



## Bazaar

**Saturday, November 5**  
**Multipurpose Room**  
**8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon**

There are many ways you can help. All proceeds will be given to **Crisis Assistance Ministry**.

- ▶ volunteer to help with the casserole/food workshops  
October 29, November 3 (each at 9:30 a.m.)
- ▶ donate crafts
- ▶ donate foods for the Breakfast Café
- ▶ donate home-baked goods  
can include cakes, pies, cookies, candies, breads, snack mixes, casseroles, home-canned vegetables and pickles, etc.
- ▶ volunteer to help with setup and cleanup
- ▶ volunteer to help during the Bazaar
- ▶ purchase raffle tickets for a beautiful butterfly quilt
- ▶ help spread the word about this year's Bazaar and invite someone to attend with you

**Non-perishable items can be brought between now and Thursday November 4**

**Perishable items should be brought on Thursday, November 3 or Friday, November 4 by 5:00 p.m.**

***There is something each of us can do to help with the Bazaar!***

## Missions-First

The Board of Missions encourages you to be involved in the mission endeavors of First Baptist Church. Each week a list of current endeavors is published in the newsletter. Take a moment to check the list and decide where you would like to help.

- **The Loose Change Offering** for October will benefit Operation Warm Hearts which provides new or gently used coats and new blankets for children and adults in Union County.
- **Trunk or Treat** - This Monday, October 31 in the church parking lot. One need is for candy donations — place in the Gathering Area.
- **Fall Bazaar** - Saturday, November 5 in the Multipurpose Room with all proceeds going to Crisis Assistance Ministry. The adjacent article lists the many ways you can help.
- **Operation Christmas Child** - Our youth will be collecting items through November for the Shoe Boxes which will be sent to children all over the world during the Christmas season.
- **School Uniform Closet** - First Baptist provides school uniforms for children in need in Union County Schools. Especially needed: navy blue collared shirts in M, L, XL and khaki pants (girls and boys) in sizes 6-14. Contact Glenda Poindexter to help.
- **Food Paks 4 Kids ministry** provides food-filled backpacks on weekends for children at Rock Rest Elementary. A list of needed food items can be found on the church website. Please place donations in the Gathering Area. Contact Carol Tyson to help.
- **Loaves & Fishes** is requesting contributions of all types of canned fruits for October. Place donations in the marked bin in the Gathering Area.
- **Red Cross Blood Drive** - co-sponsored by our church and Benton Heights Lions Club. The next date for the Blood Drive is December 16, 2:30-7:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room.

Thank you for helping!

# Church Calendar

## Sunday, October 30

- 8:00 AM Men's Fellowship Breakfast at Hilltop
- 9:30 AM Bible Fellowship
- 10:30 AM Preschool Extended Session
- 10:45 AM Service of Worship
- 12:00 PM College Class Lunch/Bible Study  
Youth Lunch/Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 2:00 PM Youth go to Stegall House Fall Festival
- 5:00 PM Children Worship & Wonder Team
- 7:00 PM Chancel Ringers

## Monday, October 31

- 6:00 PM Trunk or Treat
- 6:30 PM TOPS

## Tuesday, November 1 — All Saints Day

- 9:30 AM Crafters on Mission

## Wednesday, November 2

- 5:30 PM Fellowship Meal  
*Buffet: smorgasbord, dessert*  
**Cost:** \$7.00 for age 12-adults  
\$3.00 for 11 and under  
\$20.00 maximum per family

- 6:15 PM Child Care  
Children's Music  
Adult Bible Study

- 7:15 PM Chancel Choir

## Thursday, November 3

- 9:30 AM Casserole Workshop for Bazaar
- 7:00 PM Faith in Fiction Book Club

## Friday, November 4

- 9:00 AM Set up for Fall Bazaar

## Saturday, November 5

- 8:00 AM Fall Bazaar



Monday, October 31  
6:00—7:00 p.m.

### Still Need:

volunteers to decorate their trunk & provide candy  
volunteers to help throughout the event

### lots and lots of donated candy

(place in marked bin in the Gathering Area)

## Nominating Committee ...

is now meeting to select nominees for the Senior Minister Search Committee. They want to thank the congregation for submitting 119 recommendation forms containing 92 individual names. Please pray for them during this process.

## WMU ...

Our WMU is collecting 4-5 oz. bars of bath soap for the Women's Correctional Center. The Union Baptist Association's goal is to collect 500 bars. A basket has been placed in the Gathering Area for donations, which need to be in by November 7.

## By the Numbers ...

### Sunday, October 23, 2011

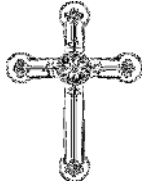
Bible Fellowship Attendance.....	86
Worship Attendance.....	103
Weekly Budget Requirements.....	\$ 9,853
Budget Receipts .....	\$ 6,945
Budget Requirements to Date .....	\$78,824
Budget Receipts to Date .....	\$62,395

### Pastoral Care Emergencies

Minister on Call October 29-November 5  
Sara Spahr Stubbs — 704-291-2204



Join members of the  
**FAITH IN FICTION BOOK CLUB**  
Thursday, November 3 at 7:00 pm  
as they discuss Clyde Edgerton's book  
**The Night Train**



# The Worship of God

October 30 - 10:45 am

## Anthem by the Choral Scholars

*"Bonse Aba" - Traditional Zambian Song*

## Anthem by the Chancel Choir

*"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" by Michael Burkhardt*

## Sermon by Gene Derryberry

*"Humble Yourselves"*

Scripture: I Thessalonians 2:9-13; Psalm 43; Matthew 23:1-12

*Audio CDs of our worship services are available in the church office.  
Audio recordings of sermons are available at  
[www.monroefirstbaptist.org](http://www.monroefirstbaptist.org)*

## Committees

### **Bible Fellowship Greeters:**

Then-n-Now Class

### **Church Office Volunteer:**

Jane Hawkins

### **Security:**

Gathering Area - R. V. Lee

Narthez-Joel Myers

### **Ushers:**

Joel Myers, Gene Herrell, Dean and Angie

Baskins

### **Offertory:**

Mike and Frances Knight, Jon Mackay,

Max Melton

### **Preschool Extended Session:**

Robin Haas, Eleanor O'Neill

### **Money Counters:**

Mary Ellen Hopper, Aileen Sowder

### **Wednesday Night Helpers (November 2):**

Diane Whitley, Annette Kilby, Pat Turner,

Ken Thomas

## Survey ...

The Transition Team has developed a survey concerning the qualities that church members would like to have in our next senior minister. The survey results will be added to our Church Profile and used by the Senior Minister Search Committee. The survey will be given to members attending worship this Sunday, October 30, and again to those attending Wednesday evening activities on November 2.

The Transition Team urges resident members to be in church this Sunday or November 2 to complete the survey.

## FBC

### Mission Minded Youth

**October 30**

Stegall House Fall Festival

**November 5**

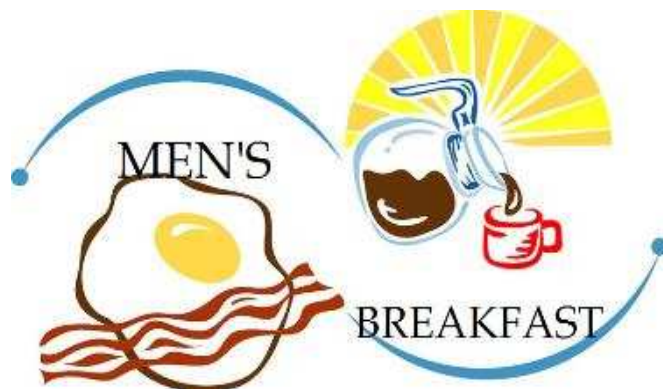
Habitat for Humanity

**November 13**

Lunch at the Community Shelter

**November 20**

Prepare Punch/Cookies for Parade



**This Sunday, October 30, 8:00 a.m.  
Hilltop Restaurant**

Reservations are not needed

## First Baptist Family

*Please remember the following in prayer:*

Arleigh Gaskins

Joel Myers

Claire Trowbridge

Martha Barrett, sister of Jane Austin

Wert Carte, friend of Denise Hopper

Gavin Jones, great-nephew of Richard and

Emily Massey

John Kilby, father of Alvin Kilby

Gordon Springs

Deb Stein

Alvin Robinson, father of Annette Kilby

Carol Brooks, mother of Pam Caskey

Ritch Hothem, cousin of Don Haver

Jeanne Sikes, friend of Kiki Myers

## What do you like best about Bible Fellowship (aka Sunday School)?

Is it your teacher(s) or your friends in the class? Is it the Bible study that you have in your class? Or, could it be that all of the above fits why you like Bible Fellowship? Whatever the reason is that you attend, we are so glad that you do.

On Sunday, November 6 we will have **“High Attendance Day”**; not just for numbers but for getting ones that have not attended in a while to come back to church. We miss you!

Time changes that Sunday (November 6) and you get to sleep in an extra hour. This is a perfect time to make a change and start a fresh by coming to “Bible Fellowship”. We need you. See you then!

— Paula Lee, Bible Fellowship Director



It will soon be Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Time again. During the month of November, our Mission Minded Youth Group is asking for donations of items that they will assemble into shoe boxes at the end of the month. Items to donate include:

**Small Toys** (toys, balls, stuffed animals, yo-yos, jump ropes, etc.—**no war related toys**)

**School Supplies** (pens, pencils, crayons, markers, paper, etc.)

**Hygiene Items** (toothbrush, toothpaste, bar soap, comb, wash cloth, etc.—**nothing liquid**)

**Other** (hard candy, gum, gloves, socks, hair accessories)

Bins will be in the Gathering Area during November for your donations. Last year, you helped us fill over 50 boxes! On Sunday, November 27, the Mission Minded Youth Group will pack the shoe boxes and then take them to the OCC Warehouse in Charlotte on Friday, December 2. If you prefer to fill your own box, please drop it off at the church between November 27 and December 1, and our Mission Minded Youth Group will deliver it for you. Thanks for your ongoing support of our Youth Group as we serve our community in the name of Jesus Christ!

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**MISSION STATEMENT OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH:** *The First Baptist Church of Monroe exists to glorify God. We desire to be led by the Holy Spirit into the community and the world in order to share the glory and grace of God through Jesus Christ. We are an open fellowship of free and faithful Christians, committed to a journey characterized by serious study, intentional worship, loving and compassionate fellowship and hands-on ministry.*

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# Birthdays & Anniversaries

The following members of our church family are observing anniversaries and birthdays in November. For additions or corrections, please contact the church office.

## Anniversaries

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| 10 - Tom and Holley Pegram         | 12 - Ed Varney, Suzanne Walters                             |
| 18 - Carlton and Carol Tyson       | 13 - Brooks Humphries                                       |
| 22 - Jim and Claire Trowbridge     | 14 - Evelyn Cassels   |
| 29 - Harold and Pauline Funderburk | 15 - Judith Laughlin  |
| 30 - R. V. and Paula Lee           | 16 - Denise Hopper  |
| 31 - Ken and Nina Hedgepath        | 18 - Bob Duncan, Jane Herrell                               |
|                                    | 21 - A. J. McCollum   |
|                                    | 22 - Tim McBride  |
|                                    | 24 - Katherine Ward   |
|                                    | 25 - Katherine Cox  |
|                                    | 26 - Neal Hinson, Lois Jones, Gerri Kessel,<br>Pat McMullen |
|                                    | 27 - Nathan Hopper, Ruby Singleton                          |
|                                    | 29 - Sonda Cox, Gary Jewell, Pauline Medlin                 |

## Birthdays

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| 1 - David Kimbrell, Claire Trowbridge           |  |
| 2 - Ann Handy                                   |  |
| 4 - Debby McBride, David McGuirt                |  |
| 6 - Delana Helms, J. T. Nance, Linda Sims       |  |
| 7 - Rachel Hissam, Eleanor O'Neill, Max Penegar |  |

JOIN US FOR ...

## *An Evening of Gospel Music*

Sunday, November 6 at 7:00 p.m.

*featuring*

The Chancel Choir, Choral Scholars & soloists  
accompanied by Timothy Belflowers

— INVITE A FRIEND —

## 2nd Sunday Series ...

We invite all adults to join us for our first installment of the 2011-2012 Second Sunday Series. On Sunday evening, November 13, we will gather from 5:00-7:00 pm for supper and a conversation and activities that help us to "Prepare for Advent." Come, join us for a meal of soups and stews provided by the Board of Christian Education. Learn about symbols of Advent, prepare some new Chrismons for our church's Chrismon Tree or do some writing for some Advent devotions. It is a time to get the congregation of First Baptist Church ready for the observance of Advent and Christmas. There is no charge for the meal and no reservations are needed. We hope that you can join us on November 13 as we "Prepare for Advent." The next event in our Second Sunday Series will be on January 8, as we explore "Poetry as Faith Statements" with Dr. Sylvia Little-Sweat of Wingate University.

## Can you play an instrument?

Interested in playing in an ensemble?

If so, contact Jean Duck, Gary Jewell or Paul Sims

# November 2011

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13 Les Robinson preaching Second Sunday Series, 5:00 pm, MPR	14	15	16 Children's Thanksgiving Program, 6:20 pm	17 Provide Lunch for Operation Reach-Out, noon	18	19																																																																																																		
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