



*Caraleigh Baptist Church
November Newsletter
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Desk of Pastor Michael Simmons

Pastor's Paragraphs

Wow! Can you believe it? It's November already! Where has the year gone? But then, there's the old saying, "Time flies when you're having fun." As Christians, we're having fun serving the Lord. After all, even though serving the Lord is not always easy, it is rewarding for he always fills us with his joy, something non-Christians will never know. Remember what Nehemiah 8:10 says, "the joy of the Lord is your strength."

This month begins with Daylight Savings Time ending and Eastern Standard Time beginning on November 2nd. Don't forget to move your clocks back an hour before you go to bed on Saturday night. Then, on November 16th, we will have a time during the service to dedicate the shoeboxes that have been collected for Samaritan's Purse. This is a great ministry that we can all do together. Thanksgiving is on Thursday, November 26th. We will not have a Bible Study that morning, but will have a special Thanksgiving service on Sunday, November 23rd. On Friday, November 27th, we will come together to decorate the church for Advent and Christmas at 11:00. This is always a wonderful time of fellowship and fun. Then on Sunday, November 30th, we will begin the season by lighting the first Advent candle. November is a month packed full of special events and times of worship. It is also a wonderful time for you to bring family and friends with you to church.

Psalm 100:4 says, "Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name." Indeed, in November, we will shout for joy to the Lord and worship him with gladness and sing joyful songs. We will proclaim that the Lord is God, that he is the one who made us, and we belong to him. We will worship him with thanksgiving and praise for he is good and his love and faithfulness is everlasting. (A paraphrase of Psalm 100.)

Remember, as you are blessed, be a blessing to someone else.

Pastor Michael

15 Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.

16 Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.

17 And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Colossians 3:15-17

Looking Ahead

Worship Service 11:00am

Sunday School 9:45 am

Thursday - Bible Study 11:00am



Birthdays & Anniversaries

Joyce Caudle Nov. 08
Teresa Moore 29



Remember Pray for Our Shut – Ins

Rachel Council	The Landing of Chestnut Grove, 158 Chestnut Grove Church Rd.	Phone# 919-247-0873	Sparta	NC	28675
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Prayer Concerns



Pastor & Deacons	Church Family	Caraleigh Comm.	United States
Leaders of the USA	World Leaders	Connie Crumpler	Jean Myers
Linda & Karl Stephenson	Angela Melton	Sue Denning	Sandra James
Cindy & Mike Poole	Windy Tedder	Clyde Hutton	Carolyn Murphy
Linda & Glenn Suggs	Seth Tedder	Glenda Suggs	Sue Price
Glenda Suggs	CL O'Neal	Missionaries	MPLS Disaster
Congress/President	2mo. Baby	Barry West	Hames
Luigi Ammons		Reopen of US Government	People out of work



Peace in Jerusalem and Gaza

Music Notes: Desk of Margie Huggins

November is a beautiful month, full of fall color, a gift from our Lord. Each month God gives us new gifts of beauty to look at. Oh, how we are blessed.

We may be small in number, but we are quite large in our love for God. We continue to gather to worship Him each week. To sing to Him, pray to Him, and study His word. What a blessing.

"We Gather Together" is the hymn I have chosen for this month. This is of course the month of Thanksgiving. There is so much for us to be thankful for, we could never praise the Good Lord enough for His Blessings! A thanksgiving Service would not be complete without singing this praise hymn to God. We thank God for being our guide and defender for the past year. The Author is unknown, and the music is a Netherlands Folk Melody. As we gather together this month, let us count our blessings and give God praise for another year together.

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessings—He chastens and hastens His will to make Known; The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing: Sing praises to His name—He forgets not His own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining. Ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine; So from the beginning the fight we were winning: Thou, Lord, wast at our side—all glory be Thine.

We all do extol Thee, Thou leader triumphant, And pray that Thou still our defender wilt be; Let Thy congregation escape tribulation; Thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

I thank our Lord for Christian Music. It gives us great peace and comfort. Knowing our God is with each of us, have a very Blessed Thanksgiving.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY!!! GREAT THINGS HE HAS DONE!!!



Thank God!

In the moments of turmoil,
in the hours of trial,
in the midst of any circumstances,
you can thank God.

Thank Him for His Son.
Thank Him for His forgiveness.
Thank Him for
overlooking your weakness.
Thank Him for the promise
of eternal life.

Thank God for the opportunity
to be a blessing to others,
to be a friend to the friendless,
to encourage those who
have lost hope, and
to cheer up those who
are downcast!

**You can make a difference.
You can be on the Lord's side.
You can be a blessing to someone!**

Be Thankful for That!

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“It took me three weeks to stuff the turkey. I stuffed it through the beak.” – Phyllis Diller

“Thanksgiving... that is all about overeating. One of the main dishes is actually called ‘stuffing.’ Stuffing? What names did they turn down? ‘Cram-it-in?’ ‘Eat-till-you-can’t-breathe?’” – Jim Gaffigan

“A new survey found that 80 percent of men claim they help cook Thanksgiving dinner. Which makes sense, when you hear they consider saying ‘that smells good’ to be helping.” – Jimmy Fallon

“Vegetables are a must on a diet. I suggest carrot cake, zucchini bread and pumpkin pie.” – Jim Davis



Have a blessed and thankful November

Missions Report: Desk of Connie Crumpler

We received \$1,305 in offerings to the North Carolina Missions Offering. Our goal was \$900. This offering is split 3 ways: between the North Carolina Missions, the Baptist Children’s Homes and the Heck Jones Offering (WMU). Thank you for your generous giving to North Carolina Missions! A lot of this donation will go to continue helping Western North Carolina recover from last year’s hurricane devastation!

You have until **November 16, 2025** to complete your Samaritan’s Purse Shoebox! That Sunday we will have a dedication of the shoeboxes and they will be loaded into my car (or someone else’s) to take to Midway Baptist Church, the closest drop off point. You also have the opportunity to make a shoebox online and have it credited to our church! The cost is \$30 and includes the \$10 shipping fee! Just go to the Samaritan’s Purse website and click on “make a shoebox.” Then just follow the instructions.

Although the Baptist Children’s Homes of North Carolina was included in the North Carolina Missions Offering we collected in September, you have another opportunity to give to that offering if you want to. November is Baptist Children’s Homes of North Carolina offering month. There are special envelopes in your envelope box and there will be special envelopes in the pews if you want to give an additional offering to the Baptist Children’s Homes this month.

Did You Know...

BCH has locations in 3-dozen communities in NC, SC, and Guatemala.
BCH impacted 117,502 lives through the support of NC Baptists.
80% of those served come to BCH unchurched and unreached for JESUS.
There have been 844 professions of faith throughout the past 5 years.
Through EVERY CHILD initiative, a partnership between BCH and NC Baptists, Christian couples are trained and licenses to be foster families and offer ongoing support, couples are aided with domestic and international adoptions, and expectant mothers are ministered to and shown the beauty of choosing life for their babies by helping them make an adoption plan.
BCH offers cottage homes for intellectually and developmentally disabled adults.
BCH operates the North Carolina Aging Ministry (NCBAM) for senior adults (ncbam.org).

These are just a few of the things offered by the Baptist Children’s Homes of North Carolina. Consider giving them an extra offering in November!

GIVE to missions (church offerings and organizations). Give sacrificially of your money, time, and talents!

THANK God for your blessings.

PRAY for someone (and don’t forget the missionaries!)