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THE HERALD

WORKING WITH GOD'S BLUEPRINTS



Communities  
In Schools

High Point

## BACK TO SCHOOL FILL THE BIN!

Let's help Communities in Schools as they help Guilford County Schools prepare our future leaders by filling a bin with school supplies. The bin is located in the Recreation Ministries Center lobby and any school supply is needed and appreciated ... back packs, glue sticks, tissues, pencils, notebooks, wet wipes, crayons, hand sanitizer, ring binders, paper, markers ... and the list goes on. Please place your donation in the bin by August 21 to FILL the BIN!

— Linda Winslow, Missions Chair



Join us  
in celebration  
of the  
Lord's Supper  
Sunday,  
Aug. 28,  
during  
worship

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

405 N. Main St., High Point, N.C. 27260-5088

336-883-0178

[www.fbchighpoint.org](http://www.fbchighpoint.org) – [www.facebook.com/firstbaptisthighpoint](http://www.facebook.com/firstbaptisthighpoint)

Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.

Sunday Worship at 11 a.m. in person in the sanctuary or via Facebook Live.

## Offering and Income

### July 3, 2022

Weekly Budget Need	
Tithes & Offerings	\$6,602.00
Building Use/ Recreation/ Parking	\$8,705.00
Total Budget Receipts	\$0.00
Budget Needs to Date	\$8,705.00
Budget Receipts to Date	\$178,254.00
	\$164,355.35

### July 10, 2022

Weekly Budget Need	
Tithes & Offerings	\$6,602.00
Building Use/ Recreation/ Parking	\$1,875.00
Total Budget Receipts	\$0.00
Budget Needs to Date	\$1,875.00
Budget Receipts to Date	\$184,856.00
	\$166,230.35

### July 17, 2022

Weekly Budget Need	
Tithes & Offerings	\$6,602.00
Building Use/ Recreation/ Parking	\$5,136.00
Total Budget Receipts	\$0.00
Budget Needs to Date	\$5,136.00
Budget Receipts to Date	\$191,458.00
	\$171,366.35

### July 24, 2022

Weekly Budget Need	
Tithes & Offerings	\$6,602.00
Building Use/ Recreation/ Parking	\$1,896.75
Total Budget Receipts	\$460.00
Budget Needs to Date	\$2,356.75
Budget Receipts to Date	\$198,060.00
	\$173,723.10

There are several ways you can support FBC with your monetary gifts.

Online, go to [www.fbchighpoint.org](http://www.fbchighpoint.org), and click on the word "GIVE" in the blue bar. Instructions will appear for giving online with credit and debit cards using Tithe.ly. There are also instructions for setting up an automatic bank draft.

You can still mail checks to 405 N. Main St.

## Gathering together

At our July 24 congregational conversation, I suggested that there is a "common denominator" that can be identified in how we experience the three things we do "very best." So, for example, when we talk about what makes Sunday School a meaningful experience, we speak of things like "fellowship," "caring," "support," and "social interaction." When we talk about Congregational Care/Ministering

to Senior Adults, we mention "church fellowships," "reaching out to members," "intimate awareness of one another's needs," "personal growth in knowing more about each other." Even when it comes to "Traditional Worship/Music Ministry," we include "greeting one another and visitors before worship" and "fellowship/friendship." The common denominator in each of these "best things" is fellowship/friendship.

If that is so, what distinguishes the church from a social or civic club or a service organization in which persons find fellowship and friendship? The soil from which the roots of our fellowship/friendship draw their nourishment is quite different: It is theological –

### Scripture readings for Sunday worship

Aug. 7 – Isaiah 1:1-20; Luke 12:32-40

Cleaning the Wounds, Mending the Bones

Aug. 14 – Isaiah 5:1-7; Luke 12:49-56

Aug. 21 – Isaiah 58:9b-14; Luke 13:10-17

Aug. 28 – Psalm 81:1, 10-16; Luke 14:1, 7-14

### Sympathy

... to the family of Eunice Couch.

### Prayer Needs

Email [heather@fbchighpoint.org](mailto:heather@fbchighpoint.org) or call Heather Absher at 336-883-0178 when you or someone in your immediate family is in the hospital and/or is in need of prayer. Please provide their address so we may mail the prayer sheet to them. Please get permission to publish their names on our prayer chain and email and Phonetree notifications. Also please let us know when it is time to remove their name from the list.

grounded in our understanding of God and the world and God's relationship with the world – and biblical – grounded in scripture, our authoritative source for our understanding of God.

Our friendship with one another is rooted in God's friendship with those whom God calls according to God's purpose in the world. In Isaiah 41:8, God speaks of "my servant Jacob, whom I have chosen, the offspring of Abraham, my friend." The book of James speaks of the co-operation of faith and works in our lives by appealing to the example of Abraham, "who believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness, and he was called the friend of God" (2:23).

Jesus puts the co-operation of faith and works this way: "You are my friends if you do what I command you" (John 15:14). And then he elaborates on our friendship when he says in the next verse, "I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing, but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father."

Our friendship/fellowship with one another is rooted in our friendship with God in Jesus Christ as an expression of the co-operation of faith and works in our lives, individually and collectively.

– Jeff Rogers, Interim Minister

### Church Conference Report

On July 17, organizational directors elected were Rob Fincher, ushers; Wayne Perdue, Sunday School Superintendent; and Linda Winslow, Missions Chair.

Elected for the Committee to Nominate Deacons were Mike McGaha, Betsy Hines, Alicia Hunnicutt, T.L. Smith, and Joni Brooks.

Betsy Hines was elected to fill the unexpired term of Rick Hines on the Music Committee.

Abby Williams said more volunteers are needed to work the lobby desk.

Treasurer Don Myers gave a brief report. See his report in this Herald.

### Staff

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## Financial Report for June 2022

Through June we are running similar to a year ago: first half 2022 receipts of \$155,651 and spending of \$133,889 as compared to 2021 receipts of \$151,840 and spending of \$134,718. The small surplus at mid-year will help to get through the sum-

mer months. June through August are typically our lowest receipts – as shown by the month of June receipts of \$17,097. Our average spending is between \$22,000 and \$23,000 per month (and that's without surprises) so when you see the

weekly receipts and see numbers below \$5,500, we're spending out of reserves until there's a catch up week. So don't forget that the work and the costs go on during summer.

Don Myers, treasurer

## A Simple Gesture



Please remember to pick up a Simple Gestures bag, fill it with non-perishable food items and return it to the Recreation Lobby. Hunger is real in the High Point area and your "simple gesture" can make a difference in many lives. Empty bags may be picked up in the RMC lobby. Full bags may be returned to the same location. The next green bag pick up is **July 31**.

Thank you for participating in this mission!  
Linda Winslow, Missions Director



## Totes by John

On Tuesday mornings a group meets from 9-Noon in the sewing machine room to make tote bags for patients that are being discharged from High Point Regional Hospital. Patients receive a bag with an encouraging note to assist in their discharge. Nearly 20,000 totes have been made. We also make walker bags. We would love to have you join us. No experience necessary. Don't know where the sewing machine room is? Ask the receptionist they will be glad to assist you.



## Planned Giving

Are you aware of the many ways you can give to First Baptist Church?

Did you know that First Baptist is available for planned estate giving? We also have the ability to accept stock transfers. Contact Heather Absher for details.

## Christ's Little Acorns Preschool Registration

Registration is now open for the 2022-23 school year for Christ's Little Acorns Preschool.

Free tours are available.

Registration forms may be found at <https://christslittleacornspreschool.org>.

For more information, call 336-889-6169.

## CLA Teachers Wanted

Our teachers prepare our students academically, socially, and spiritually for their journey ahead. What a wonderful team of educators we have! We celebrate the many ways they share the love of Christ.

If you are interested in becoming part of our team of educators as a substitute or teacher, please let us know by emailing Carol and Cindy at [Office@ChristLittleAcorns.org](mailto:Office@ChristLittleAcorns.org).

## Don't forget the Blessing Box



We need to keep the box filled with things that will be a blessing to people in need, like canned food (cans with pop tops are especially helpful), band-aids, diapers, toothbrushes, soap, shampoo, hand warmers and more. Grocery and personal items are the most needed.

Please consider donating to our Blessing Box any time of the year. This is the one thing we can all help with.

You can bring your contributions to the Church Recreation Ministries lobby, but it might be easier to keep up with filling the Blessing Box ourselves if possible. It is in front of the church.



## Greeters

August 7

Adele and Don Myers

August 14

Libby and Mike McGaha

August 21

Lib and Bud Blackwell

August 28

Brian Garis, Janet Odum

## Deacons on Call

August 7

Debbie Edwards

Mike McGaha

August 14

Jeanneen Adamcik

Alisha Hunnicutt

August 21

Donna Willis

Teena Reddeck

August 28

Wayne Perdue

Linda Winslow

# Pastoral Care Line

# 881-6480



## Online Giving

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## Parking Lot

Baseball parking volunteers needed. Tuesdays-Saturdays 5:30-7. Sunday 3-4:30. Please contact Mike McGaha or Bill Logan if you can help.

## RMC Doors

Please note, for safety reasons, the doors to the Recreation Ministries Center will be locked at 10:45 Sunday mornings. If you arrive after that time, please use one of the doors to the sanctuary.

**Deadline for information for the SEPTEMBER Herald is August 22. Please email your information to Carol Brooks at [cab1@north-state.net](mailto:cab1@north-state.net).**

**Sunday Worship  
Live Stream Every Sunday**

**at 11:00 a.m. on**



**Midweek Prayer  
and Bible Study**

**The Virtual Mission  
Returns in September!  
Sundays at 7:00 p.m.**

via Zoom. We will share our cares and concerns and praises, pray together and then engage in a Bible study.

Instructions, the phone number for calling in, and the link for Internet users will be distributed by email prior to each meeting.

## BIRTHDAYS in



Travis Spires	Aug. 5	Janice McMullan	Aug. 23
Jim Hooks	Aug. 6	Wayne Perdue Jr.	Aug. 23
River Griffin	Aug. 9	Brandon Culbreth	Aug. 28
Diania Baum	Aug. 13	Connie Torres Gonzalez	Aug. 28
Neda Burapavong	Aug. 15	Ryan Kelly	Aug. 29
L.F. Pruden	Aug. 15	Sally Hartgrove	Aug. 31
Teena Reddeck	Aug. 21	Melissa Spires	Aug. 31
T.L. Smith	Aug. 21		