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The **INFORMER**

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From the Pastor's Desk

Called to do???

*"Psalms 100:2 Serve the LORD with gladness:
come before his presence with singing. "*

A young man who had been hired by the personnel department of a large supermarket chain. The young man was excited for the opportunity as he reported to work at one of the stores. The manager greeted him with a warm handshake and a smile, handed him a broom and said, "Your first job will be to sweep out the store." Shocked, the boy replied, "But I'm a college graduate." The manager looked down and replied, "I'm sorry. I didn't know that. Here, give me the broom and I'll show you how."

Sometimes we can believe that we are better than menial jobs. Whether because of training or prestige, we can look down on "lesser" jobs and refuse to do them. In God's plan, however, no job is too menial for a believer.

There are many jobs that must be done to support God's church each week. Some need to teach, others must sing, others will conduct the service, some help in the nursery, while others clean up afterward. Whatever the task, the result is helping God's work advance each week.

How are you serving the Lord in your local church? God has called everyone to serve Him in some capacity. For instance, while you may not be able to sing in the choir, you could perhaps send weekly encouraging emails or cards to people in your Sunday school class.

The LORD wants every believer to actively be involved in serving Him. Pray about how He would have you be involved in serving Him through our church.

There is no job too small that God will not be glorified in you doing it.

Pastor Terry

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Church Council

The Floyd Baptist Church Council held its regular monthly meeting August 18, 2024, 8:30 am, in the Church Fellowship Hall. David Hall was the moderator. The following is a brief summary.

- Jack Morris, Winky Nichols, Jeremy Quesenberry, and Darrell Thompson have been nominated to serve on the Deacon Fellowship for the upcoming 3 years, beginning October 2024. Four vacancies need to be filled. An election will take place, Sunday, August 25.
- Pastor Terry Semones developed FBC Outreach cards that were handed out during August 17, Operation In As Much. Ink pens with FBC information have arrived.
- The WARM Group plans to feed FCHS Football, Volleyball, and Girls Basketball this Fall. Dates and plans are being finalized.
- **IMPORTANT DATE!! OCTOBER 20, 2024.** Registration for the Western Blue Ridge Baptist Network (WBRBN) Annual Meeting will begin at 2:30 pm, North Fork Baptist Church, Blacksburg, VA. An FBC member must be present to seek membership as we are currently listed as a provisional member.
- Several FBC Youth participated in the Cookie Ministry and Wood Delivery during Operation In As Much. The Youth are also planning a puppet show as part of the September 29, Family Sunday Worship Service.
- **NEEDED!** The Children's Sunday Classes need 2 teachers. Contact Mark West or Church Nominating Committee.

Church Council Meeting

Sunday, September 15th @ 8:30 AM
In the Fellowship Hall



Deacon Service Ministry

 <p>Called to Serve Deacon of the Week</p>	September 1 Michael Patton
	September 8 Michael Shortt
	September 15 Kay Slusher
	September 22 Brian Swortzel
	September 29 Gerald Smith

OUR NEW DEACONS

The following people have been elected to serve on the deacon fellowship for the upcoming three years.

Jack Morris

Winky Nichols

Jeremy Quesenberry

Darrell Thompson

We would like to thank all newly elected deacons for their commitment to serve and ask our church members to pray for all our deacons as they serve the church.



Announcements

Lord's Supper
Sunday, September 1

Business Meeting
Wednesday, September 11, 7:00pm, FH

WARM Meeting
Thursday, September 12, 10:00am, FH

Church Council Meeting
Sunday, September 15, 8:30am, FH

Deacon's Meeting
Monday, September 23, 7:00pm, FH

Family Sunday
Sunday, September 29



FRIDAY FOURSOMES

FRIDAYS AT 5PM AT
 GREAT OAKS
 COUNTRY CLUB

Contact Steve Hamlin
 with questions.



TEAM KID

Begins September 18th

Weekly Schedule for Fellowship Hall Usage
September, 2024

Please let us know in advance if you need to use the Fellowship Hall so we can add you to the schedule.

Date	Time	Group/Person
Sept 1	9:25am	Prayer Meeting
Sept 1	3:30-8pm	Christy Carr, Party
Sept 3	7-9pm	Cub Scouts
Sept 7	8-1pm	OCC Workshop
Sept 7	1-9pm	Set-up for Sunday
Sept 8	9:25am	Prayer Meeting
Sept 8	12-4pm	Moran Reunion
Sept 9	5pm	Adult Handbells
Sept 10	12-5pm	Janice Y Patton
Sept 11	7pm	Business Meeting
Sept 12	10am	WARM
Sept 15	8:30am	Church Council Meeting
Sept 15	9:25am	Prayer Meeting
Sept 16	5pm	Adult Handbells
Sept 17	7-9pm	Cub Scouts
Sept 21	All Day	D. Thomas, B'day Party
Sept 22	9:25am	Prayer Meeting
Sept 23	7pm	Deacon Meeting
Sept 28	All Day	Setup for Sunday Meal
Sept 29	9:25am	Prayer Meeting
Sept 29	12pm	Chili/Soup Luncheon





September Birthdays

1- Ron Pecoul	15- Dreama Lovitt	21- Judy Britt
1- Austin Ryan Shortt	16- Roger Pauley	21- James Ian Bary
3- Lisa Radford	16- Jaxon Morris	22- Michael Browning
6- Ashley Dunn	17- Dirk Davis	22- Brenna Via
8- Louellen Sharp	18- Cristy Carr	23- Ruby Moran
9- Allan Lovitt	19- Deanna Swortzel	25- Becky Thompson
12- Linda Nester	20- Marcus Dickerson	25- Belinda Horney



Music Ministry

Sept. 4 Sanctuary Choir 8:00 - 8:45p.m.

Sept. 9 Adult Handbells 5:00 - 6:00p.m.

Sept. 11 Cantata rehearsal 8:00 - 8:20p.m.

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Sept. 16 Adult Handbells 5:00 - 6:00p.m.

Sept. 18 Cantata rehearsal 8:00 - 8:20p.m.

Sept. 18 Sanctuary Choir 8:20 - 8:45p.m.

Sept. 25 Cantata rehearsal 8:00 - 8:20p.m.

Sept. 25 Sanctuary Choir 8:20 - 8:45p.m.



The music ministry invites you to be a part of a group praising the Lord with your musical gifts.

The Sanctuary Choir meets regularly on Wednesday evenings, 8:00 - 8:45p.m., to prepare to sing praises during the worship services on Sunday mornings. Cantata rehearsals will begin on Wednesdays evenings 8:00 - 8:20p.m., starting September 11.

The Praise team is always looking for volunteers to be a part of the contemporary music team.

The Adult Handbells meet regularly on first and third Mondays, 5:00 - 6:00p.m. (September rehearsals are Sept. 9 and September 16.)

All music ministries are always looking for new persons to become involved. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Karen Whitlock
Minister of Music

Preschool News



Preschool has gotten off to a wonderful start! We had the first big open house since 2019!!!!

Our preschool committee members, Martha Thompson and Michael Browning and their sweet spouses, Danny and Sarah, along with Peggy Profitt, helped make that event awesome. As always our committee and folks like Peggy, are such wonderful support to our preschool, we can't thank all these folks enough! We were also very thankful Pastor Terry could join us!

We also got to start out our year with the WARM group ladies supplying us with so many useful items, our cabinets are now overflowing with their kindness! Again, we can't thank these wonderful ladies enough for their generosity!!!!

Many thanks to Omni Build and to John McBroom for providing us with a bathroom and running water to start our preschool year.

And thank you to our awesome helpers this week, Peggy Profitt and Brenda Allen! We could not start this week without all these awesome wonderful people!

Our preschoolers get to learn about our American flag and making new friends, learning about colors and much, much more through September! And we are really emphasizing about living by the Golden Rule!!!!



Missions



Operation Christmas Child.

Each month the Youth collects an item that will be used in filling the shoeboxes in November for Operation Christmas Child.

In September, School Supplies will be collected.

(Including small plastic pencil sharpeners, markers, colored pencils, crayons, erasers, glue & small writing tablets)

Cash donations are also appreciated! Please place your donations in the box located in the Sanctuary.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD WORKSHOP

Please make plans to attend the OCC Workshop on September 7 at 10:00 a.m. This is a great time to get ideas for packing shoeboxes. We will also be blessed with a presentation from Steve Horton, our Crooked Road Team Area Director, on his trip to Trinidad to deliver boxes. His presentation is such a good way to see how children receive the boxes and the way the gospel is presented to them.

I hope you are planning to prepare at least one box, but if you would rather just donate something to our collection so far, that would be wonderful as well.

The workshop will be from 10-12. Each participant will receive a gift bag with a box and information about the ministry. We will also have light refreshments. We look forward to seeing you there.



Food Drive

Please help us with our collection of food items for the local food bank

The theme for September is:

Peanut Butter, Jelly & Crackers

Please drop off your donations by

September 31

in the box outside the Fellowship Hall.



Missions



Operation INASMUCH

- ◆ The ladies and youth of our church sent out 50 plus cards of encouragement.
- ◆ Men of our church worked at preparing and then delivered 17 loads of wood.
- ◆ 60 treat bags along with visits went out to Skyline Rehab
 - ◆ A Hearts and Hammer porch project took place.
- ◆ The Youth delivered cookies to those that SERVE our community
 - ◆ We had over 160 guests at Our Free for All.
 - ◆ And thanks Janice S for feeding us. We need fuel to work!

A lot of work went into not only this day but also in preparation. Thank you for all the donations and time that you gave to make this project a success.

Many thanks for your service.
Evangelism and Mission Committee





SEPTEMBER



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1 Lord's Supper 9:25am- Prayer Meeting-FH 9:45am- S.S. 11am Worship Svc 3:30-8pm-Christy Carr, FH 6pm -Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20	2 LABOR DAY 11am -Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20	3 7-9pm - Cub Scouts, FH	4 3am -Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20 8pm - S. Choir	5	6 5pm-Friday Foursomes	7 12pm -Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch 20 8-1pm-OCC Project Leader Workshop, J. Britt, Sanctuary & FH 1-9pm, Janice YP, Setup Reunion, FH	
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29 Family Sunday 9:25am- Prayer Meeting-FH 9:45am- Sunday School 11am Worship Svc 12pm- Chili / Soup Luncheon, FH 6pm -Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch 20	30 11am -Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20						