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Transforming God's Vision Into Action*



FROM THE PASTOR

We welcome Alison F. Wright as our new Director of Children's Ministry. Alison was presented as the candidate for the position by the Search Committee on Sunday, September 8th, at a called Business Meeting. She was approved and will begin her ministry on Sunday, September 15th. This is a part-time position and she will be announcing her office hours soon. We believe that Alison's gifts and abilities, as well as her enthusiasm and commitment, will be of great benefit to our children's programs and activities. I encourage you to get to know Alison and her husband Mason in the coming weeks, and please keep this ministry in your prayers.

A little information and publicity for upcoming events...

Six men, including myself, will be in Nada, Kentucky from September 15th-20th on a construction mission trip. We have been given several projects to try and complete that were started by other mission teams during the summer. We will be working on a handicap ramp, installing windows and doors, fixing sheetrock, leaky roofs, and painting, among others. As always, the key to any mission trip is flexibility. The men going on the trip (with the possible exception of myself) are skilled in construction projects, and I'm sure the time spent in Nada will be a tremendous help to our friends there.

The 131st Annual Meeting of the Shenandoah Baptist Association will be held at our church on Tuesday, October 8th. The theme is "Abiding in His Presence." There will be a time of fellowship and refreshments beginning at 6:00pm in the Lower Auditorium. The meeting will begin at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary. There will be two speakers from the Virginia Baptist Mission Board. John Chandler will talk about how to be a listening-based leader and Randy Ashcraft will talk about pastoral care of the ministerial staff and pastoral health. Our church will be providing special music. As we are hosting this year's meeting, I encourage you to come and be a part of this special evening.

I also encourage you to take advantage of the other services and studies this Fall, including the "Blessing of the Animals" service, the "Resolving Everyday Conflict" study, the Thursday morning study "People of Faith," as well as the Wednesday night activities. Use these opportunities to strengthen your relationship with God through Christ.

George Fletcher

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- ⇒ Wednesday Night activities resume this week!
- ⇒ October calendar and birthdays
- ⇒ Introducing Alison Wright - Director of Children's Ministry

Check Out Our Website

www.firstbaptistwinchester.com

We continue to work at building an interesting and helpful church website. If you have any suggestions for additional material please let us know. The Tie and the Church Calendar are now available online from the News page. Audio files of the previous Sunday's Worship Services are now available online from the Worship page.

ATTENDANCE				CONTRIBUTIONS						
DATE:	8:30AM	11:00AM	TOTAL	NEEDED WEEKLY	RECEIVED TODAY	NEEDED TO DATE	RECEIVED TO DATE	BUDGET OVER(UNDER)	RESTRICTED GIVING	RESTRICTED TO DATE
AUG 18	58	177	235	\$ 12,096	\$9,319	\$399,168	\$378,292	\$ (20,875)	\$ 937	\$39,096
AUG 25	77	172	249	\$ 12,096	\$22,065	\$411,264	\$400,657	\$ (10,907)	\$ 845	\$39,941
SEPT 1	67	152	219	\$ 12,096	\$10,299	\$423,360	\$410,656	\$ (12,704)	\$1,533	\$41,474
SEPT 8	62	168	230	\$ 12,096	\$10,858	\$435,456	\$421,515	\$ (13,941)	\$1,500	\$42,974



Program Directors and Committee Chairs:

If you have questions or concerns about the budget, please contact the Stewardship and Finance Committee Chair, Peter Labrecque at (540) 667-3625 or plabrecq169@aol.com

2014 Budget Process Schedule

- Sept. 5 - Oct. 26 Stew & Fin drafts budget
- Oct. 27 Proposed budget copies available in each narthex
- Nov. 6 Proposed Budget Discussion
- Nov. 20 4th Quarter Business Meeting and Budget Vote

A short note to thank all in your church who were so nice at my brother's funeral. My family and I were really impressed with their hospitality and kindness.

Sincerely,
James L. Gates

Only those who will risk going too far can possibly find out how far one can go.
— T.S. Eliot

Bible Friends Schedule

Volunteers for the 11:00 am service for the coming Sundays are:

- Sept 15 Heather Wilson - Gretchen Kaderli
- Sept 22 Dawn Greene - Holly Nightingale
- Sept 29 Lynne Esslinger - Laura Beavers
- Oct 6 JoAnne Long - Tracy Howard

Nursery Volunteers

Volunteers for the 11:00 am service for the coming Sundays are:



- Sept 15 Bobby Bragg
- Sept 22 Wanda Diehl
- Sept 29 Stephanie Duvall
- Oct 6 Linda Fletcher

Children's Story Time Speakers

Volunteers for the coming Sundays are:

- Sept 15 Laine Everhart
- Sept 22 Mattie Fries
- Sept 29 John Beavers
- Oct 6 Patsy Stainback



Heartfelt sympathy goes out to **Bill Rhodes** and family, whose brother, **Don Rhodes**, died August 23; and to **Mandy Simons** and family, whose grandmother, **Sue Arthur**, died August 25; and to **Jake Vickers** and family, whose mother, **Dorothy Vickers**, died August 27.



Make a note:
Daylight Saving Time ends November 3rd this year

Tour! Taste! Dream!

Quota International of Winchester
Presents

13th Annual Kitchen Kapers Tour
Five Fabulous Designer Kitchens
Sunday, September 15, 2013
12 P.M. to 4 P.M.

CONNOISSEUR SPONSOR

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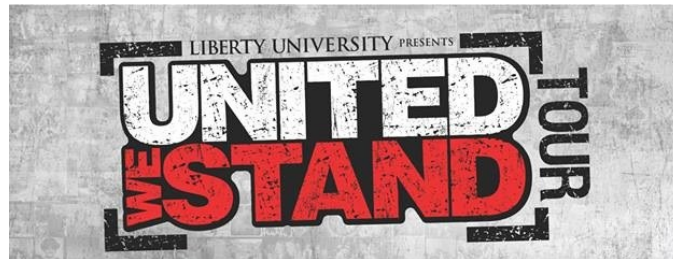
Connected for Life

Tickets: \$20 in advance; \$25 at door
Portion of proceeds to benefit
Healthy Families
Northern Shenandoah Valley

Ticket Locations:

Daily Grind on Jubal Early
or online at www.quotaofwinchester.org

For more information call Linda @ 540.662.3955
www.quotaofwinchester.org



BUILDING 429 & THE AFTERS



HAWK NELSON AND FINDING FAVOUR

Sunday, September 29, 2013 @ 7pm

Patsy Cline Theatre - Handley HS Winchester

A benefit concert for the JHHS Fellowship of Christian Athletes

General Admission \$20 / \$15

Tickets Available on iTickets

Brought to you by Jay Smith & Sean Dudley / Edward Jones
Catch and Unleash Productions, Inc. LLC

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it's about **TIME** Romans 13:11-12 (CEV)



EMPHASIS DATES:
September 8-15, 2013

OFFERING GOAL:
\$1,167,500

Alma Hunt
Offering for Virginia Missions

This year's theme for the Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions is taken from Romans 13:11-12 "It is time to wake up and be ready to live in the light." This is where Paul reminds the people of Rome to be aware of what is going on around them, to stop behaving in dark, selfish ways and to wake up and live in the light of God's love.

The goal for this year's offering for First Baptist is \$2,000. Envelopes will be available in both narthexes through September.

Find out more at
www.almahunt.org



WATTS Part Time Positions

Winchester Area Temporary Thermal Shelter has openings for Overnight Manager positions for the 11/25/2013 - 3/31/2014 season. Current, valid drivers license and reliable transportation to and from work required. Experience working with homeless adults and emergency response experience desired but not required. Background check will be required. Send resume and cover letter to mfs@oflinc.com. NO phone calls.

Daylight Saving Time Defined

Daylight saving time (DST)— is the practice of advancing clocks during the lighter months so that evenings have more daylight and mornings have less. Typically clocks are adjusted forward one hour near the start of spring and are adjusted backward in autumn.

{youth} UPDATE

September/October 2013

Mark Your Calendar

{SUNDAYS}
Pneuma

{WEDNESDAYS
beginning 9.11}
Youth Group Resumes!

{9.15}
Youth Council Meeting

{9.21}
Awakening Fest

{9.22}
Parent Lunch and
Planning Meeting

{10.6}
Blessing of the Animals

{10.13}
Hiking Trip

RSVP/sign up

*Please RSVP for our Parent
Lunch by September 15th.*

Upcoming Events {What You Need to Know}

Pneuma: High Schoolers and young adults are invited to attend a Bible study on Sunday evenings called Pneuma (*Spirit*). We meet from 5-6pm in the 301 House where we talk about our questions, doubts, and struggles, and find out what the Bible says together!

Youth Group: All youth are invited to join us for youth group every Wednesday night starting September 11th! We will share a meal at 5:45 in the CEB and then join in Bible study, fellowship, and fun together from 6:30-7:30 in the 301 House.

Youth Council: Our first quarterly meeting will be on Sunday (September 15th) during Sunday school. This year's reps are: Simeon Kite, Olivia Bragg, Isaac Knittle, Abbey Esslinger, Kelly Boppe, Emily Jones, and Rebecca Lewis.

Awakening Fest: We will attend a Christian band festival in Middleburg on Saturday, September 21st. Cost is \$25. We will leave at 8:30am from the church parking lot and return by midnight.

Parent Lunch and Meeting: All youth parents are invited to share in a lunch prepared and served by your youth on September 22nd as we discuss our upcoming events and ways you can be involved! Please RSVP by **September 15th**.

Blessing of the Animals: Bring your pets to Hunting Ridge at 4:00pm on October 6th to thank God for these important members of our families!

Hiking Trip: We will be gathering right after church on **October 13th** to go hiking. Please bring a bagged lunch and money for dinner on the way home! Also bring your clothes and tennis shoes to change into!

Questions? / Contact

Rev. Kristin Adkins Whitesides

church: 540-662-5367

e-mail: kristin@firstbaptistwinchester.com

Medical Releases and Trip Covenants are available in the 301 House or on our website: www.firstbaptistwinchester.com/youth

Resolving Everyday Conflict

FBC is hosting an eight-lesson study that unpacks the amazing things the Bible has to say about conflict and relationships. As you go through this study, you will find the powerful and practical answers to forever change how conflict looks in your life. The study began on **Monday, September 9th, at 7:00pm** in the Lower Auditorium. Frank Briggs is the facilitator. The cost of the book is \$10. To register or for more information contact Frank Briggs at 540-336-0091.

Blessing of the Animals

A Blessing of the Animals service will be held on **Sunday, October 6th, at 4:00pm** at Hunting Ridge Retreat. This service will honor and thank God for the role of pets in our lives and will include a time of remembrance for pets that have died.

If you bring your pet, please remember to bring water and a cage or leash if needed. Contact the church office for more information.



Mark your calendars for a Family Game Night on **Friday, October 25th from 6:30-9:30pm** in the CEB! Women on Mission will host an evening of fun and fellowship for a good cause. We will have refreshments and games for all ages, so bring the entire family!

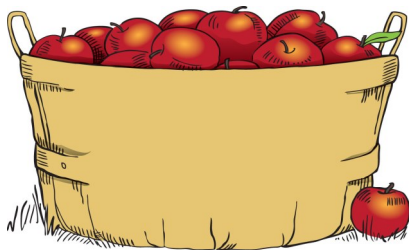
Game Night donations will go to a medical fund serving refugee women in Kampala, Uganda who are homeless or experiencing domestic violence. Most women arriving at the shelter have immediate medical needs that must be addressed before being admitted. Bring a favorite game and join us for a great evening!



October Birthdays



1 Arthur Belt	8 Katie Walker	20 Aspen Chapman
1 Michael Charest	9 Adam Braithwaite	20 Eva Gates
1 Sandy Dodson	9 Joanna McKee	20 Jonathan Gates
1 Betty Tarpy	9 Jeffrey Jones, Sr.	20 Matthew Isenhower
2 Danielle Hottel	10 Billy Kniceley	20 Carly Kaderli
3 Lee Boppe	10 Anna Simmons	21 Frank Briggs
3 Stan Jones	11 Aimee Hologate	22 Adam Rhodes
4 Nancy Simmons	12 Brayden Ball	22 Gavin Sluder
5 Barbara Neely	12 Lara Sherman	23 Stephen Moore
6 Larry Belkin	13 Gerri Knode	25 Sean Everhart
7 Doug Barnett	13 Hazel LeMaster	25 Kinley Duvall
7 Jeff Hylton	15 Tracy Adams	26 Hannah Bragg
7 Sara Kuykendall	15 Deloris Hines	26 Bonney Foglesong
8 Anthony Gates	15 Chuck Puglisi	26 Darby Connors
8 John Lewis	17 Maria Hylton	29 Jason Cooke
8 Kevin MacDermott	17 Marley Robertson	29 Amanda Losa
8 Wayne Mathias	18 Alex Clark	31 Randolph Boppe
	18 Jamie Fluelling	



Ageless Adventurer Trip Apple pickin' and lunch!

On Monday, Sept. 30, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. we will depart for a local orchard to pick our own apples. Then we will dine at the Butcher Block Buffet in Stephens City, Va. for lunch. We should be back at the church by 1:30p.m. Please wear safe walking shoes and come join us for a fun day in the Shenandoah Valley! Please call the church office to sign up at 662-5367.



Hunting Ridge Retreat Fall Guidelines



Wood Cutting Rules

Church members needing firewood can call HRR Director Brian Bayliss 662-9004, to request location and permission to cut wood. Please leave the ash trees at the Ridge in order to control the Asian Long-Horned Beetles or White-Spotted Sawyer Bugs at a central location.

The policy is to cut one load for the retreat for every two loads for yourself. Leave the HRR load at the wood pile in front of the tractor shed unless otherwise directed by Brian. Any questions can be addressed to Jim Christiansen 667-3873. Please take care when cutting wood at the Ridge.

Hunting at the Ridge

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) in the local deer population is being monitored by the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (DGIF) with the help of local hunters and the published programs listed in the newspapers and online. Check out www.cwd-info.org for additional information. Pick up a CWD handout at the Ridge before you hunt, at the store, or go online to www.dgif.virginia.gov. After obtaining the rules, permission and time to hunt at the Ridge, you may encounter or harvest a CWD deer. Do not be alarmed, but do not attempt to contact, disturb, or remove the animal. You should contact the Verona DGIF office (540) 248-9360, as well as, notify Director Brian Bayliss. Enjoy the outdoors, we will overcome this setback in time.



FBC Telephone Directory

Need an easy-to-reference electronic copy of the church telephone directory for your computer desktop? Email Kay at tie@firstbaptistwinchester.com and she'll be happy to email you the current version.



Miss Something?

Missing church no longer means missing out on the Worship Service. The services are now being recorded in .mp3 format which means they can be loaded to the website and available for listening at your convenience from your PC or smart phone. Simply click on the link, adjust your volume, and you are good to go!

www.firstbaptistwinchester.com/worship

Got Pneuma?

High Schoolers and young adults are invited to attend a Bible study on **Sunday evenings** called Pneuma (*Spirit*). We will meet from **5:00 - 6:00pm** in the 301 House where we talk about our questions, doubts, and struggles, and find out what the Bible says together! For more information please contact Kristin Whitesides or Stephen McCalley.

pneuma [noo-muh] *noun*

1. The vital spirit; the soul.
2. Theology. The Spirit of God; the Holy Ghost.






Origin:

1875-80; < Greek *pneuma* literally, breath, wind





OCTOBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<p>“Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me” (Matthew 25:40, NRSV). When we fail to serve our neighbors, we fail to serve Jesus. Yet when we feed the hungry, we’re actually feeding Jesus. When we visit the sick, we’re actually visiting Jesus. And when we love one another, we’re actually loving Jesus.</p>		<p>1 9:00 AM SLC (CEB) 9:30 AM Senior Handbell Choir (Sanc.) 11:00 AM Singin' Seniors (Sanc.) 11:30 AM Al-Anon (301) 7:00 PM AMC (CO) 7:30 PM Hispanic Bible Study (301)</p>	<p>2 9:00 AM SLC 5:45 PM Fellowship 6:15 PM Youth (301) 6:30 PM Adult 6:30 PM Preschool 7:30 PM Deacons</p>
<p>6 World Communion Sunday 8:00 AM Praise Chorus 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Bible Friends 11:00 AM Worship Service 2:30 PM Hispanic Service (CEB) 4:00 PM Blessing of the Animals (HRR) 5:00 PM Pneuma (301)</p> 	<p>7 9:00 AM SLC (CEB) Picture Day 7:00 PM Resolving Everyday Conflict (LA)</p>	<p>8 9:00 AM SLC (CEB) Picture Day 9:30 AM Senior Handbell Choir (Sanc.) 11:00 AM Singin' Seniors (Sanc.) 11:30 AM Al-Anon (301) 6:00 PM SBA Social (LA) 7:00 PM SBA Annual Meeting (Sanc.) 7:30 PM Hispanic Bible Study (301)</p> 	<p>9 9:00 AM SLC 5:45 PM Fellowship 6:15 PM Youth (301) 6:30 PM Adult 6:30 PM Preschool</p>
<p>13 8:00 AM Praise Chorus 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:30 AM 2nd Sunday Fellowship (LA) 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Bible Friends 11:00 AM Worship Service 12:15 PM Youth Hiking Trip 2:30 PM Hispanic Service (CEB) 5:00 PM Pneuma (301)</p> 	<p>14 Columbus Day 9:00 AM SLC (CEB) 6:30 PM SLC Committee (CEB) 7:00 PM FBC - WOM (CEB) 7:00 PM Resolving Everyday Conflict (LA)</p> 	<p>15 9:00 AM SLC (CEB) 9:30 AM Senior Handbell Choir (Sanc.) 11:00 AM Singin' Seniors (Sanc.) 11:30 AM Al-Anon (301) 7:00 PM HRR Committee (HRR) 7:30 PM Hispanic Bible Study (301)</p>	<p>16 9:00 AM SLC 5:00 PM Home 5:45 PM Fellowship 6:15 PM Youth (301) 6:30 PM Adult 6:30 PM Preschool 7:30 PM Planning 7:30 PM Stewardship tee (CO)</p>
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WEEKLY OCTOBER SCHEDULE 2013

Sunday

8:00 AM Praise Chorus
8:30 AM Worship Service
9:30 AM Church Library Opens
9:45 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
Nursery (1's - young 3's)
Bible Friends (older 3's - 1st Grade)
2:30 PM Hispanic Service
5:00 PM Pneuma (301)

Monday

9:00 AM SLC (CEB)

Tuesday

9:00 AM SLC (CEB)
9:30 AM Senior Handbell Choir (Sanc.)
11:00 AM Singin' Seniors (Sanc.)
11:30 AM Al-Anon (301)
7:00 PM Resolving Everyday Conflict (LA)
7:30 PM Hispanic Bible Study (301)

Wednesday

9:00 AM SLC (CEB)
5:45 PM Fellowship Dinner
6:15 PM Youth Fellowship
6:30 PM Adult Bible Study
6:30 PM Preschool Care

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Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>(CEB) Worship Dinner (CEB) Fellowship and Bible Study</p> <p>9:00 AM SLC (CEB) 10:00 AM Fall Bible Study (LA) 6:00 PM Handbells (Sanc.) 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.) 7:00 PM Hispanic Music Practice (CEB)</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9:00 AM SLC (CEB) 10:00 AM Fall Bible Study (LA) 6:00 PM Handbells (Sanc.) 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.) 7:00 PM Hispanic Music Practice (CEB)</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:00 AM SLC (CEB) 12:00 PM Al-Anon (301) 7:30 PM Hispanic Prayer Meeting (CEB) 8:00 PM Al-Anon (LA) 8:00 PM Al-Ateen (LA)</p>	<p>5</p>
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<p>(CEB) Worship Dinner Fellowship dy (301) t Bible Study (CEB) chool Care/Choristers ch Council (CEB)</p> 	<p>31</p> <p>9:00 AM SLC (CEB) 11:00 AM Annual Halloween Party (HRR) 6:00 PM Handbells (Sanc.) 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.) 7:00 PM Hispanic Music Practice (CEB)</p> 	<p>I have become convinced that the very contradictions in my life are in some way signs of God's mercy to me; if only because someone so complicated and so prone to confusion and self-defeat could hardly survive for long without special mercy.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">--Thomas Merton</p>	

Abbreviations in the Tie

<p>er (CEB) ip and Bible Study (301) dy (CEB) /Choristers</p> <p><u>Thursday</u> 9:00 AM SLC (CEB) 10:00 AM Fall Bible Study (LA) last day is Oct. 24 6:00 PM Handbells (Sanc.) 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.) 7:00 PM Hispanic Music Practice (CEB)</p> <p><u>Friday</u> 9:00 AM SLC (CEB) 12:00 PM Al-Anon (301) 7:30 PM Hispanic Prayer Meeting (CEB) 8:00 PM Al-Anon, Al-Ateen (LA)</p>	<p>AMC Admin. Management Com. 301 301 House CEB Children's Ed. Building CO Church Office HRR Hunting Ridge Retreat LA Lower Auditorium MBC Men's Bible Class Sanc. Sanctuary WOM Women on Mission SR Schoolage Room</p>
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A Little TLC from the SLC

What Did You Learn Today? (from Early Years)

A brand-new school year means brand-new things for your child to discover. When he brings home art work and papers, look them over together. Then, try mixing skills he's working on in class with activities he enjoys at home.

Sing a Song

Does your child's class sing songs about the weather or cleaning up? Ask him to teach you. Your family can sing a weather song during a walk around the block or a clean-up song while putting away toys. *Idea* - suggest that he make up new lyrics to match your family's activities ("This is the way we clear the table, clear the table...")



Play with Toys

Toys can build on what your youngster is learning. If he brings home pictures of farm animals, have him fill a shoebox "barn" with plastic cows, pigs, and horses. He can play with them while saying their names and the sounds they make. When his class does a transportation unit, let him use a bowl of water to make a pretend car wash for toy cars, trucks and buses.



Talk about it

Slip new ideas in as you do everyday tasks. If your child is learning left and right, use the words frequently ("We'll turn right at the corner"). Ask questions that will encourage him to use the words. ("Which hand are you drawing with? Your right hand or your left hand?") Or if he's learning about matter in science, you might tell him, "I froze the water. What is it now?" (ice)

A Little TLC from the SLC

A column for parents of young children, brought to you by the "Son" Shine Learning Center

I would like to thank the following men for all of their hard work on the playground used by the children of First Baptist Church and "Son" Shine Learning Center.

Greg Miller

Jim Hollinger

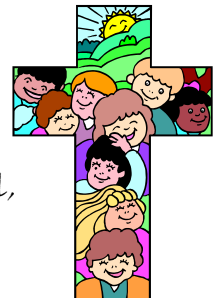
Jason Wilson

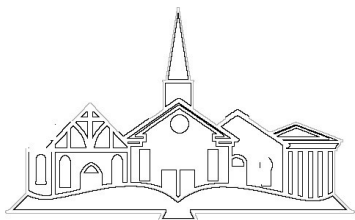
Lawton Saunders

Not only did these wonderful men save us money by reclaiming lost gravel, but they made the playground safe for the children for years to come.

Blessings,

The Children of First Baptist and "Son" Shine Learning Center





Annual SBA Meeting to be Held at FBC

The Shenandoah Baptist Association will hold its 131st Annual Meeting on **Tuesday, September 8th**, at First Baptist Winchester. The theme for the meeting is, "Abiding in His Presence." Fellowship and refreshments will begin at 6:00pm in the Lower Auditorium.

The meeting will be at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary. Guest speakers will be John Chandler and Randy Ashcraft from the Virginia Baptist Mission Board. You are invited to represent our church at this annual meeting.



Brothers & Sisters in Christ
Part of the Family of God

Wednesday Night Activities

Wednesday night activities resume with dinner and fellowship at 5:45pm in the CEB. Permanent reservations can be made by calling the Church Office or filling out a dinner reservation card and marking it "permanent." Then you only need to call the Church Office if you *cannot* come. If you expect your attendance to be irregular, please call the Church Office for a weekly reservation by the preceding Monday. Noon that day is the deadline!

ADULTS: \$5.00

YOUTH: \$4.00

CHILDREN UNDER 10: \$3.00

CHILDREN'S PLATE (IE., PB&J): \$2.00

MAXIMUM FAMILY TOTAL: \$15.00

Fellowship
Dinner



Youth Bible Study/Fellowship begins at 6:15pm in the 301 House. Adult Bible Study, and Preschool Care and Choristers begin at 6:30.

Please Join Us For Good Food & Fellowship



The Chancel Choir
has resumed rehearsals
On **Thursdays** at
7:00pm
in the Sanctuary.

They lead in Worship from September through June. Please join us!

Top 3 reasons to join the Chancel Choir

3. Whoever is preaching is almost always looking the other way.
2. You have a reserved seat for Christmas and Easter.

And the number 1 reason to join the Chancel Choir:

1. You never have to worry about what to wear!!

The Chancel Handbell Choir will resume on **Thursday, September 19th**, at 6:00pm in the balcony.

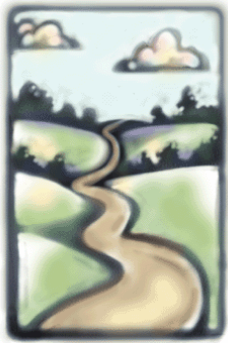


Handbells

Seniors' Rehearsals

The Senior Handbell Choir has rehearsals each Tuesday at 9:30am in the Sanctuary. The Singin' Seniors has rehearsals as well each Tuesday at 11:00am in the Sanctuary. They will stay after rehearsal and eat together. Please bring a bag lunch and plan to join them for fellowship.





Hunter's Retreat Theme Announced

Now that the summer is over, we can prepare for the fall activities. The plans are being made for the theme of this year's Hunter's Retreat. We will

be centered on the title of "Road to the Ridge" after Luke 24:13 - 35 or the story of the Road to Emmaus. What leads you to the Ridge? Each participant will gather items along the way to share with fellow hunters as we study God's word in walking with Jesus. Watch the Tie for upcoming insights into this year's theme and places to stop and pick up items for the retreat.

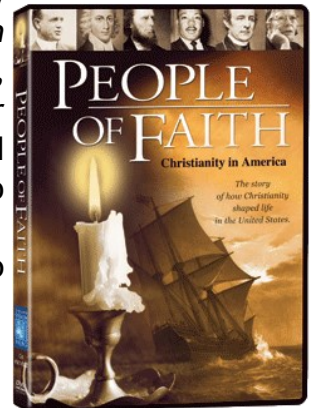
For more information call coordinator Jim Christiansen (540)877-4482.



The Helping Hands Ministry needs "more hands" than it currently has. This ministry sends cards to members of the church who are ill or are in the hospital. If you have a little extra time on your hands, call Elma Morrison, 662-0666.

Fall Bible Study: "People of Faith"

Is America now, or has it ever been, a Christian nation? What is the meaning of separation of church and state? How can the church be a faithful Gospel witness in a pluralistic society? What will the church look like in the future? These are just some of the questions which will be addressed in this fall's video Bible Study, People of Faith: Christianity in America. It will be a survey of the entire history of Christianity in America from before the Pilgrims to the present. Participants will gain perspective on the people and ideas that shaped America and see how it came to be the first nation in history based upon the ideal of religious liberty as we meet Christian leaders such as Jonathan Edwards, Harriett Beecher Stowe, Martin Luther King, Jr., and Billy Graham. The *People of Faith* Bible Study will begin **Thursday, September 12th**, and last for six weeks. Sessions will be held on Thursdays from 10:00 to 11:30am in the lower auditorium. The study will be led by Bob Stainback and Lori Pendleton. There is no cost.



www.peopleoffaithseries.com

Alzheimer's Family Workshop



Offered by Home Instead Senior Care, this FREE workshop will cover:

- Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementia
- Capturing the Life Story
- Techniques to Manage Behaviors
- Activities to Encourage Engagement
- Caring for the Caregiver

To register call 540-722-8750.

Two time options are available:

- Wednesday, Sept. 11th, 6 - 8pm
- Saturday, September 14th, 10am - noon

You're Invited: Grace Lutheran Annual Concert

The Hoffmeier/Keyl Church Music Endowment will present its annual concert at Grace Lutheran Church at 4:00pm on Sunday, September 29th. Featured will be four organ concertos by G.F. Handel, played by Judy Connelly, Daniel Hannemann, Richard McPherson and Jess Ratcliff. They will be accompanied by a string quartet of Shenandoah Conservatory musicians conducted by Dr. Steven Cooksey. The concert is free and open to the public, and will be followed by a reception. The church is located at 26 W. Boscawen Street in Winchester. For more information call Daniel Hannemann at 662-6678.



Grace Notes

By Lori

When anxiety was great within me, your
consolation brought joy. Psalm 94:19

Life is so often filled with unexpected crises and problems. Sometimes despair can darken the most faithful Christian heart. We strive to maintain stability and grace in spite of difficulties and stress. We must remember that we are held "near to the heart of God" and can find the comfort and rest we need in Christ. Because of our relationship with Christ we receive joy and peace that only our Redeemer can give. Let's try to live every day with an inner calm and courage despite the turmoil that can happen in our lives.

Cleland McAfee (1866-1944) wrote this consoling hymn when his life was filled with sadness. As minister to First Presbyterian Church in Chicago he was devastated to hear of the death of his 2 young nieces of diphtheria and penned this hymn out of his grief. It soon became widely known and has comforted many in times of despair.

Near To The Heart of God

There is a place of quiet rest, near to the heart of God,
a place where sin cannot molest, near to the heart of God.
There is a place of comfort sweet, near to the heart of God,
a place where we our Savior meet, near to the heart of God.
There is a place of full release, near to the heart of God,
a place where all is joy and peace, near to the heart of God.

Chorus: O Jesus, blest Redeemer, sent from the heart of God,
hold us who wait before Thee near to the heart of God.



Sunday November 3rd, 2013 at 6:00pm

The Singin' Seniors
will present the
Musical Drama

The Gospel Never Changes!



**ANNUAL HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY LUNCHEON
FOR SINGIN' SENIORS AND AGELESS ADVENTURERS**



ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, WE WILL HAVE OUR ANNUAL HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY LUNCHEON AT HUNTING RIDGE AT 11:00 AM. PLAN TO WEAR A COSTUME OR JUST COME AS YOURSELF! THE COST FOR THE LUNCH IS \$12.00 PER PERSON. PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 662-5367 TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATION BY THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24. ALSO, THERE WILL BE A BUS GOING FROM THE CHURCH PARKING LOT AT 10:30 IF YOU WOULD LIKE A RIDE OUT TO HUNTING RIDGE.



Deacon Donuts

...tasty tidbits about our leaders

Featured Deacon:

Linda Vickers



A member of First Baptist since 1980, Linda was ordained in 2013. She is a member of the Philia Class and serves on the Nursery Committee. She and her husband Jake have two children, Whitney and Trae, both of whom have grown up in First Baptist. And one of their grandchildren, Shelby, attends "Son" Shine Learning Center. While Jake continues to work at FEMA, Linda retired from there 5 years ago. Linda loves the colors pink and green and really loves spending time with and meeting new people.



Talents

Today, talents have been committed unto us as Christian stewards. Our bodies, personalities, abilities and material possessions are entrusted to us, not for safe keeping but for use. The Master did not punish the servant in the parable because he had only one talent. He punished him because he did not use what he had and, therefore, the talent was taken from him.

50 Years Ago in the Tie...

September 13, 1963 Tie

What Music Can Do for a Child

1. Lay foundations for Christian conversion when the child is ready for it.
2. Give pleasure.
3. Offer opportunity for creative self-expression.
4. Develop a feeling of wonder, awe and reverence.
5. Help in the development of right social attitudes.
6. Contribute to muscular coordination.
7. Bring self-fulfillment through experiencing success.
8. Offer opportunities for shared experiences and group cooperation.
9. Lay a foundation for an enriched life.
10. Provide an outlet for emotional release and satisfaction.
11. Bring a sense of joy and gratitude.
12. Supply a way of expressing your thoughts about God.

Tie Publication Schedule

During the summer the Tie was printed and mailed once per month. Moving forward we will continue with this monthly schedule which significantly reduces communication costs. The website and online calendar will continually be updated and bulletin announcements will be updated each week. Each Tie will be a calendar Tie for the subsequent month and will be published at mid-month. The dates below are the publication dates for the remainder of 2013.

November Calendar Tie	October 16
December Calendar Tie	November 13
January Calendar Tie	December 11

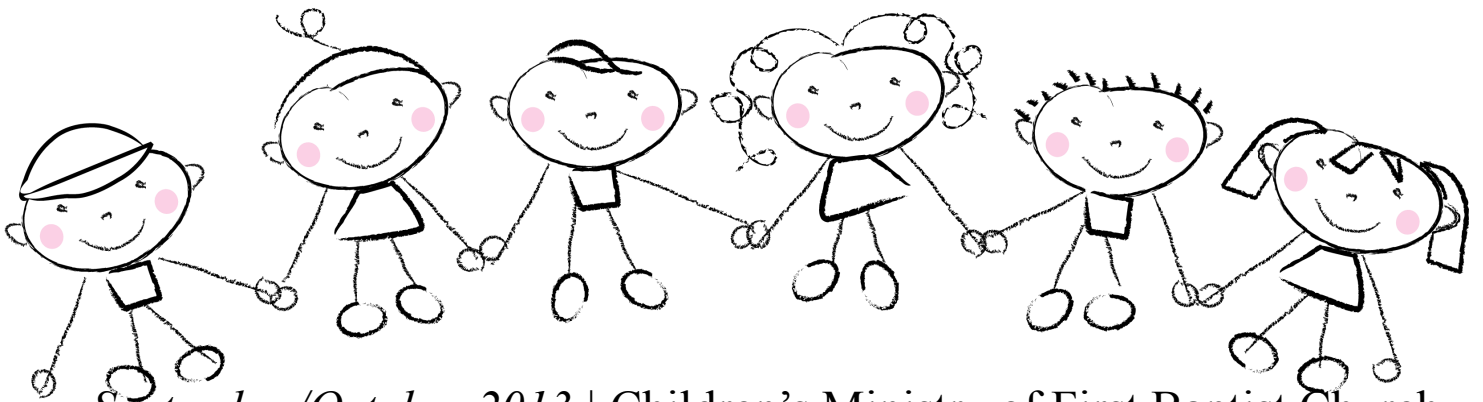
New-and-Improved
WEBSITE



**Is Something
Up with the
Church
Website?**

Yes, as a matter of fact, it is! The church website is in the process of being redesigned and during the construction process you are welcome to check out the new site. Once the design is complete and approved, the current website will be taken down and the new website will become the *official* site for First Baptist. Feel free to provide feedback via email or by posting on the new site during the transition.

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September/October 2013 | Children's Ministry of First Baptist Church

children's news

Mark Your Calendar

9/21

Children's Ministry Team Meeting

9/24

Nursery Committee Meeting

** All Children's Ministry Team meetings and Nursery Committee meetings are held in the church office at 6:30pm

Feeding our Neighbors

Remember to bring a food item each Sunday as part of your church offering.

Total items donated to CCAP to Date:
6,710

In addition to food items, the following household items are accepted and appreciated, as well:

- Toiletries
- Cleaning Supplies
- Sheets
- White Socks
- Jeans
- Blankets

Minister to Children Position Filled

The Minister to Children Search Committee, at a called Business Meeting on Sunday, September 8th, recommended that Alison F. Wright be called as the Director of Children's Ministry. The church enthusiastically approved the recommendation, and Alison accepted the call. She begins her work on September 15th. Make sure to welcome her and keep her in your prayers.

Alison Wright

In 2011, Alison completed her Bachelor of Music Education from the Shenandoah Conservatory of Shenandoah University. She comes to us with a strong calling to work in children's ministry as well as a passion for working with the children of First Baptist.

Alison has engaged in various forms of children's ministry, both here and at other churches and organizations. Alison came to First Baptist Church in 2009 to work with our children in the nursery on Sundays and Wednesday evenings. In addition to her duties as a paid nursery worker, Alison readily engaged as a leader in the preschool area, volunteering with Vacation Bible School, and helping to lead various programs.

Outside her work at First Baptist, Alison has taught piano lessons, worked at Valley Health Child Care as a teaching assistant, worked for Home Instead Senior Care as a caregiver, and volunteered for many years with Big Brothers, Big Sisters of America and Relay for Life.

Alison's enthusiasm and vision for children's ministry will strengthen and enhance our programs here at First Baptist. She is committed to serving in the local church and in her community. She believes strongly in working closely with parents and volunteers. And most importantly, she is deeply committed to building relationships with children. She will minister to the various needs of children, helping them learn about God and grow in God's love and in their faith.

Alison married Mason Wright in April, 2013. Mason works at Navy Federal Credit Union. Both Alison and Mason are gifted musicians and enjoy using their many gifts to serve God.

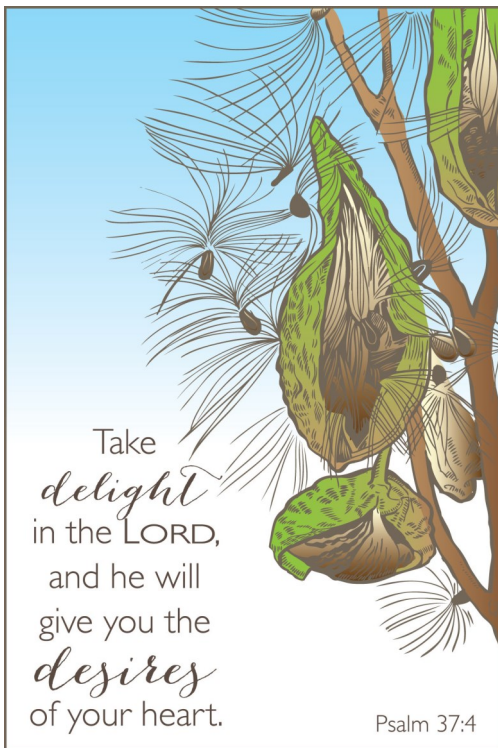


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Newsletter Deadline

The next Tie will be mailed on **Wed. Oct. 16th**. Please submit content to Kay by **10:00am Friday, Oct. 11th**. Email is tie@firstbaptistwinchester.com

Bulletin Deadline

The Church Bulletin is printed **EVERY Thursday Morning**. Please submit content to Kathy by **noon on Wednesday**. Email is fbcwinc@firstbaptistwinchester.com

Prayer Chain



First Baptist Church Prayer Chain Ministries

Direct your prayer request(s) to:

Daytime Hours: Donna Walter @ 722-2230 or Linette Spicer @ 662-1120
Evening Hours: Janet Luttrell @ 667-8758 or Laura Beavers @ 667-3191



Homebound Spotlight

Mary Webber
Hilltop House
111 Denny Lane, #321
Winchester, VA 22603

We encourage everyone to send a note to Mary
In His Love, Lori & the Homebound Team



Flower Power

Sanctuary arrangements are needed for the 2013 calendar year. If you would like to place an arrangement in memory or in honor of a loved one, please fill out a Flower Calendar form found in each narthex or the Church Office. You may also call the Church Office to place your request.

God receives none but those who are forsaken, restores health to none but those who are sick, gives sight to none but the blind, and life to none but the dead. ... He has mercy on none but the wretched and gives grace to none but those who are in disgrace.
—Martin Luther