

Blessed is
the man
that
trusteth
in the
Lord,
and
whose
hope
the
Lord
is.
Jeremiah
17:7



The First Family

"To be found faithful as God's People."

AUGUST 2021

FROM YOUR PASTOR

Don't Miss Out!

The church family is finding great benefits and joy from involvement with the Gospel to Every Home. We are approaching a thousand homes that have been visited and should be there by the time this newsletter reaches you. This emphasis has moved our average weekly outreach attendance from three to five participants to nearly twenty-five a week. We have had over forty of our members that have gone on a soul-winning visit at least one time. Our prayer is that this number will continue to grow. The benefit to the participants has been a literal revival in their personal walk with Jesus. The conversations with our neighbors across the town and county has renewed focus on personal Bible study, increased the urgency and specificity in prayer, restored the joy of salvation which in turn impacts corporate worship, and has created a deep burden for those who are unsaved.

We were quite pleased with our first annual Sports Camp on July 19 and 20. We registered twenty-seven participants with most being from outside our church family. The camp focused on the basic fundamentals of basketball and the fundamentals of the faith in regard to salvation. The gospel was shared through an opening devotional time using an appropriate basketball emphasis that illustrated the concept and then re-enforced with an evangel cube during the twenty-minute faith station that each age group went through in their rotations. Our plans would be to build on this and to add the sport of archery next summer.

It has been a blessing to accomplish some needed updates around our facilities in the past few months. We have been able to completely re-pave the rest of our parking lots and to upgrade the flooring in our Youth Room. Your faithful giving has allowed us to do this debt-free! Our group of nine adults and children enjoyed a great camp experience at Crossings Camp July 23-26. The church family was able to encourage the ministries at Clear Creek, Oneida, Sunrise, and Avenues for Women through our annual Blessings Offering that allowed us to send each ministry a gift of \$1,500 during these summer months. Revival services are scheduled for October 31-November 3. Our evangelist will be Scott Newton Smith from Atlanta, Georgia and our music will be led by Dave Stahl. Begin praying daily for this special emphasis. While you are praying for a genuine revival for our church and spiritual awakening for our community, please pray that we as a body of Christ will have wisdom as we begin work with our Nominating Team to plan and structure our ministry in the year ahead. Consider what the Lord is leading you to do and be willing to step up and into that role.

It is certainly an exciting time as we consider that the fields are truly white unto harvest. Let us pray for more laborers to be sent into the fields and please be willing to say, "Lord, here am I, send me." Don't Miss Out on what the Lord is doing among us!

Blessings,

Bro. Brad



OWENTON
FIRST BAPTIST

NOMINATING COMMITTEE
PLANNING

Pray and be ready to respond and give input on how you will serve our Lord through your local church in the next year!!

JOIN US ON

**Mondays and Tuesdays at 6:30
p.m. and Saturdays at 10:30 a.m.
to take**



FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS

Another month has passed, and God has been gracious to us. I am looking forward to this next month. This summer the youth have heard the gospel and had steady Biblical teaching; we are now about to send them into the school system to make an impact for the kingdom. So, pray that the Lord will work through them to reach the lost and will use them to be Godly examples.

One of my favorite scriptures is Luke 12:22-34, where Jesus is teaching about anxiety. This text is comforting to me, God provides for the flowers and the birds so how much more will he provide for us. It's a simple message but one we must constantly preach to ourselves. A great scholar once said all that we have is needful and all that we don't have isn't needful. God will never let his children lack anything they need; he has always been faithful, and he will never stop being faithful. I encourage you to pick up your Bible when you feel anxious because the Bible is filled with stories showing his faithfulness.

I pray you have a great month and remember I am praying for you!

In his grace,
Wesley

MEMORIALS

Darlene Osborne Billy and Janice Riddle

MUSIC AND MEDIA

What a summer! It was very different than last year...and I'm so glad it was!! From summer camps and our first ever sports camp, to our Alaska Mission Trip and the many opportunities we've had to meet together in worship, this summer has been wonderful. Thank you to everyone who made these things possible!

Even though summer has been filled with all these amazing opportunities and memories, I can't help but be even more excited for what the upcoming months have in store. Fall is my favorite season for multiple reasons!

The biggest reason to celebrate is Choir starts back this month!!

Can I get an amen and a hallelujah!!

It has been WAY too long without a choir and I praise God that we are getting to start back! We will resume our regular rehearsal schedule starting August 8th at 5:00 p.m. This is a fresh start to the choir year and we would love to have you be a part of our choir family. **Reading music is not a requirement!** You just have to have a heart to sing praises to the Lord and be a part of this great ministry. Choir is open to 7th grade and up but special circumstances can be made if someone really wants to join!

This season we will meet Sunday evenings 5:00-6:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary instead of the choir room. This gives us a little more room to spread out and still social distance a little bit. Come be a part of this worshipful ministry. If you have any questions please come talk to me or catch a choir member when you see them.

I look forward to seeing the choir again, both old and new members!

Soli Deo Gloria,

Bro. Chuck

REVIVAL MEETING 2021 OCTOBER 31-NOVEMBER 3

Evangelist: Scott Newton Smith

Music Evangelist: Dave Stahl

Begin praying now for our Revival!



August

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>1</p> <p>9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Morning Service</p> <p>10:00-10:45 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p>3:00 p.m. Annual Association Meeting Long Ridge</p>	<p>2</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Outreach</p>	<p>3</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Outreach</p>	<p>4</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Manna in the Morning</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Mid-week Service</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Main Street Youth</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Outreach</p>
<p>8</p> <p>9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Morning Service</p> <p>10:00-10:45 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p>5:00 p.m. Choir</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Evening Service</p> <p>7:30 p.m. Deacon's Meeting</p>	<p>9</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Outreach</p>	<p>10</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Outreach</p>	<p>11</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Manna in the Morning</p> <p>5:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Mid-week Service/ Business Meeting</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Youth-Chick-Fil-A night at Wesley's</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Outreach</p>
<p>15</p> <p>9:00 and 11:00 Morning Service</p> <p>10:15-10:45 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p>5:00 p.m. Choir</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Evening Service</p>	<p>16</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Outreach</p>	<p>17</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Outreach</p>	<p>18</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Manna in the Morning</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Midweek Service</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Main Street Youth</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Outreach</p>
<p>22</p> <p>9:00 and 11:00 "Lay Day" Service</p> <p>10:15-10:45 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p>5:00 p.m. Choir</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Evening Service</p>	<p>23</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Outreach</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Meeting the Needs 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and 6:00-8:00 p.m.</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Outreach</p>	<p>25</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Manna in the Morning</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Midweek Service</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Main Street Youth</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Outreach</p>
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AUGUST VOLUNTEERS

NURSERY VOLUNTEER

8/1: Andi and Jared Fitzgerald
8/8: Mike and Sarah Cobb
8/15: Rebecca and Ella Mills
8/22: Tim and Sherry Craigmyle
8/29: Lindsay Smith and Dana Gill
9/5: Mary Helen Smith and Martha Murray

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

8/1: Lindsay and Josh Smith
8/8: Blair and Jonathan Baldwin
8/15: Danielle and Brandon Stephens
8/22: Wesley and Kaylah Hadden
8/29: Kendall and Danny O'Toole

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH STAFF

BRAD BANKS — PASTOR
WESLEY HADDEN — FAMILY MINISTER
CHUCK HARRIS — WORSHIP & MEDIA PASTOR
SUSAN STOWE — MINISTRY ASSISTANT



<u>8/1</u> Leigh Hawkins Chanceney Perkins	<u>8/12</u> Katelyn Sutherland	<u>8/21</u> Kaylah Hadden
<u>8/2</u> Vicki Hudson Linda McDanell Davis Smith	<u>8/13</u> Cam Logan	<u>8/22</u> Michael Wash
<u>8/3</u> Kim Juett	<u>8/14</u> Allison Dempsey	<u>8/23</u> Isaac Wash
<u>8/7</u> Brian David Ransdell	<u>8/15</u> Brandon Kemper Denny O'Toole	<u>8/25</u> Charles Carter, Jr. Jane Ellen Watkins
<u>8/8</u> Cheryl Chandler Michaela Gibson Don Hudson Lyndsi McNally	<u>8/16</u> Candace Bourne Smith	<u>8/26</u> Lauren Wooten
<u>8/9</u> Chuck Harris	<u>8/18</u> Seth Kingkade Don Perkins Shawn Power	<u>8/28</u> Lauren Bielawski
	<u>8/19</u> Phillip Perkins	<u>8/29</u> Ruth Kingkade
	<u>8/20</u> Kendall O'Toole	<u>8/30</u> Meredith Lewis Kim Webster

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