

# BUBBA'S CHURCH-WIDE

# BBQ

## SATURDAY

## Oct 12 ★ 2019

Serving from 5:30 to 6:30pm



## FUN ★ FOOD FELLOWSHIP

MENU: Bar-B-Q with roll • Cole Slaw & Baked Beans • Dessert • Coffee, Iced Tea, Lemonade

CHILD'S MENU: Bar-B-Q plate or Hot Dog & Chips • Dessert • Drink

Donations Appreciated • Sponsored by FOCUS Sunday School Department

BBQ proceeds will go to the Southwest VA Mission project & for Church facility improvements

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## Lloyd's Lines—Dr. Lloyd Braswell, Senior Pastor

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There are so many wonderful things happening in and around Chester Baptist Church. Recently, I began a series of sermons on the purposes of the church. On September 29<sup>th</sup> the focus was on Christian community. We looked at how Christian community happens as we first connect with God. Our bond with God brings us closer to one another and leads us to reach out and share the love of God with others.

As I reflect on our church I see how we do this on a regular basis. I would like to highlight some of the things that we were doing in September that demonstrates and strengthens our Christian community.

We resumed our **Wednesday night activities** with Bible study groups and activities for all ages.

We resumed our Companion Supper with a new name – **Community Fellowship Supper**. This is held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. We offer a meal for anyone in the church or community. It is always good food and great fellowship.

As children returned to school we also resumed our **backpack program** providing a bag of food for snacks and weekend meals for elementary age children. This year we have partnered with the Chesterfield food bank which assists us with some of the food that we provide.

On September 15<sup>th</sup> we had our **annual church picnic** at White Bank Park in Colonial Heights. It was a wonderful afternoon of eating, playing and having fun together. There was a great turn out and wonderful weather. I want to thank our deacon celebration team for all your hard work in planning and implementing this event.

**Chesterfest** was on September 28<sup>th</sup>. We opened up our parking lot and provided free parking. We also provided a shuttle to take people to and from ChesterFest. We passed out cold water and information about our church. Lots of people were really surprised at our level of hospitality and it was a lot of fun.

Also, on September 28<sup>th</sup> the deacons hosted a **Widow, Widower and Single Senior's Banquet**. This has become a really special annual event to show our love and appreciation for these wonderful members of our church. We had a catered meal followed by entertainment from Randy McConnell and Ann Totty.

September was a great month of fellowship – Bible Study (Wednesday nights & Sunday mornings), Meals (community fellowship meal, backpack program, church picnic, widow-widower banquet), and hospitality to the broader community (ChesterFest and community fellowship meal). It is wonderful to see and be a part of all of these various ministries.

As we have move into October we are gearing up for our **Annual Bubba's Barbecue** – sponsored by the FOCUS Department. We are also planning our second annual **Trunk or Treat**. Before you know it, it will be Thanksgiving, Advent and Christmas.

May we always seek to be faithful to do the things God has called us to do as individuals and as a church.

Peace,

Lloyd Braswell



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## ***Church Family Night– Every Wednesday***

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We invite you to join us each Wednesday from 6:00-7:00 p.m. for Bible study. We have programs for all ages—children, youth and beyond. We look forward to spending time with you each week! Everyone is welcome to join us! Call the church office for more information, 748-2939.



## ***October is Pastor Appreciation Month***

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October is Pastor Appreciation Month with October 13th being Pastor Appreciation Day. Please take a moment to let our Pastors know how much you appreciate their hard work and leadership as they guide our church.



*Pastor Appreciation*

*Thank you for your hard work, dedication and love!*

## ***A Word of Thanks***

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The Nominating Committee would like to express appreciation to all who have served as a church officer during this past church year (October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019), or who rotated off a committee after three years of service. A new Leadership Roster is available in various places around the facility, and we hope you will pick one up and utilize it. We look forward to future benefit from your contributions.



Bill Damon, Chairman

## ***Here's what's happening in CBC Youth!***

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**Wednesday, October 9, 6:00 p.m.:** Youth Group!

**Wednesday, October 16, 6:00 p.m.:** Youth Group!

**Wednesday, October 23, 6:00 p.m.:** Youth Group!

**No Youth Group on Wednesday, October 30-come to the Trunk or Treat!**

**Thursday, October 31, 5:45-7:00 p.m.:** Trunk or Treat! Youth are encouraged to volunteer! Come & help pass out candy or help pass out hotdogs!

**November 1-3:** CBFVA Fall Retreat at Camp Crossroads, Lowesville, VA

**Wednesday, November 6, 6:00 p.m.:** Filling stockings for Hopetree

We will be heading to Lucy Corr on **December 8<sup>th</sup>**, immediately after church! Mark your calendar to come and spread Christmas cheer to the residents at Lucy Corr!

Stay connected! Follow CBC Youth:

Instagram: @chesterbcyouth

Facebook: Chester Baptist Youth





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## Rusty's Rap Session

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### Who is Jesus?

So often we hear the question, "Who is Jesus?" Or we hear, "Who is Jesus to you?" Those questions have been posed from the moment in Bethlehem that the Christ Child was born. To be completely honest, there are few questions as important as this one; that is if Jesus really is the Only Way to have eternal life? I believe that is the truth, so my writing and everything that I do revolves around the fact that He is exactly who He said He was! In the Gospel of John 14:6, it is recorded that Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the life: no one comes to the Father but by me."

Jesus asked his disciples, "Who do you say that I am?" (Matthew 16:15). Simon Peter said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God." Jesus went on to tell Peter that God the Father had revealed this to him, and that he was blessed because of that revelation. One of the purposes that we have as believers is to reveal who Jesus truly is. If we are truly born again, the Father has revealed to us, just as He did to Peter, that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God.

We must ask ourselves, Who do we say that He is? Is He Savior? Is He Lord? Is He the Waymaker? Is he the peace that passes understanding? Is He the overcomer of death, hell and the grave? Is He the healer of hearts and bodies? Is He the mender of wounds? Is He a father to the fatherless? Is He the mediator that is always on our side? **I ASSERT TO YOU THAT HE IS ALL OF THOSE THINGS AND MORE.** Jesus Christ is the One sent by the Father to make up for all of our imperfections, no matter how bad they may be. That is who He is to me!

My obligation to Him, my responsibility as a Christian, is to live my life in such a manner that "who He truly is" is made plain and obvious in how I live my life. In that way, my manner of living, not simply what I say, truly reveals who Jesus is. Because what I do and how I live speaks so much louder and has so much more meaning than what I say. That's how it is for all of us.

We who call ourselves Christians, if we truly are saved, if we truly are his; are obligated to follow "The Way, The Truth and The Life". The reason for doing that is so as we follow Him, as "The Way" He will guide not only us, but will also help guide all of those in our sphere of influence toward the correct direction. As "The Truth" He will help us to separate truth from falsehood; we will not be easily deceived and we will not deceive others. As "The Life" He will make us the overcomers that we are called to be. As we are able to live overcoming lives, we gain the ability and we earn the right to be heard by others as they see that we live life as they do, but we have something different. We have hope when there seems to be no reason to hope. We have joy, even in the midst of sorrow. We know that God makes something out of nothing, so we are never at a loss. We may have evidence of nothing, but we have a real sense of having everything because we are not alone. The Maker of Everything, holds us in His hand and we are His. That is who He Is!

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## Celebration Corner

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### Wedding Anniversaries

- Bobby and Edye Parrish celebrate their 26th anniversary on October 2nd.
- Michael and Mechelle Stansfield celebrate their 16th anniversary on October 11th.
- Willie and Linda Puryear celebrate their 50th anniversary on October 11th.
- Angela and Matt Luna celebrate their 3rd anniversary on October 22nd.



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## **Bubba's Church-wide BBQ!!!!**

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Come and join the church for a delicious Bar-B-Que dinner on October 12th, 5:30-6:30 p.m. for fun, food, and fellowship! We will have Bar-B-Que, slaw, beans, dessert, and drinks. Donations appreciated! The proceeds will go towards the Southwest Virginia Mission Project and for church facility improvements. The dinner is sponsored by the FOCUS Sunday School Department.



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## **Save the date for a Fall Workday!**

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**Fall Workday, Saturday, November 2nd:** Our Fall semi-annual workday will be conducted on Saturday, November 2, 2019 from 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. or until our tasks are completed, whichever comes first. Come join us for fun, comradship, and participation in a number of tasks, which when completed, will make the church more functional and beautiful. Please meet in the Great Hall by 8:30 a.m. as coffee, water, soft drinks, and donuts will be available. Come and help even for a short time as all can contribute in some way to the care of our church. We will have a number of indoor and outdoor projects from which to choose. Looking forward to seeing you then. POC is Cary Allen, [caryallen5@aol.com](mailto:caryallen5@aol.com), 804-896-3069.



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## **Thank you**

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Dear Devoted Loving Congregation,

*And we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love and the one who remains in love remains in God, and God remains in Him. 1 John 4:16*

Our family is so grateful for all the love you and your congregation have so unselfishly shown to our brother, David! God's love truly reflects in you all!

Peggy & Buck Herring, Rebecca Lipchk, Katherin Vaden, Donna Winship, Ann Leveto, & Jim Herring



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## **Help us "Stock the Shop" for Lucy Corr**

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On Sunday, December 8th, the Youth will be opening up the "Christmas Shop" at Lucy Corr. Residents will be invited to "shop" for gifts for their friends and family members and have their selections wrapped and tagged, all free of charge!

The youth are excited about this opportunity to serve, but we need your help! As you begin your Christmas shopping, please consider picking up a few extra items to donate. We also need Christmas themed gift bags, tissue paper and boxes.

Some gift ideas:

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| -Candy   | -Neck ties                   | -Socks or slippers |
| -Lotions | -Puzzles & Puzzle Books      | -Mittens           |
| -Jewelry | -Children's toys and puzzles | -Throw blankets    |

Donation boxes will be set up in the foyer outside of the church office.

**Thank you for your part in making Christmas special for our friends and family at Lucy Corr!**



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## ***Thanksgiving Bags Needed***

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CCHASM assists less fortunate families with a Thanksgiving bagged meal. Their goal is to provide about 3000 families with a bag of non-perishable Thanksgiving food and a \$15.00 gift card (for a turkey). Each year Chester Baptist helps with this worthwhile project. Our goal is to provide **50** complete double-bagged meals to be here at CBC no later than **Sunday, October 27, 2019**. If you also wish to assist monetarily, to buy gift cards, clearly mark your donation with the word CCHASM, place in the offering plate.



### **A Complete Meal Package :**

**\$15 Gift Card (for a turkey)**

**1-40 oz can of sweet potatoes**

**1-13 oz box of mashed potatoes**

**1-14 oz can of cranberry sauce**

**2-15 oz cans of corn**

**2-15 oz cans of green vegetables**

**2- boxes of "Stove Top" (NO BAGS PLEASE)**

**2-cans or packages of gravy (NO GLASS JARS PLEASE)**

**1-box of hot chocolate**

**1-box of tea bags**

**1-box or bag of cookies**

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## ***Widows, Widowers, Single Seniors Banquet Highlights***

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## ***Way to go Dr. Denton!***

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The Rev. Dr. Donald D. Denton, VIPCare's respected counselor and Director of Assessments, Publications and Education, received the Charles C. Chewning Award from VIPCare's Board of Directors on September 24, 2019.





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## ***Operation Christmas Child***



We are collecting shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child! This is your chance to reach out and bless children around the world. Instruction sheets are in the Office Foyer, Sanctuary Foyer and Great Hall. Please turn in all boxes by Sunday, **November 10, 2019!!!** Please remember to include \$9.00 for shipping for each shoebox, mark the box for a boy or girl, the age group, and put 2 large rubber bands around the box. Please leave cash with Susan Meredith. Feel free to call the church office if you have any questions (748-2939). Thank you for participating in this amazing outreach opportunity to share the message of Jesus!

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## ***Sunday School is now called Bible Fellowship!***

Sunday School is now called Bible Fellowship! This name change helps to identify that classes on Sunday mornings are open to people of all ages, a time to study the Bible and to also have fellowship. Please make plans to join us for one of our Bible Fellowship classes on Sunday mornings.



Early Bird Bible Fellowship, 8:30 a.m.

Bible Fellowship Classes, 9:45 a.m.

Youth, Young Adult & Berea Bible Fellowship, 11:00 a.m.

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## ***Now and Then...***

Happy New Year! Yes, my calendar says October not January. No, I am not working in the retail world where Christmas starts along with the summer clearance sales. However, Rev. Herman Inge's 5 October 1955 message entitled "A New Year Begins" did catch my eye as he noted, "The opportunities that lie ahead are numerous and the work to be done is even greater." Bulletins of the 1950s give the secular celebration Halloween a passing mention, usually just a children's costume party on the last Sunday before the holiday. The real focus centered on spiritual revival and rededication, as well as emphasizing faithful stewardship in the beginning of a new fiscal year.



Rev. Inge led the work to construct our physical church without losing sight of the Christian fellowship that built our church family. He declared, "Life takes on new meaning when we dedicate ourselves to our church; and the spirit of giving with a free heart is certainly one of greatest importance in the forward march for His Kingdom." Approaching the church's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, he urged members to help meet financial goals in the building fund, but he also included some timely advice: "Let us resolve to love more...[to] pray and WORK every day to do our utmost to glorify Christ by our faithfulness and our dependability." [emphasis original]

So, in a month now overflowing with Halloween candy and pumpkins, ghosts and ghouls, and other things that go bump in the night, take a moment to reflect on our future goals for Chester Baptist Church in the upcoming year. Rev. Inge understood the fundamental importance of re-orienting our priorities along spiritual guidelines as he concluded, "We need to be reminded of the great love and devotion God has for us." More than sixty years later, we are still building our church family, practicing the faithful stewardship we hold in trust, and the open-hearted giving we received as a spiritual legacy to carry forward into a New Year.....now, just as they did then.....

In Christian Fellowship, Nancy Meager

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## ***Important Reminder from Finance***

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Reminder! If you use the church credit card please remember you **MUST** turn in the original receipts with the proper paperwork (requisition form) when you return the card to the office.



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## ***News from the Preschool***

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Thank you! Thank you! A BIG shout out to all the members and friends of Chester Baptist Church for all the much needed school supplies for Preschool! What a difference it made in our budget to not have to buy so much this year.

Pat yourselves on the back for a job well done! We received so many glue sticks, they might last another year and wow did those notebooks really help us out. This church and all the people in it are AMAZING! When a need arises you always step up and help out. I wish all of Chester know how special you are. Please continue to help us out by praying for all the parents and children who walk thru these doors. You are a witness to them each day by being there in spirit.



Mr. Mac has started our music sessions off with a BANG! It's more like an aerobics class. My sagging arms are tightening up already with all the movement he does! By springtime I will be ready for the "Red Carpet" awards. He has such an awesome way with the children and the teachers. We love him! Thanks again Mr. Mac for getting up early during your retirement and "making music" with us.

Once again Roberta has outdone herself with Bible stories for the children. She always has a fantastic story that she brings alive from the Bible. The twinkle in her eyes are so contagious that now I "blink" a lot hoping my eyes look like they are twinkling. We can't all be "stars" but we can all "twinkle."

Jewel has had so many new readers sign up this year. Who knew all the people at CBC could read? Lol. Can we have an "Amen?" Please come down and share your love of reading and looking at pictures with the Preschool Children. They love to meet new people, and they will always remember you. We have a lot of voices at church that need to be heard and you are one of them. Thanks again for sharing your time with us.

Please join us on October 31st at 10:00 a.m. in the Great Hall for our Parade of Costumes. We only ask you to bring enough individually wrapped candy for 54 children. They will sing a few songs and walk around in the circle and "trick or treat" you. What fun for you and for them. Be a blessing to your preschool and come out and join us.

Once again, Cary Allen has come to our rescue. He and others are getting us a new "grown" up toilet in the Bed Baby room. Gee whiz, it doesn't take much to get all of us adults down here excited—it's only a toilet—but **wow**, the wonders it can do for us! It's our "WOW" factor down here.

Thanks to our Preschool Board who always supports us and gives our staff great ideas and suggestions for projects.

We have a fantastic team of teachers down here working with such wonderful, sweet children and their parents. This is going to be our best year ever!

May God continue to bless all of us by His Grace as we continue to reach out to all our families walking through His doors.

CBP Staff



## New in the Library



October means fall has arrived and it's a good time to read a book. Did you know we have Bible resources available in the church library? We have commentaries, atlases, concordances, dictionaries and more. We have added lots of new books for all ages. We invite you to come in and see what's new to check out. The library is located off the back parking lot entrance through the double doors. Come by the library for fellowship, coffee and chat.

### Library Hours

Sunday 9 a.m. -12 p.m.

Tuesday 11a.m.-1 p.m.

Wednesday 9:30 a.m. -1 p.m. & 6-7 p.m.

Thursday 11 a.m. -1 p.m. & 7-8 p.m.

### Adult

248.4/LUC *How Happiness Happens: Finding Lasting Joy in a World of Comparison, Disappointment, and Unmet Expectations* by Max Lucado

248.4/LUC *Irresistible Faith: Becoming the Kind of Christian the World Can't Resist* by Scott Sauls

261/83/PLA *Something Needs to Change: A Call to Make Your Life Count in a World of Urgent Need* by David Platt

362.29/VAN *On Pills and Needles: The Relentless Fight to Save My Son from Opioid Addiction* by Rick Van Warner

### New Fiction Author

F/DAN *Shadows of Hope* by Georgiana Daniels

F/FIS *On A Summer Tide* by Suzanne Woods Fisher

F/LEW *The Timepiece* by Beverly Lewis

### Juvenile

J248.83/PAR *Empowered: How God Shaped 11 Women's Lives (And Can Shape Yours Too)* by Catherine Parks

J248.83/PAR *Strong: How God Equipped 11 Ordinary Men with Extraordinary Power (And Can Do the Same For You)* by Catherine Parks



### Children

C231.6/WAR *God's Great Love For You* by Rick Warren

**Precious Blessings Series by Valerie Carpenter**

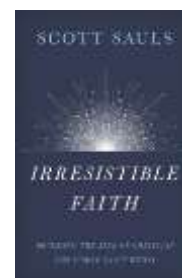
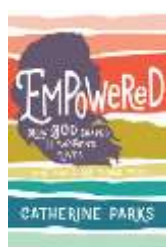
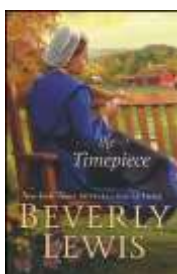
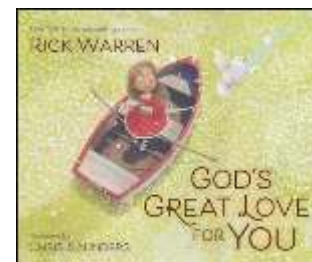
C220/CAR *What is the Bible?*

C231/CAR *Who is God?*

C248.3/CAR *What is Prayer?*

C248.3/CAR *What is Worship?*

C262.7/CAR *What is Church?*





# CHESTER BAPTIST CHURCH

# TRUNK-OR-TREAT

October 31, 2019 • 5:45-7:00 pm

CBC Front Parking Lot

Decorate your car trunk &  
pass out candy!

Hotdogs & chips provided!

Not able to make it but still want to  
help?

Drop off candy donations in the  
church foyer.

# Weekly at CBC



## Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. Early Bird Bible Fellowship  
 9:00 a.m. Media Library Open  
 9:45 a.m. Bible Fellowship  
 (including Children)  
 9:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service (Great Hall)  
 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service (Sanctuary)  
 11:00 a.m. Bible Fellowship for Youth, College & Career, and Berea

## Tuesday

- 8:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Time  
 11:00 a.m. Media Library Open  
 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study (Sept.-May)

## Wednesday

- 6:00 p.m. Media Library Open (Sept.- May)  
 6:00 p.m. Activities for all ages (Sept.- May)  
 Children's Activities (Nursery-5th Grade)  
 Youth Group (Grades 6-12)  
 Prayer Meeting  
 Ladies' Bible Study  
 Media Library Open

## Thursday

- 9:30 a.m. Media Library Open (Sept.-May)  
 7:00 p.m. Media Library Open  
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

## Monday-Thursday

- 9:30 a.m. Chester Baptist Preschool

For an accurate and complete list of all scheduled activities, please access the church calendar at the following website:

<http://chesterbaptist.mhsoftware.com>

## **October**

- 1 Morris Cumbie, Brandon Hester, Crystal Williams
- 3 Becca Meager
- 4 Michael Benton, Katie Moore
- 5 Shirley Wright
- 8 Cary Allen, Michael King, Brenda Stargardt, Dawn Thompson
- 9 Cindy Riveland
- 10 Anne Braswell, Megan Parrish, Mildred Ramey
- 11 Lester Abbott
- 13 Carolyn Parrish
- 15 Wayne Estes
- 16 Amber Orr, Lou Swindell, Chrissie Waddill
- 17 Nancy Edwards, Sherry Self
- 18 Cassie Ellis, David Martin
- 19 Eve Woodfin
- 20 Kipp Cole, Hannah Rinker
- 21 Roger Bass, Robert Bowles
- 22 Brandon Self
- 23 Curtis Reeves
- 24 Charles Chitwood, Edye Parrish, Stoggie Schwank
- 26 Pat Bennett, Barry Brockwell, Scott Fitzgerald, Randy Miller, John Waddill Jr.
- 27 Will Brockwell, Jessica Couchman
- 29 Chris Boquist, Alyssa Palmer
- 30 Logan McCabe

## **Building Lock-up Schedule**

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|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Gary Lilley     | Sept. 29-Oct. 5       |
| Mike Williams   | October 6-12          |
| Michael King    | October 13-19         |
| Bill Damon      | October 20-26         |
| Ashley Williams | October 27-November 2 |



Dr. Lloyd Braswell, Senior Pastor  
 Randy McConnell, Minister of Music and Worship  
 Rev. Rusty Peaks, Contemporary Worship Leader  
 Edye Parrish, Church Secretary  
 Susan Meredith, Financial Administrator  
 Ellen Sapko, Pianist





Sunday Child Care  
During Worship Services

DEACONS  
For the Week of

Deacons

Pam King    Kendall Bozarth    Judy Morris    Gayle Fitzgerald	<u>October 6</u>	Sue Hart	Michael King Hannah Alexander	<u>October 6</u>	748-6850 715-7234
	<u>October 13</u>	Robert Wray	David Williams Verta Blake	<u>October 13</u>	922-6229 590-1290
	<u>October 20</u>		Greg Gwaltney Susan Meredith	<u>October 20</u>	590-0056 530-3084
	<u>October 27</u>		Steve Hornberger Nina Greene	<u>October 27</u>	717-5328 704-2087
			<b>Deacon Chairperson:</b> Michael King	748-6850	



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**Our mission is to create devoted followers  
of Jesus Christ.**

*Each Sunday see calendar for possible changes:*

Morning Worship Contemporary (Great Hall) 9:45 AM  
Traditional (Sanctuary) 11:00 AM

Sunday School 8:30 AM, 9:45 AM, 11:00 AM