

Welcome visitors! As Jesus Christ welcomes each one of us, we hope you sense the friendly welcome of this congregation of God's people. Let us know how we can be of assistance to you!

CALENDAR: November 12 - November 19

Sunday, November 12

Breakfast, FH	8:45
Sunday School	9:30
Worship, Sanctuary	10:30
Alternative Gift Fair, FH	11:45
@The Table Rehearsal, FH	3:00
Deacons, P	3:30
Youth class, YR	4:00
@The Table Worship, FH	5:00
Youth Fellowship Session, P	6:30

Tuesday, November 14

Magdalene Circle, P	10:00
AWCM, downstairs	4:00
Chancel Ringers	7:00

Wednesday, November 15

Prayer and Bible study, P	9:30
WNL, FH	5:45
Chancel Choir	7:30

Thursday, November 16

AWCM, downstairs	4:00
Stephen Ministers, L	6:30
Christian Education, P	7:00

Friday, November 17

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Sunday, November 19

Sunday School	9:30
Worship, Sanctuary	10:30
@The Table Rehearsal, FH	3:00
Biblical Justice Forum, L	3:30
Youth class, YR	4:00
@The Table Worship, FH	5:00
Youth Fellowship	6:30

Nursery - A nursery is provided for infants through three year olds during morning Sunday School & worship.

Children's Worship Kits and Bulletins - Available in the narthex and fellowship hall.

Children's Chapel

All children in 4 year old preschool thru 2nd grade are invited to attend Children's Chapel (Room 211). An adult will meet the children in the narthex following the children's message to lead them to the chapel. Please pick up your child immediately following the service.

Children's Chapel Schedule

Today's Story
The Story of Ruth

Greeter: *Chris Alcorn*
Storyteller: *Janis Guzzo*

Next Week's Story
The Story of Samuel

Greeter: *Colista Freman*
Storyteller: *Janis Guzzo*

Please Help Us Catch Up on our 2017 Budget

We are presently running a budget deficit and would greatly appreciate your catching up on your 2017 pledge if you have fallen behind. Financial statements that were not picked up in the narthex recently were put in the mail this week. Thank you for your faithfulness.

Intergenerational Sunday School – November 26th

Everyone is invited to join our family- friendly activities as we look ahead to the season of Advent! We'll meet in Fellowship Hall at 9:30 – 10:15 (regular Sunday School time) for a time of fellowship, food (donuts!) and a fantastic project or two which families can work on together! Mark your calendar and plan to join the Christian Education Committee for this special time! And invite a friend!

PRAYER CONCERNS

MEMBERS: Gwen Orilio, Peggy Stevens, Burmester Family, Lorelei Partin, Bob Guzzo, John & Mary Jane Roberts, Jack Gebbie, Dottie Dubose-Blum, Julian Bradley

FAMILY/FRIENDS: Al Matthews (nephew of Barbara Tierney), Lee Anne Mcleod (niece of Sue & Steve McLaughlin), Dereck Roberts (colleague of Bobby Simpson), Mary Weathers (mother of Nancy Simpson), Edward Thompson (son of Sarah and Jody), Melanie Goodwin (niece of Jimmy Wade), Charlie Pelletier (stepdad to Amy Burki), Mary Liles (mother of Barbara McIntire), Lynn Stevens (daughter of Peggy), Betty Boone & Faison Smith (LouGene Hemphill's brother & sister-in-law)

BRIGHTON GARDENS: Jo Gilmore

ARBOUR NURSING HOME, SMITHFIELD: Joyce Barbour

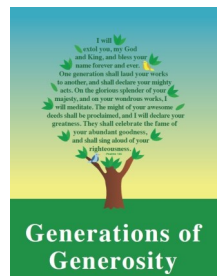
WOODLAND TERRACE: Margaret Pittman

REX REHAB APEX: Joyce Emerson

REX REHAB RALEIGH: Jimmie Smith

"Generations of Generosity" Stewardship Campaign Update

We are thankful for the 71 pledge cards and time/talent forms we have received thus far. Your financial pledges represent approximately 75% of our 2018 asking budget. If you have not yet returned your financial pledge and time/talent form for 2018, we hope to hear from you soon. We are awaiting your response before assimilating the 2018 operating budget for WBPC. Extra pledge cards and time/talent forms are located in the narthex and fellowship hall. Thank you!



Alternative Gift Fair TODAY: Sunday, November 12

Have you ever struggled to find just the right gift for the person who has everything? Then you won't want to miss the Alternative Gift Fair. The WBPC Mission/Outreach Committee has hosted the Alternative Gift Fair for 10 years as an effort to inspire us all to embrace meaningful gift giving. This year we are hosting 13 organizations that bring hope to individuals, children, and families from our church, neighborhood, and the world. Come to the Fellowship Hall directly after the morning worship service. Every donation can be made in honor of others. If you cannot attend that day, please refer to the brochure that will be distributed in church. This brochure describes each of the ministries that will be at the Alternative Gift Fair and includes a donation form on which you can indicate the organization(s) you want to support. You can include this form with your donation and return both to church. Let's show the true meaning of Christmas by honoring friends and family through donations to these ministries of Love.



Hanging of the Greens Service: Dec. 3, 5:00 p.m.

Please join us Sunday, December 3 at 5:00 p.m. as we celebrate the Advent season with a meaningful worship service, Hanging of the Greens. We will prepare the sanctuary and fellowship hall for this special season through music, readings, and placement of the greens and poinsettias by the youth of WBPC. A reception in the fellowship hall will follow the service. Each family is asked to provide finger-food for the celebration. Please invite your neighbors and friends to join us for this most special service to kick-off the Advent/Christmas season.



Large print bulletins and hymnals, listening devices, and back pillows are available upon request from the ushers.

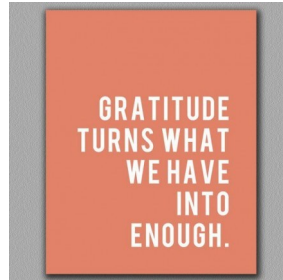
A Place at the Table

The soon to be pay-what-you-can nonprofit cafe is launching a Coffee Club monthly sustainer campaign. They need your help! Join them, will you? They are looking for people to contribute to their mission each month by becoming monthly Coffee Club members. With your membership, you are helping provide coffee and a dignified dining experience for our friends who are food insecure. They are seeking 200 members by the time they open their doors in late November. See www.tableraleigh.org/donate for the coffee levels and more information. Contact Maggie at maggie@tableraleigh.org for more information.



Youth Fellowship

This week at youth fellowship we will be focusing on *gratitude*. In November we find ourselves being reminded of all the things we have to be thankful for, but how do we live with an attitude of gratitude year round? Join us on Sunday at 6:30 in the fellowship hall for good food, fellowship, and discussion.



Preschool Notes

The preschool has gotten off to a great start this year! For those who don't know, we are celebrating our 60th year as a kindergarten/preschool!! That is a great accomplishment and we are so excited! We have painted the classrooms and put new sand and mulch on the playground and we are hoping to have a big celebration/open house for former preschoolers, teachers, directors and this congregation in the spring. This year, we have many returning preschoolers and some new ones. Thank you, members of WBPC for your help and support through the years. We are always being asked what we need – at this point, scholarship money is needed. We have several refugee families who have returned, and a new one who arrived here about 2 weeks ago. If you would like to help one of our refugee families by donating to our scholarship fund, please contact Bobbi Cross at wbpndirec-



Urban Ministries Food Bags

Each month the Wednesday morning prayer group assembles food bags and delivers them to Urban Ministries. Food bag lists for donations can be found in the narthex and on the table outside the fellowship hall. Please drop off donations in the church narthex or on the table outside of the kitchen in the education building. This week there is a great need for **applesauce and canned tomatoes**. Thank you for your giving hearts and generous spirits!



Endowment Fund Requests

WBPC's Endowment Fund currently has \$4,000 available for utilization to support the benevolent, education, and mission work of the church. These funds cannot be used for the operation of the church or its regularly budgeted program. Requests for these monies should be made by Nov. 22, 2017. If you would like an Endowment Fund Request form or have any questions, please contact Phil Westerman (Email: westerma@ncsu.edu ; Phone: 919-851-1332).

WBPC Poinsettia Order Form



You may make a donation of \$10.00 to request a Poinsettia in memory of or in honor of a loved one. Gifts of Poinsettias will be recognized in a December worship bulletin. If you would like to remember or honor a special friend or relative, please complete this form (please print neatly) and return it with your donation to the church office by **Sunday, November 26**. Make checks payable to WBPC. Please write *Poinsettia* in the check memo line.

Given by _____

Phone # _____

In Memory of (1) _____ (2) _____

In Honor of (1) _____ (2) _____

Number of poinsettias requested: _____ x \$10.00 each = \$ _____

Paid by check cash

Please tear out and place in offering plate. Thank you!

How I Would Like to Share the Joy of Advent at WBPC:

- Decorate - Saturday, December 2, 9:00-11:00 am
- Give a poinsettia (see form below)
- Lay read on Christmas Eve
- Tidy sanctuary after Christmas Eve service
- Remove decorations - Saturday, January 6, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
- Usher: December 3 _____ December 10 _____ December 17 _____
- December 24 morning worship _____ December 24 candlelight service _____
- December 31 _____
- Serve at Moravian Love Feast Service, Sunday December 24, 10:30 am



Name _____

E-mail _____

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