#### 2025 OCTOBER

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Oct 1: Meet and Greet, S150, 5:30 pm

Oct 1: Rev. Davis Kessler Sermon, 6:00 pm

Oct 5: Sunday School, 10:00 am

Oct 5: Friends and Family Day, Lunch, S150, 12:15 pm

Oct 8: Adult Bible Study, E100, 6:00 pm

Oct 12: Sunday School, 10:00 am

Oct 15: Adult Bible Study, E100, 6:00 pm

Oct 19: Sunday School, 10:00 am

Oct 19: Homecoming, \$150, 12:15 pm

Oct 22: Adult Bible Study, E100, 6:00 pm

Oct 26: Sunday School, 10:00 am

Oct 29: Adult Bible Study, E100, 6:00 pm



Heartfelt sympathy and prayers to the family of:

Jeannea Lemoine who passed away.



The Bible says that singing in church is a biblical command and an act of worship, a way to teach and encourage one another, and a means to express thankfulness to God. Key passages such Colossians 3:16 and Ephesians 5:19 instruct believers to sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs, making melody in their hearts to Lord. Singing is also shown to be an expression of joy and strength in the Psalms and is commanded for the entire congregation.



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#### Attendance Report

**Sunday, Sep 7, 2025** 

Sunday School - 43 Worship Service - 40

Sunday, Sep 14, 2025

Sunday School - 31 Worship Service - 40

Sunday, Sep 21, 2025

Sunday School - 40 Worship Service - 43

Sunday, Sep 28, 2025

Sunday School - 47 Worship Service - 66

#### Tithing Report General Fund

Sunday Sep 7, 2025

\$4,959.00

**Sunday Sep 14, 2025** 

\$3,915.00

Sunday Sep 21, 2025

\$1,514.00

Sunday Sep 28, 2025

\$2,506.00



The following is the list of ministers who will be preaching at our church during the month of October:

Oct 5 - Rev. Michael Griffith

Oct 12 - Rev. Bill Monroe

Oct 19 - Rev. Bill Monroe

If you feel led to host the guest minister for lunch following the morning worship service, please feel free to extend an invitation to them.

### Exciting news from the Board of Deacons and Personnel committee

On Wednesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, we have the opportunity to listen to Rev. David Kessler. The Wednesday night Bible study group and friends will be providing sandwiches in S150 at 5:30 pm. At 6:00 pm we will move to the sanctuary. The message will be "Reviving Our Passion," Revelation 2:1-7. Upon church approval, Rev. Kessler is willing to serve as our Interim Minister. We look forward to seeing you there.

## CHURCH

#### **HOMECOMING**

Sunday, October 19th 12:15 in our Fellowship Hall

Please join us as we celebrate with past and present church members. This will be a time of fellowship with our church family. Bring your favorite dish/dessert to share.

#### Golden Leaves

We see signs of summer's passing in golden leaves, shortening days, misty mornings and autumn glow.

We sense its passing in rain that dampens, winds that chill, and Harvest's bounty placed on show.

Creator God, who brings forth both green shoot and hoar frost, sunrise and sunset, we bring our thanks for seeds that have grown, harvests gathered, storehouses filled, and mouths fed.

And, as your good earth rests through winter's cold embrace, we look forward to its re-awakening when kissed by Spring's first touch.

- Author Unknown



#### Friends and Family Day **First Baptist Church** Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>

This will be a day that you and I invite our family, friends, neighbors, and our community members who are searching for hope, peace of mind and purpose to join us

at FBC Rockingham for worship and fellowship. A day that our friends and family will remember. There will be a fellowship meal following worship. Our pews will be filled with family and friends. Our hearts will be filled with joy. And, our tummies will be full of a delicious meal shared with our friends and loved ones. Come be a part of this exciting day at FBC Rockingham.

SAVE THE DATE:

NOVEMBER 3, 2025

## World Day of Prayer Event







All are invited! 6:30pm





"One world, one communion, one faith in Christ the Son.

One world, one communion, and there is room for everyone...

So much we have in common though we are miles apart through the Holy Spirit we are one in heart and so we are one world, one communion, one faith in Christ in Christ the Son. One world, one communion, and there is room for everyone...

Though many things divide us, with great diversity, through the power of love we will find unity, so help us see there's one world, one communion, one faith in Christ the Son. One world, one communion, and there is room for everyone...

> There is room for all who come." - Pepper Choplin



10/1 James and Diane Stokes - 36 yrs 10/5 Steve and Debbie McIver - 51 yrs 10/17 Jason and Crystal Coen - 16 yrs 10/20 Jonathan and Erin Barnes - 5 yrs



Dear church members: We will be collecting Operation Christmas Child items and plan to have a box packing party in November. There will be an Operation Christmas Child donation box in the hallway outside the church office. Each Month we will print the list in the Informer and in the weekly bulletin.

October: school supplies such as pencils, sharpener, erasers, pencil pouches, crayons, glue sticks, scissors, small backpack

As always, please remember no guns, military toys (nothing war related).

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

10/3 Kevin Shaw 10/12 Kimberly Pearson 10/23 Angela Cockerton 10/28 Jan Smith 10/31 Larry Harrelson

10/5 Beth Ray 10/13 John Yates 10/27 Sam Hilton 10/30 Charli Pope

10/8 Allie Coen 10/17 Margaret Lindsey 10/27 Payton Fair 10/30 Wini Poston

#### In Memory of

#### Brenda Snyder

Elaine Callicutt

#### **Christopher Anderson**

Elaine Callicutt

#### Richard McLenden New Covenant SS Class

#### Randy Warren

Raymond and Dara Hyatt Elaine Callicutt Thomas Stephenson

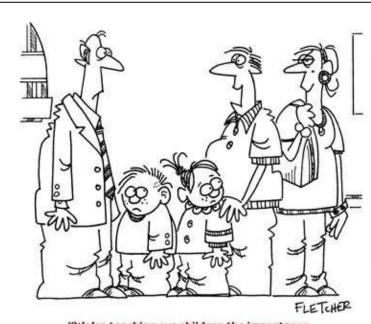
#### **Gene Barnes**

Dicky and Jan Smith **Elaine Callicutt** Jerry and Elaine Davis Frances Godwin New Covenant SS Class Arthur and Martha Jo Stanley Philip and Beverly Spears



#### Giving September August Summary 2025 **General Fund** 14,190 12,894 **Easter Lilies** Memorials & Honor 320 NC Missions Local Missions **Sundy School Literature** Benevolence (J. Lemoine) Senior Adults 39 Vonth Local Benevolence VBS (One Perfect Gift) **Total Gifts** 15,908 13,723 174,375 Budget req. to date Gifts to date 124,215 YTD req. under actual gifts (50,160) 71%

% giving to req.



"We're teaching our children the importance of regular church attendance . . . what time should we pick them up?'