



**Sep 1:** Labor Day, church office closed  
**Sep 3:** Adult Bible Study, E100, 6:00 pm  
**Sep 7:** Sunday School, 10:00 am  
**Sep 10:** Adult Bible Study, E100, 6:00 pm  
**Sep 14:** Sunday School, 10:00 am  
**Sep 17:** Adult Bible Study, E100, 6:00 pm  
**Sep 21:** Sunday School, 10:00 am  
**Sep 21:** Deacon's Meeting, 12:15 pm  
**Sep 24:** Adult Bible Study, E100, 6:00 pm  
**Sep 27:** Churchwide Cleanup Day, 9 am - 2 pm  
**Sep 28:** Sunday School, 10:00 am  
**Sep 28:** Communion Sunday

We will have Communion on Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>. Come, be a part of worship this day as we observe this most holy meal, giving thanks for Jesus Christ who welcomes us all to the Table.



We would like to welcome our four newly elected deacons to their positions in the church. Congratulations to:

Rich Fair      Dennis Holloway  
Melanie Lampley      Debbie McIver

Ordination for Rich and Debbie coming soon.



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### Attendance Report

#### **Sunday, Aug 3, 2025**

Sunday School - 50  
Worship Service - 66

#### **Sunday, Aug 10, 2025**

Sunday School - 53  
Worship Service - 59

#### **Sunday, Aug 17, 2025**

Sunday School - 43  
Worship Service - 50

#### **Sunday, Aug 24, 2025**

Sunday School - 53  
Worship Service - 46

#### **Sunday, Aug 31, 2025**

Sunday School - 40  
Worship Service - 41

### Tithing Report General Fund

#### **Sunday** **Aug 3, 2025**

\$2,482.00

#### **Sunday** **Aug 10, 2025**

\$3,472.00

#### **Sunday** **Aug 17, 2025**

\$2,875.00

#### **Sunday** **Aug 24, 2025**

\$2,298.00

#### **Sunday** **Aug 31, 2025**

\$3,558.31

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

Sept 7 - Rev. John Collins

Sept 14 - Rev. Bill Monroe

Sept 21 - Rev. Michael Boyer

Sept 28 - Mr. Jacob Goodwin

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.

September marks the start of the new year in the life of our church. Some of our kids are transitioning to another Sunday School Class and we want to keep them in our prayers. We want to take a moment to express our appreciation for all of you who have served on committees, councils, teams, and the diaconate this past year.

As this year begins, we know that some of you will be rotating onto various committees and councils or beginning work in different areas of the church. All of you who are serving in one way or another will be in our prayers, and we invite everyone to join us in those prayers...for wisdom, strength, and guidance in these coming weeks and months. We hope all of you who are serving will feel the support and prayers of others uplifting you and that you will enjoy the work you will be doing.

As we think about the coming year, several things come to mind that we think might hold some good wisdom for us all...goals that we believe are worth considering and working toward:

- To deepen our relationship with God and live with open eyes and ears attentive to God's leading;
- To seek ways to be encouraging and uplifting with our words and actions;
- To look for ways to use the gifts God has given us;
- To pray for our congregation and its leaders and servants;
- To see others through a lens of love and reach out in love to care for those around us.

Know that you all remain in our prayers, and as always, let us know if there are ways that we can help care for you. In His Service, Church Staff



Church Office Closed  
Monday, September 1<sup>st</sup>

**WE WILL BE  
CLOSED ON  
LABOR DAY**

## Church Staff

**Guest Pastor**

**Guest Accompanists**

**Melinda Murphy, Accountant**

**John Thompson, Admin/Finance Assistant**

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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.

Churchwide Cleanup Day  
First Baptist Church  
Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 9 am - 2 pm


With Friends and Family Day and Homecoming in the near future, we would like to encourage everyone to join us for a churchwide cleanup day on Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup> from 9 am - 2 pm. We will focus on stairwells, hallways, kitchen, SS classrooms, the Sanctuary, and the parking areas and immediate area around the church. We have such a nice facility and want to show it to our guests at its best. We look forward to working with you on the 27<sup>th</sup>.



With Deepest Sympathy

Heartfelt sympathy and prayers to the family of:

Gene Barnes  
who passed away.



North Carolina Missions Offering (NCMO) is a special offering received during the month of September that supports the ministries of Baptists on Mission, Church Planting, mission camps, associational projects and mobilization ministry projects. NCMO is your opportunity to be on missions together as God accomplishes many wonderful things through these various ministries. The FBC goal this year is \$1,000.



9/23 John and Beth Ray - 58 years  
9/23 John and Monica Yates - 36 years



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.

**September:** 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!

9/3 Marjorie Rainey	9/4 Debbie McIver	9/5 Neal Cadieu
9/8 River Pearson	9/9 Melissa Ewing	9/10 Peggy Scott
9/11 Jeannette Melvin	9/11 Lynda Clifton	9/13 Noodhana Rezdchal
9/14 Elaine Davis	9/17 Linda Pryce	9/19 Dennis Holloway
9/19 Wendy Gossage	9/20 Erin Gregory	9/22 Christy Warren
9/24 Rushyanth Richard	9/26 Diane Cannon	9/27 Marc Harding
	9/27 Jonathan Barnes	

In Memory of

<b>Mack Haigler</b> Lydia Sunday School Class	<b>Randy Warren</b> Lydia Sunday School Class Frances Godwin
<b>Brenda Snyder</b> Charles and Marion Sutton Lydia Sunday School Class Frances Godwin	<b>Jerry Covington</b> Dicky and Jan Smith



In Honor of

**Rev. Jack Lee Family**  
Dicky and Jan Smith

TITHES & OFFERINGS		
GIVE UNTO THE LORD		
Giving Summary	July 2025	August 2025
General Fund	9,962	14,190
Easter Lilies	0	0
Memorials & Honor	605	500
FCA	0	0
SBC	0	0
Local Missions	0	150
Sundy School Literature	0	0
Benevolence (J. Lemoine)	235	460
Senior Adults	0	0
Youth	308	608
Local Benevolence	0	0
VBS (One Perfect Gift)	125	0
Total Gifts	11,236	15,908
Budget req. to date		156,490
Gifts to date		110,921
YTD req. under actual gifts		(37,904)
% giving to req.		71%

Autumn Blessing

See the goodness of our Father in the Autumn season fair, In the colors that delight us, when there's beauty everywhere. In the gold and crimson hillsides, in each maple tree ablaze, In bright goldenrod and asters, lining rustic country ways.

See the goodness of our Father, in the sky of sapphire-blue, In the Autumn sun enhancing, every lovely thing in view. See the goodness of our Father, in the beauty of the land, In the lavish yield we gather, all provided by His hand. See the goodness of our Father, in the Autumn season fair, For this wealth of Autumn blessing, We lift thankful hearts in prayer.