

THE MESSENGER

375 West King Street Boone, NC 28607 828-264-2441 February 14, 2023

"Sharing God's Love On This Corner, From This Corner, To Every Corner..."

The Pastor's Corner.....

Dear Church Family,

I want to be sure you are aware of my upcoming Sabbatical. The Sabbatical has been approved by the Personnel Committee and Finance Committee, as well as discussed with the Deacons and the Church Staff. I postponed my Sabbatical for a year as we returned to in person worship and ministry following COVID and then prepared for the arrival of new church staff.

2023 Pastors' Sabbatical, April 17 – June 12, 2023

A Sabbatical for a mid to late career pastor such as myself is an opportunity apart from the daily practice and activity of ministry that provides space for extended reflection on their lives, their pastoral identity, and the long arc of their ministry.

I am blessed to serve a congregation able to provide their pastor with a short-term sabbatical. Through the Personnel Policy Guidelines, in addition to annual vacations and conferences a two-month Sabbatical is earned following every 5 years of service. I last went on Sabbatical in 2016 after beginning ministry with the First Baptist Church of Boone in 2009. I will receive some additional allowances for housing/lodging, an expense allowance, and some food and travel costs while on Sabbatical. Working with the Staff, Personnel Committee, and Deacons, I will have worship and ministry leadership in place during my time away.

Please join me in prayer for my Sabbatical and the importance of 2023 in the life of our church. There is new staff in place, and beginning in August our relationship with Bill Wilson and the Center for Healthy Churches will lead us in Visioning, Dreaming, and Planning. I pray we are positioning ourselves to share God's love on this corner, from this corner, and to every corner in exciting and new ways. There is no better address in Boone than the corner of King and College Street.

Grace and peace, Roy

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Church Calendar

Wednesday, February 15:

9:00 am Prayer Care Group (MR)

5:00-6:00 pm Fellowship Meal (FH)

6:00 pm Adult Winter Bible Study (FH)

6:00 pm M&M's Children's Music and Missions

6:00 pm Childcare/Mission Friends (CA)

6:00 pm Youth Group (YS)

7:00 pm Chancel Choir (MS)

Sunday, February 19:

9:30 am Sunday Morning Bible Study

10:30 am Sanctuary Worship

11:30 am Children's Valentine Tea Party (P)

12:30 pm Worship Rebroadcast Charter Channel 191

12:30 pm Enrichment SMBS Class (Zoom)

3:30 pm Deacons Meeting (CR)

5:00 pm Church Conference (FH)

Monday, February 20:

3:00 pm-6:00 pm HHC@FBC

Tuesday, February 21:

10:00 am Church Staff Meeting (CR)

5:30 pm Children/Preschool Committee (L)

Wednesday, February 22:

9:00 am Prayer Care Group (MR)

5:00-6:00 pm Fellowship Meal (FH)

6:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service (S)

6:00 pm Childcare/Mission Friends (CS)

7:00 pm Chancel Choir (MS)

Thursday, February 23:

Region 7 Meeting-Sulphur Springs Baptist Church-Hiddenite

Sunday, February 26:

First Sunday of Lent

9:30 am Sunday Morning Bible Study

10:30 am Sanctuary Worship

12:30 pm Worship Rebroadcast Charter Channel 191

12:30 pm Enrichment SMBS Class (Zoom)

Monday, February 27:

3:00 pm-6:00 pm HHC@FBC



Sunday, February 19, 2023 5:00 pm Fellowship Hall Make plans now to join us for the first conference of 2023.



Ash Wednesday Service Wednesday, February 22nd 6:00 pm Sanctuary

(Child Care/Mission Friends available for ages birth-Kindergarten.)

2022 Giving Statements

It has come to our attention several end of year giving statements from 2022 are incorrect. Please call Billy Ralph if you have errors on your statement and he will make the corrections.

Sunday Greeters

One of the important ministries of FBC is greeting. Each Sunday our greeters use their smiles and kind welcoming words to serve others on this corner.

They are greeting our members and making our visitors feel welcome before Sunday Morning Bible Study and Sanctuary Worship in the King Street and College Street lobbies. I want to thank each greeter for their time, commitment, and welcoming words sharing God's love each Sunday.

Karen DeHart, Skip and Dee Greene, Peggy Hagaman, Jamie Hayes, Ken and Pam Schram, Sue Shoemake, the Ann and Mike Wilson family.

and Ann Winkler.

MORE GREETERS ARE NEEDED. IF YOU WOULD CONSIDER BEING A GREETER, PLEASE TALK TO DEE GREENE (262-1072) or email at gpgreene@charter.net



Attention Spring Cleaners

If you have any old silk flowers that you would like to discard, please send them our way. The Children's Department would like to repurpose them for craft projects and decorations. Donated flowers may be left in the children's suite or given to any member of the children's committee. Thank you!!



Weather Reminder

In case of inclement weather please listen to local radio station, check Raysweather.com, or GoBlueRidge.net for closings or cancellations.



Jackie Adams
Dorothy Broderick
Dayton Cole
Curt Collins
Sandy Conroy

Laura Graham Connie Greene Bekah Hayes Betty Hayes Jane Ann Hodges Josephine Isaacs Mary Lee Pope James Sherwood Catherine Tester Gary Wheeler

Pam Humler Home

Dallas Cheek, Mickey Hagaman, Andy Stallings

Hospitals/Nursing Homes/Assisted Living Residents

Addison Assisted Living: Barbara Kinsey
Appalachian Brian Estates: Beth Hill (320), Robert Denton (333),
Ted Hagaman, Sr. (221), Anna Boyce Phillips (313)
Deerfield Ridge Assisted Living: Don Fulton, Glenda Vance (B-4)
Vienna Village Assisted Living: Betty Reary
Villages of Wilkes: Melvrene Padgett (113)

Missionary Friends of First Baptist Church

Beth Cherbony: *Brazil*Melanie Edwards: *Myanmar*Bill and Carolyn Murray: *Wycliffe, NM*Jim Bob and Kenia Norman: *Nicaragua*Mark and Kim Wyatt: *Welcome House Ministry NC*

Deacon of the Week February 15-21, 2023 Ruth Hagaman 828-292-1536 Ihagaman@bellsouth.net

Deacon of the Week February 22-28, 2023 Jamie Hayes 828-773-0884 jamie.hayes43@gmail.com

Teller Schedule February 2023

Talana Trexler, Bill Warden



WELCOME!

Garrett Compton: Watchcare Jason, Robin, Autumn, Ethan Gardner: Previous Baptism, Statement of Faith Lauren Gardner: Candidate for Baptism Church Contact Information Church Office: (828) 264-2441

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February 15

Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Green Beans, Garlic Bread, Specialty Cake <u>February 22</u>

Fried Fish, Cole Slaw, French Fries, Hushpuppies, Chocolate Cake



Extended Session

Sunday, February 19, 2023:

Team Leader: Roni Ellis Members: Emmy Hagaman, Hannah Phillips, Josey Thibodeau Sunday, February 26, 2023:

Team Leader: Kim Woodrow

Members: Robin Gardner, Freda Greene, Carol Warden



You are invited to the February 2023 Regional Mission Rallies.

Please register at least one week prior to the rally.

To register go to www.baptistmission.org/rallies
or call Melanie Crawford at 919-459-5596.



HHC@FBC Says "THANK YOU!"

Your food pantry donations totaled 305 pounds! The many volunteers of the HHC@FBC are very grateful for your donations to this year's Souper Bowl of Caring.



"KRISTEL'S KLOSET" OF HHC@FBC

THE HYGIENE CLOSET IS IN NEED OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS, WHICH MAY BE DROPPED OF AT THE CHURCH OFFICE: LAUNDRY DETERGENT/PODS, DISH DETERGENT, LADIES AND MEN'S DEODORANT, SHAMPOO FOR ALL AGES, BODY WASH, SOAP FOR ALL AGES, BABY WIPES.