



LATTIMORE BAPTIST CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

March 2017

BECAUSE WE BELIEVE!

From the Pastor Desk

This being an article intended for the March newsletter will make it, I suppose, my last. So here is my swan song.

First, thank you for sharing your pulpit with me for the last three and a half years. Second, I am proud to have been a part of the church's leap into the 21st century. Developing a website, making use of social media, creating and using the activities committee and witnessing the ordination of the church's first two female deacons were exciting moments in the life of the church. Mostly, though, I am grateful to have led the church in a time when it found its voice, rediscovered community, and asserted itself as a community of faith.

Look forward to an exciting future at Lattimore Baptist. God is at work in the community surrounding you. God is at work within your walls. My prayer is that these two things come together, as God works through you to reach beyond your walls, joining in the work already underway beyond them. I hope God will continue to bless you, this community, and the world through your efforts.

Court Greene



Set your clock forward Sunday, March 12 at 2:00 am.



Lana's Music Notes

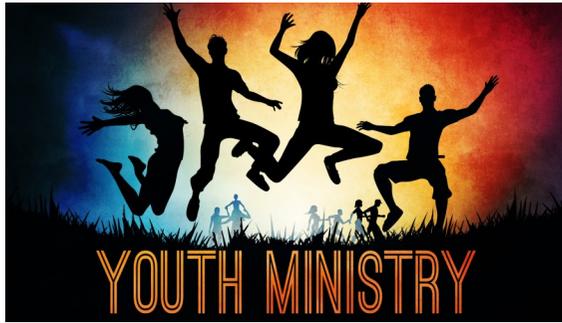
Music can be so powerful if we will listen to and think about the message of the song writer. The choir recently sang the well-known hymn, "It Is Well with My Soul", as an anthem. The hymn has an interesting history that we all could learn from. The author, Horatio Spafford, went through a lot of misfortune which included four of his daughters dying in a ship accident. That incident was the inspiration for this hymn.

"When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou has taught me to say,
It is well, it is well, with my soul."

The Adult Choir has begun working on the Easter Cantata, "I Know My Redeemer Lives". If you would like to join the choir, this would be a great time to so. In March, the Handbell Choir will perform "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" and "O Worship the King". They will also perform on Palm Sunday. If anyone is interested in providing special music for a worship service, please see Lana. I would love for you to share your talents with the church.

Lana

MUSIC MINISTRY



Summer's Youth Notes

The youth will be gearing up for several fun events in the days ahead. We will be partnering with our children to make Easter baskets for the shut-ins. Not only is this a fantastic event to include our shut-ins, but the kids all love the experience of visiting with them as well.

The youth will also be headed to Lake Lure during spring break. We will take this time to reflect on the closing of our Sunday afternoon Bible study, True Love Waits. Although we are only three weeks into this study, the youth are learning what it is like to put God in the center of all relationships. True Love Waits is a biblical study that promotes sexual abstinence outside of marriage for teenagers and young adults. While on our retreat, we will also partner with Lake Lure Baptist for outreach activities and Bible study events. We look forward to sharing together and seeing what the Lord has in store for our journey. If any church member would like to sponsor a member of our youth for the retreat, please see me.

On Wednesday nights at 5 pm, we will be starting a new biblical principal study. The study, titled Plugged In, focuses on how our youth can worship, fellowship, show discipleship, Minister, and be an evangelist while at school and out in the community. Times are tough for our youth, and it is critical that they are mentored in the right direction. Please continue to pray for them. They are an incredible group of kids, and they are at a crucial point in their life. It is our job as a church family to mold them into future leaders.

“Don’t let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, and in purity.” 1 Timothy 4:12



Katie's Notes

In the month of March, we are going to be talking about the 12 disciples and what it means to be a disciple.

The children and I had a great time visiting with our shut-in's and we are looking forward to the next time!

Vacation Bible School planning in underway so please continue to pray for the preparation of that.

“Then all your children will be taught by the Lord, their prosperity will be great.” Isaiah 54:13



Announcements

Remember the Sewing Club meets every Tuesday night from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will be working on service projects. If you do not know how to sew, quilt, embroider, cross-stitch, knit and/or crochet, come on out and we will teach you the basics. Happy Sewing !!!

Vacation Bible School will be from June 11-16. We will have a meeting in the next week to decide on the theme and times. Any volunteers would be appreciated.

The Brotherhood Breakfast will be on March 5, 2017 at 8:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.

Happy Hearts will eat at the Café in the Forest City Mall on March 6, 2017. They will leave the church at 10:00 am.

Fellowship Meal will be March 19 at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Shut Ins: Bertha Cooper, Elene Martin, Jack and Ruth Dover, Iverson Bramlet (Caremore Retirement Center), Pat McSwain, Ray and Wilma Towery.

Prayer List: Wilma and Ray Towery, Jack and Ruth Dover, Janice Bell, Shane Stallings, Polly Fite, Deirdre Moore, Elsie Weathers, Margaret Hardin, Sarah Prewitt, Pat McSwain, Clint Johnson, Janet Henkel (Russ Henkel's Mother), Sarah Joe Wall, Winfred Everett, and Summer Sheehan.

March:

Ushers: Corey Greene, John Hamrick, David Dover, Gary Tesseneer

Nursery:

3/5/17 - Cathy Dover & Christina Pearson

3/12/17 - Jackson & Mary Beth Martin

3/19/17 - Ashley Hodges

3/26/17 - Christina Pearson & Selena Grier

Children's Church:

Helen Mauney

Kelli Steele

Kayla Huss

Katie Trammel

Schedule of weekly activities:

Sundays

9:45 – 10:00 am Library Open

10:00 – 10:45 am Sunday School

10:45 – 11:00 am Library Open

11:00 – 12:00 pm Worship

12:00 – 1:00 pm Youth and Children's Activities

7:00 – 8:00 pm Handbells

Monday Nights

7:00 pm Line Dancing

Tuesday Nights

6:30 pm GC (God's Children)

6:30 pm– 8:30 pm Sewing Club

Wednesday Nights

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm Bible Study

7:30 pm – 8:30 pm Adult Choir

Birthdays for the month of March: (##) = day.

Cynthia Musick (4), Ann Jones (5), Janna Fite Huffman (9), Kelli Steele (14), Cindy Martin (19), Gary Tesseneer (19), Katie Everett (20), Pauline Tesseneer (23), Polly Fite (28), Rachel Lovelace (28), Kenny Blanton III (29), Russ Henkel (30), and Tom Hassell (31).

If I (Russ) have missed a birthday or have put one in the bulletin by mistake, please let me know.

If any church member would like to put anything in the bulletin, please give it to Russ by Tuesday. Bulletins are printed Wednesday morning. If you would like to put anything in the Newsletter, give it to Russ by the 15th of the month.

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11:00 am – 3:00 pm TTH *New Office Hours