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Director of Music

Diane Hoyle

Administrative Secretary

Pastor's Note

On Sunday, September 1, we are beginning a new sermon series on transitions. The main character of our series is the prophet Elijah. His story is found in 1 Kings. It begins abruptly in the first verse of the 17th chapter which reads, "Now Elijah the Tishbite, of Tishbe in Gilead, said to Ahab, 'As the Lord the God of Israel lives, before whom I stand, there shall be neither dew nor rain these years, except by my word.'" This is the only introduction Elijah gets. Stephen Hayner observes, "The first time that we meet the prophet Elijah in the Bible, he is being sent to warn Ahab that what he is doing was destructive...This was no doubt a tough assignment for the inexperienced prophet from the backwoods of Gilead. There was nothing in Elijah's background which would induce the king to listen. He wasn't from a powerful family; he wasn't wealthy; he wasn't even a priest."

Would we listen to one like Elijah? Would we listen to one we do not know? Would we listen to someone who does not have the respected credentials of the institution or academia? Even more applicable to us would we listen to each other, the body of Christ that God has sent us?

Ahab does not listen. He continues in his evil ways. His wife, Jezebel, supports him at every turn. His failings lead to his downfall. Elijah is there every step of the way reminding him of his opportunity to change his ways. May we always listen to the ones God has sent us as the Spirit leads us through the transitions before us.

Grace and peace,
Michael

The Beacon

September 1, 2019

"Live by faith; reach out in love; make disciples of all."

VOTE

We will vote on the following on Sunday, September 8th: Deacon nominations, Nominating Report, and the 2019/2020 Budget. This vote will follow the 9 am service and the 11 am service.



One-Day Bible School
Saturday, September 21, 2019

We need your help! If you would like to volunteer to help us work with these kids for this day, please call the office to sign up. You will be blessed!

Business Meeting Update

At our quarterly business meeting, a request was made to describe various worship styles being discussed. Included as an insert, please see the brief explanation of the worship styles discussed



Youth Program
Wednesdays - 6:00 pm



Children's Program
Wednesdays - 6:00 pm
This program will resume on
September 11th

Gifts & Receipts

(\$5649.52 per week needed for budget) *

Sunday, August 18, 2019

Undesignated Gifts: \$ 3178.00

Designated Gifts: \$ 100.00

Sunday, August 25, 2019

Undesignated Gifts: \$ 5670.28

Designated Gifts: \$ 410.00

Thank You

A grateful "thank you" to all who helped with the Teacher Appreciation lunch.

- 1) Those who made donations in memory of Margaret Church.
- 2) Jan Berry - Favors & Door prizes
- 3) Don Bumgarner & T.W. Wall - cut up the chickens
- 4) Dessert makers: Penny Roark, Susan Sherrill, Sylvia Webb, Phyllis Garrison, Gerri Bridges, Joyce Wall
- 5) Those who cooked, served, and cleaned up: Meg Bumgarner, Joyce Wall, Margaret Self, Tracy Crump, Rhonda Abernathy.

It takes a Village -- or a Church Team!

REMINDER

CRBA Toy Store box collection - box is located right outside the Sanctuary in the hall. Suggested items are: Legos/Blocks, Crafts, Art Supplies, Fischer Price Toys, Model Rocket & Car Kits, Jewelry, Watches, Soccer Balls, Batteries, Tooth brushes, Tooth paste. Remember, new toys still in their boxes are requested.

Prayer Concerns
September, 2019

Steven Abernathy	Chase Griffin
Neil Arney Jr.	Sam /Janet Griffin
Joe/Pauline Arseneau	Pat Gupton
Beatrice Baker	Bud Harvey Family
Greg/Kim Baker	Thomas Holland
Morris Baker	Jane Huffman - Stone
Reba Baker - Morg.	Ridge, Cary
Long Term - Rm 307	Vivian Kizer
Bill Berry	Matt Matthews
Joyce Boone & Family	Barbara Miller
Juanita Bradford	College Pines - Rm 404
Jerry Bradshaw	Edith Mitchell
Steve Brown - Magnolia Ln, Morganton	Christine Nix - Cambridge Hse-Hildebran
Lana Buchanan	Margaret Nunnery
Sam Buchanan	Tricia Offutt
Naomi Buff	Evelyn Page
Gleta Byrd	Lloyd Powell Jr.
Susie Campbell	Frank Queen
David/Linda Cassida	Willadean Rector-The Berkley-Morganton-Rm 305
Winona Childres	Mary Anne Ritchie
Blair Church	Deanna Rose
Dawn Ward Cline	Nathan Rybak
Judy Huffman Crawley	Lillian Scoot
Alex Cunningham	Albert Setzer
Albert Deal	Emily Slone
Dale Deal	Tracy Smith
Hazel Dellinger	Renee Taylor
Miranda Dempsey	Denise White
Donnie Dupree	Kim Williams
Rev. Dale Faulkenbury	Dennis Wise
Cpt. Harrison Fletcher	Don Wood
Chris/Oren Frye	Brenda Woody
Doyle Green	Elizabeth Woody
Olene Griffin	

On The Calendar

Sunday, September 8 - Food/Clothing Ministry, 4:30 pm

Wednesday, September 11 - Drexel KID resumes, 6:00 pm

Monday, September 16 - Deacons meeting, 6:00 pm

Tuesday, September 17 - Missions meeting, 6:00 pm

Thursday, September 19 - Finance meeting, 7:00 pm

DEACON NOMINEES-2019/2020

- Bert Eastwood
- Gene Kirby
- Linda Swann

Please Note

The Church Office will be closed on Friday, August 30th and Monday, September 2nd in observance of Labor Day.

MINISTRY FOCUS

Finance Ministry

In our experience as members of DFBC, we have been aware of the generosity of this fellowship. Funding has always been available to support the main ministries of this congregation. In addition to the State Baptist Convention and the cooperative Baptist fellowship, we contribute to the South Mountain Baptist Camp and Children's Home, Burke United Christian Ministries, Local Missions, Hospice, and others.

The Finance Ministry is responsible for recommending a yearly budget to the church body for adoption by the membership. An adopted budget governs the dispersion of all regular spending within the church. A copy of the proposed budget for 2019/2020 is available at the church or church office.

There are several ways one may contribute to the church: our regular tithes, projects designated by the church body, special offerings, estate donations, memorials, etc.

Who may serve on the Finance Ministry? Any DFBC church member nominated by the Nominating Ministry and elected by the church, may serve 3 years, in addition to the church elected treasurer.

In addition, two church members have been asked by the Finance Ministry to review the financial status and bank statements each month.

The church is solvent and with God's help and our generosity and frugality, we must remain solvent.
T.W. Wall, Chair, Finance Ministry

PLEASE NOTE

The 2018/2019 Budget Church Year ends on September 30th. All bills, receipts must be submitted to the office by Wednesday, September 25th to be paid out of this budget year. Any bills incurred that will come in after September 30th will be paid out of the new budget church year.

BEACON

The next Beacon will go out on September 16th. Call the office by Thursday, September 12th if you want something in the Beacon.