

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| <div> <div> </div> <div>July 2022</div> </div> | | | | | | |
| 3 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Morning Worship Youth leave for Caswell 4:00 Book of Hebrews Study | 4 Church Office Closed Youth at Caswell | 5 Youth at Caswell | 6 6:30 Mid-Week Service 7:15 Chancel Choir Rehearsal Youth at Caswell | 7 Youth at Caswell | 8 7:00 Nominating Committee Meeting Youth at Caswell | 9 Youth return from Caswell |
| 10 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Morning Worship Business Meeting Deacon Election 4:00 Youth Book of Hebrews Study | 11 10:00 Dorcas Sew Day | 12 10:00 Women on Mission Fellowship | 13 6:30 Mid-Week Service 7:15 Chancel Choir Rehearsal | 14 Youth at Caswell | 15 Youth at Caswell | 16 Youth at Caswell |
| 17 8:00 Baptist Men's Breakfast 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Morning Worship 4:00 Book of Hebrews Study | 18 10:00 Dorcas Sew Day | 19 11:00 Birthday Buddies @ Cracker Barrel | 20 6:30 Mid-Week Service 7:15 Chancel Choir Rehearsal | 21 Youth at Caswell | 22 Youth at Caswell | 23 Youth at Caswell |
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| 31 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Morning Worship 6:30 5th Sunday Sing 7:30 Ice Cream Fellowship | | | | | | |
| <div> <div> </div> <div> Give all your worries and cares to God. For He cares about what happens to you. 1 Peter 5:7 </div> </div> | | | | | | |

July Newsletter

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Spotlight on our Sunday School Classes

W.C. Harward Sunday School Class

We are a Sunday School Class for men of all ages. This is a time of Bible study that is led by Lewis Kelly and Tom Luck. We encourage discussion concerning our lesson with Lewis and Tom facilitating in a great way. Led by the Holy Spirit, we enjoy a time of Bible study in preparation for our morning worship.

John 14:26 *"But the Comforter, which is the, Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things and remind you of everything I have said to you."*

We would love to have you join us.

Deacon
of the
Month

Tom Luck

July 17th

MEN'S
BREAKFAST

8:00 am

Sunday School & Worship Attendance for June 2022

| Date | Sunday School | Worship Service |
|---------|---------------|-----------------|
| 6/5/22 | 98 | 141 |
| 6/12/22 | 95 | 124 |
| 6/19/22 | 100 | 128 |
| 6/26/22 | 84 | 118 |

Deacon Elections

The following individuals were nominated as candidates for Deacon Election. Members of Flat Springs will select (3) three individuals from this list of nominees.

Reid Cagle Judith Nance Fedd Walker
Beth Cox Carol Smith Roger Worrell

Voting will be July 10th at out regular business meeting.

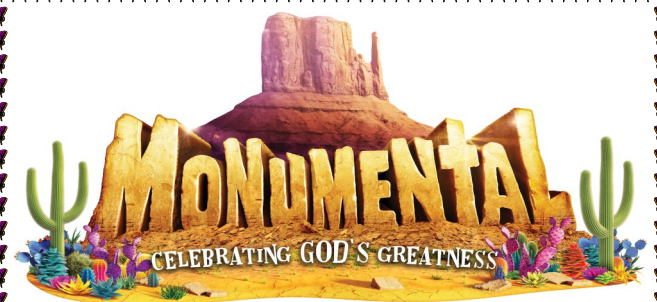


Also, there will be a vote on time for the service.

Sunday School at 9:45 Worship Service at 11:00

Sunday School at 9:00 Worship Service at 10:00

Please be praying for who will fill these leadership positions.



Miley says "Register Now"

Vacation Bible School

August 4-6

Thursday & Friday: 6:00-8:30

Saturday: 9:00-11:30

Lunch & Water Day: 11:30-1:00

Register on our website!

Jett was quick to register



Message from Pastor Gary

Dear Friends,

After 50 years of abortion being legal because of the Supreme Court ruling in the case of Roe V. Wade, the court last week overturned that landmark case and thus said that it is up to each state to determine whether abortion is legal or not. North Carolina still says abortion is legal up to 24 weeks of pregnancy and currently 25 other states say it is legal and many are making it clear that they will do their best to make sure it is legal in those states no matter what.

I believe we are having the wrong conversation about the abortion issue. We are arguing legal verses illegal. That is not the argument that I, as a disciple of Christ choose to have on the subject. I am commanded by God to ask the questions: is this God’s Will and in line with God’s teaching about morality? The answer is no. Most abortions are being performed because of fornication that God’s Word describes as sex outside of marriage. Scripture is crystal clear: fornication is a sin and a believer is to abstain from it. According to data from the C.D.C. and the Guttmacher Institute, only 14% of abortions are married women, 86% are unmarried. This statistic shows that if we stop fornication, we will stop most of abortions in this nation. The Christian decision is to only express sexual union within the confines of marriage. Marriage between and man and woman is the only place for “safe sex!”

The theological argument is one of when does life begin? Is it at the moment of birth or at the moment of conception, or somewhere in between these two? People have taken the passage in Genesis 2:7 where “God breathed in man’s nostril and man became a living soul...” to argue that the soul comes with the first breath. This is a weak argument because Adam, the first man, has no parents who had received the breath of God which they might be able to pass on to their offspring via the birth process. Christianity teaches that we are created in the image of God (Gen. 1:26-27) and the logic is that we take our first breath because we have been created by God in the womb. God doesn’t breathe into

our nostrils the breath of life as he did in that unique moment for Adam.

I believe that life begins at the moment of conception and although there is no scripture that says that exactly in those words, there is convincing biblical evidence. Let me share some references:

Psalm 22:10 (NKJV)

10 I was cast upon You from birth. From My mother's womb You have been My God.

Jeremiah 1:5 (NKJV)

5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; Before you were born I sanctified you; I ordained you a prophet to the nations."

Psalm 139:13-16 (ESV)

13 For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb.

14 I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.

15 My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

16 Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them.

We are to be loving to all people regardless. We are to pray for God’s healing for the deep divide this issue has caused and is causing in our nation. We are called to be “in the world” but not “of the world!” We are also called to recognize that we are created in God’s image and that scripture teaches the sanctity of human life. As our nation struggles, as it has for the past 50 years, with this topic, may we continue to champion the moral choices that God ordains as we reach out in love to those on the opposite side of this or any issue.

Your Pastor,
Gary



Needs of Reach Out Pregnancy Center in July:

- ♥ Baby wipes
- ♥ Bottle brushes
- ♥ Baby wash
- ♥ Bottled water for clients
- ♥ Bottles
- ♥ Shampoo
- ♥ Hooded towels

Collection bin is in the Atrium.

5th Sunday Sing Along

July 31st

6:30 Sing Along

7:30 Ice Cream

Sundae Fellowship



Message from Pastor Taylor

Church Family,

On Sunday, July 3rd 11 youth and 3 chaperones will head to Fort Caswell in Brunswick County to serve the local community with Deep Impact. Deep Impact offers a wonderful opportunity for our students to serve the local community through construction projects, World Missions Week (missionaries and their families come for a time of renewal the week of the 4th at Caswell) and various other projects that will benefit the local community.

I am thankful for the students and adults who are volunteering their time to go and to serve others. I hope that you will join me in praying for our students and chaperones and for the people we will meet. Pray that we might be a light that shines bright for Jesus to all who see us at work. Please also be in prayer for the spiritual nourishment that our kids will receive through worship and Bible study – may it be a time of renewal for them as well.

Deep Impact @ Caswell Team

Students:

Chaperones:

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| Emily Boisvert | Layla Elmore | Callie Marks | Addison Webster | Cheryl Boisvert |
| Jackson Bullard | Kendal Gaines | Evan Parries | Allie Webster | Kevin Crumley |
| Camden Covert | Kassidy Gross | Mollie Walker | | Taylor Crumley |

Back-to-School Supplies

For those of you looking for **Back-to-School** sales and bargains: if you can, pick up some extra supplies for Deep River School. The school reports it does **not** anticipate needing loose leaf paper, pencils, or scissors. Here is a list of supply they **do need**:

- ✂ 2-inch hard back binders
- ✂ Spiral Notebooks
- ✂ Folders with inside pockets (avoid slick plastic)
- ✂ Folders with prongs & inside pockets (avoid slick plastic)
- ✂ Book bags with quality seams and zippers
- ✂ Male and Female underpants
- ✂ Inexpensive slacks for elementary kids of all ages
- ✂ Lysol & Clorox cleaning wipes
- ✂ Boxes of tissue



Collection bins will be available in the Atrium in mid-July.

Message from WMU

On July 4th our nation celebrates the history and heritage of Americans in the USA. This celebration, in part, remembers that first generation which fought - many paying the ultimate price - for the freedoms we have today. The freedom to worship God is one most precious and must never be taken for granted.

In the chaos of today’s upside-down culture, we do well to remember this life on earth is a journey, not the destination! For those of us who believe, the best is yet to come, but for the unbeliever what is to come is a horror unimaginable. In Romans 10:13-15 we are told for “Everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. ...And how shall they believe in Him of whom

they have not heard? ... As it is written, ‘How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news - who bring glad tidings of good things?’”

Let’s be about our Father’s business in the days ahead so that others may truly be free (see John 8:36) for all eternity! No pedicure required -- just feet willing to follow Jesus.



May we recognize our blessings and pass them on,

Susan T. Ferguson
WMU Director, Sandy Creek Baptist Association
Stephanie Bridges
WMU Director, Flat Springs Baptist Church

