

First Baptist Church

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August 5, 2020

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Deacon/Trustee Nominations

Deadline for nominations:
August 16

Nominations for Deacons and Trustees are being taken. You should have received a resident member list of church members, who are eligible to serve as deacons/trustees, in the last newsletter. This list also notes the current deacons/trustees. If you need a list, you may come by the church office to pick one up. Please pray about this and call the person(s) that God lays on your heart to see if they would serve as a deacon or trustee if selected. If the answer is “yes”, please email fbcamy@clintonfbc.us, call 833-2578 or bring the name by the church office. All nominations need to be in the church office by **August 16**.

Worship

Outside Worship

Sundays at 8:30 a.m.

Join us for worship—Music, children’s message and time in God’s word. You may sit in your lawn chair or sit in your car. We would love to see you!!

Livestream Worship

Sundays at 11:00 a.m.

We also have our livestream service on **Sundays at 11:00 a.m. and prayer time on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. online on Facebook** (First Baptist Clinton).

The Stream

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They are like trees planted by streams of water... (Psalm 1:3a)

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Dr. Blake Harwell
Senior Minister



"...love God...extend His love..."

Walking and Praying

August 5, 2020

“First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people” (1 Timothy 2:1).

Our neighbors need us to pray for them. They are hurting, afraid, and uncertain. They are isolated and alone. Paul reminds Timothy (and us) that one of the simplest and yet most powerful and helpful things that we can do for others is to pray for them. Prayer walking is the practice of praying on location, a type of intercessory prayer that involves walking to or near a particular place while praying. It has also been described as praying on-site with insight. Even during this pandemic, it is possible to prayer-walk safely. You can prayer walk with members of your own family or even friends who are within your own virus “bubble.” So, grab your masks and go take a walk (and pray)! Here are a few tips for you as you go:

- Walk slowly to allow time to observe and cover the community in prayer. The key is intercession for people.
- If you know your neighbor, pray for specific needs you already know about.
- If you don’t know the resident(s) of the home, look for things in their yard to help you pray knowledgeably. For example, toys may indicate the

presence of children or grandchildren, and a camper indicates a love of travel.

- Make it a prayer conversation with the Lord and your team. You can also pray silently at times.
- If you are not sure what to pray for or about, take your Bible and pray scripture as a base for strategic prayer.
- Pray aloud and agree with one another’s prayers. Verbalizing your prayers helps you to focus on the objective of prayer.
- If the process gets awkward or uncomfortable, admit it to your team and ask them to pray.
- If you are asked by someone what you are doing, you can introduce yourselves (if needed), “We’re praying God’s blessing on the neighborhood. We know people are going through a lot these days. Are there specific ways we can pray for you or others?”

When you have completed your prayer walk and you have an encouraging story to share from your experiences, let me know so that we can share it in appropriate ways with the rest of our church family.

Doug, dshenton@clintonfbc.us.

Stewardship Report Cont.

Thru June Year-to-date:

Regular Receipts: \$431,679.00

Regular Disbursements: \$417,546.00

Budget Needs: \$406,133.00

Stewardship Report

Week of July 12, 2020*

Regular Receipts	\$ 12,331.00
Designated	\$ 957.39
Total	\$ 13,288.39

Week of July 19, 2020*

Regular Receipts	\$ 7,533.00
Designated	\$ 490.00
Total	\$ 8,023.00

Week of July 26, 2020*

Regular Receipts	\$ 7,636.00
Designated	\$ 1,140.99
Total	\$ 8,776.99

Week of August 2, 2020*

Regular Receipts	\$ 9,342.00
Designated	\$ 1,440.00
Total	\$ 10,782.00

*Electronic giving not included.

2020 Weekly Budgeted Needs
\$ 16,789.19

June Electronic Giving

Regular Receipts	\$ 18,821.00
Designated	\$ 705.00
Total	\$ 19,526.00

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Student Ministry

6th—12th graders

Some HUGE thank yous to all who have worked so hard to make this summer a possibility for our students...

- Thomas Hellams did a superb job this summer under challenging circumstances bringing a meaningful and God-focused summer to our students. We had weekly small group gatherings full of fun, discussion, and study. We were definitely blessed having Thomas on board this summer. He rose to the occasion and ministered to our students well.

To the many that made SmallStuf happen...

- All our adult leaders that led our students so well (& cleaned and sanitized) – Chandler Black, Amanda Webb Davis, Michelle Womble, Maggie Hellams, Corbitt Thompson, Brindley Harwell Bennett, Blakely Thompson, Barry Wilson, Donald Thompson, Timo-

thy Davis, Thomas Hellams, Braeden Webb, Jeremy Simmons, & Tom Fortman

- Our amazing kitchen crew – Andrea Curtis, Wendy White....and many family helpers
- Our incredible worship leaders – Andrew Wooten, Rachel Stempihar, Braeden Webb, Chris Tippins, Chandler Black, & Nicholas Smith
- Our loving activity hosts – John & Lisa Chapman, Jane Hanna, Gail Cunningham, Gill & Nancy Thomas, Andy & Brandi Patterson, Tom & Ginger MacMillan, David & Paul Nabors
- Our students for giving SmallStuf a chance. We had an amazing weekend that we will never forget. Now let's walk alongside each other as we go out and do BIG STUFF!

Tara Webb, Minister to Students (twebb@clintonfbc.us)

Howard Holcomb Scholarship

Application Deadline: If you are a college or seminary student preparing for a church-related field, you may apply for this scholarship. Applications may be obtained in the church office. Return them to the church office by **August 14, 2020**.

Contributions: The Howard Holcomb Scholarship was established to assist college and seminary students with

their tuition if they are preparing for a church-related field. The interest from the endowment for this scholarship and contribution made throughout the year are used to fund these students. If interested, please make your contributions to this fund by placing it in an envelope and marking Howard Holcomb Fund on the envelope.

Save the Date

Homemade Ice Cream
August 23 @ 6:30 p.m.
Under the Trees

Literature

August monthly literature (*Home Life, Mature Living, Journey, Stand Firm, Parent Life, Living with Teens*) is available. If you need to pick up any of this literature please come by the church on Monday—Thursday 9:00 AM—3:00 PM or Friday 9:00AM—1:00 PM.

Family Promise Update

Our church's host week for Family Promise has been moved up to begin on Sunday, August 16th. CenterPoint Wesleyan Church in Laurens is currently serving as the static site for guest families. Adult Sunday School classes are being asked to provide either groceries or a hot meal for one day of

our host week. Volunteers are also needed to serve as overnight chaperones at CenterPoint. Chaperones sleep in separate quarters at the church in accordance with social distancing protocols. If you are willing to serve as a chaperone, please contact Naomi Broadway, Director, at (864) 871-8630.

Ministry Opportunities**Items for Connie Maxwell**

It is time for the annual mission project through the Laurens Baptist Association. Churches in the association are asked to donate items for Connie Maxwell Children's Home in Greenwood, SC. This year FBC's item is dish detergent. Please bring your dish detergent donations by the church during office hours (Monday—Thursday 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. or Friday 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.). Deadline to drop off your donations to FBC is **August 25**.



United Ministries of Clinton continues to serve those in need in our community. If you would like to donate non-perishable food items, you can bring the items to the church during our office hours (Monday—Thursday 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. or Friday 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. You may send financial donations to United Ministries of Clinton, 500 Academy Street, Clinton, SC 29325.

Homebound—Carl Leonard

601 Hickory St, Clinton, SC 29325

Take time to send Mr. Leonard a card/note.

Volunteers needed

The Piedmont Agency on Aging is in need of volunteers to help pack Meals on Wheels Wednesday mornings from 8:15 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. If you are interested, please call Schea Workman at 864-216-1976 for more information.

Mission Project for August

Crisis Center

P.O. Box 745, Laurens, SC 29360

To make a financial donation to FBC you can use your phone. Text 'fbccclinton' and the money amount you want to give to 73256. 1. Click the link, 2. Complete your gift. Once you set up your giving information, you can give in a matter of seconds. If you have questions, call Emily Plowden at 833-2578.



Dear Church Family, Eddie and I appreciate so much your prayers, phone calls, cards, the food left on our porch, offers to get groceries and every other kindness extended to us during our recent sickness. It goes without saying FBC is a loving, caring church and we are blessed to be a part of you. Our prayer for all of you is to stay well, stay safe and wear that mask! Love, Eddie and Carolyn Ivey

First Baptist Family, Thank you for the cooler of ice, the paper products and supplies. We also thank you for the calls and prayers. It is so nice to have a loving church family during this difficult time. Love, Carl Leonard and family.



Our church family extends their love and sympathy to Nancy Asbill and her family at the death of her sister, Margaret Wallace; to the family of Mrs. Carolyn Neighbors at her death and to Carl Leonard and his family at the death of his wife, Ruth Leonard and at the death of his brother, Wes Leonard.



Carolyn Neighbors

Died July 19, 2020

Wes Leonard, Sr.

Joined FBC August 27, 2006

Died July 19, 2020

Ruth Leonard

Joined FBC February 20, 1977

Died July 22, 2020