July 24th worship service. Children of the Son is the youth praise band from First Baptist Church of Four Oaks where Pastor David previously served as youth pastor. They will be spending the weekend here as part of a youth retreat and being a part of our worship service. We are blessed to have them as they bring their talents in worshipping God.



Can't wait for the July fireworks! Let's make our own as we share God's blessings with others! We are so blessed with a beautiful world all around us.

July's Schedule is as follows:

July 3 - The Lord's Supper
July 10 - Earl and Mary Spivey
July 17 - Available
July 24 - Available
July 31 - Available

Don't forget about the flower sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the hallway at church. If you would like to place flowers in church, please contact a member of the Flower Committee by phone or email:

Sandra Lynch, (252) 578-3495 or sandralynch337@gmail.com,
Kay Beaver, (252) 586-2014 or dbeaver10@gmail.com.

You can also contact the church office by email: office@littletonbaptistchurch.org. Let us know what you want placed in the bulletin.

We want to thank YOU for all your support. The flowers are beautiful; just like our wonderful people sending them. Have a wonderful July!



SAVE THE DATE!!!!

We are so excited! We have scheduled our 2022 Annual Church Picnic!

Mark your calendar now for our church picnic Sunday, September 3, 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.**

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<u>HAPPY BIRTHDAY</u>	<u>HAPPY ANNIVERSARY</u>	<u>GARBAGE DETAIL</u>
6 Jim Phillis 7 Eric Hockaday 10 Dorothy Morgan 13 Matthew Council 13 Clyde Johnston 14 Nichole Pitchford 17 David Little 20 Josh Hall 21 Collin Merritt (12 yrs) 22 Lee Myrick 24 Carol Spraker 25 Ethel Hale 25 Emily Conner (6 yrs) 28 Jimmy Kearney 29 JoAnn Barnard	10 Don & Kay Beaver (28 yrs) 14 Earl & Mary Spivey (15 yrs) 19 Sid & Betty Anne Shearin (42 yrs)	Bryant Pitchford