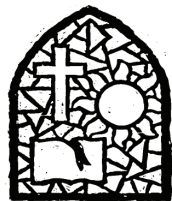


**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2016**

**DEACONS:** Carlton Jackson & Artie Nixon  
**BUS DRIVER:** Tim Smith (333-0431)  
**BUS RIDER:** Carlton Jackson  
**CHILDREN'S SERMON:** Dianne Cinkovich  
**CHILDREN'S CHURCH:** Travis Ellis  
**AUDIO OPERATOR:** Paul Williams  
**VIDEO OPERATOR:** Steven Byrum  
**OUTREACH COMMITTEE:** Patrick Bass



**DO YOU KNOW?**

Who was the first staff member to be wed in the present sanctuary?

- A. Percy Upchurch
- B. Bettie Garrick
- C. James Hyatt, Jr.

**SHUT-IN of the Week**

Mrs. Mary Jo Byrd  
 Edenton Primetime  
 PO Box 987  
 Edenton, NC 27932

**Anniversaries**

**Sunday, October 30**  
 M/M Tim Phelps  
**Tuesday, November 1**  
 M/M Lupe Mejorado  
**Thursday, November 3**  
 M/M Bobby Ashley  
**Saturday, November 5**  
 M/M Terry Leary  
 M/M Tyler Leary

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**November 20**  
 Church-Wide Thanksgiving Dinner  
**November 27**  
 Advent Wreath Workshop  
**December 4**  
 Hanging of the Greens  
**December 10**  
 Market Street Brass Concert  
**December 11**  
 Adult Choir Presents  
*Holy Light*

**WEEKLY REPORT (10/23)**

**Offering**  
 Amount Received.....\$7,425.32  
**Other Monies Received**  
 Memorials.....120.00  
 Global Missions.....10.00  
 TOTAL.....130.00  
**Attendance**  
 Sunday School.....114  
 Chowan River Nursing.....41  
 SS TOTAL.....155  
 Worship TOTAL.....191

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**Wednesday Night Study**



**Advent Conspiracy: Can Christmas Still Change the World?**  
 is based on a book of the same title by Rick McKinley, Chris Seay, and Greg Holder. This study will prepare our hearts, minds, and souls to enter into the Advent season with a willingness to worship fully, spend less, give more, and love all in the name of Christ. Books are not required to be a part of the study, but if you would like a copy, they are available for purchase in the church office for \$10.00. Join us!

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

Plan to join us Saturday, November 5 in the fellowship hall for a **WORLD MARKET** from 10:00am-3:00pm. All merchandise is hand crafted by victims of human trafficking and domestic violence from all over the world. 100% of the proceeds will help lift the victims out of despair, to hope and life in Christ!

**BAPTIST WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** is Monday, November 7 beginning at 9:00am in the sanctuary. Refreshments will follow in the fellowship hall.

**THE INFORMER**

Edenton Baptist Church  
 Edenton, North Carolina 27932

*A Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Congregation*

David B. Brooks  
 Pastor

Patrick I. Cardwell  
 Associate Pastor  
 Michael W. Morgan  
 Director of Music  
 Jackie P. Copeland  
 Organist/Assistant Music Director

Janet C. Skinner  
 Church Administrator  
 Lorraine B. Bass  
 Financial Secretary  
 Sherry S. Dowd  
 Preschool Coordinator

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**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2016**

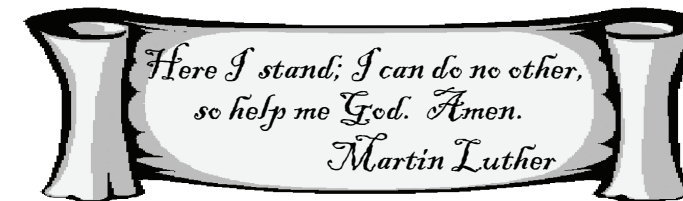
**Reformation Sunday**

Baptist Men's Breakfast, 8:30am

Sermon: "To Live by Faith"

Scripture: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

Anthem: *God is Our Refuge and Strength*



**TRUNK-OR-TREAT**

Sunday, October 30 • 4:00-5:30pm  
 EBC Parking Lot



## LECTIONARY READINGS

**October 30, 2016**

**Reformation Sunday**

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

Psalms 119:137-144

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

Luke 19:1-10



**November 6, 2016**

**All Saints' Sunday**

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

Psalms 149

Ephesians 1:11-23

Luke 6:20-31



### Birthdays

**Sunday, October 30**

Margaret Adams

Hillary Morgan

**Monday, October 31**

Mary Elizabeth Dail

Keith Privott

Alex Smith

**Tuesday, November 1**

Van Johnson

Frankie Parrish

**Wednesday, November 2**

Deborah Burroughs

Will Hollowell

Lois Keeter

Jean Perry

Patsy Taylor

Gloria Voigt

**Thursday, November 3**

Dan Culver

Elizabeth Potts

Brenda Word

**Friday, November 4**

Jeb Bassett

**Saturday, November 5**

Ella Mae Parrish

### CHILI FUNDRAISER

After church on November 6<sup>th</sup>, the youth group will be serving chili for lunch to offset costs of trips during the year. Donations will be accepted at the door. If you're interested in bringing a pot of your favorite chili to share with the church, see Patrick!

### CALENDAR of ACTIVITIES

**Sunday, October 30**

8:30-Baptist Men's Breakfast

9:45-Sunday School

10:45-Pastor/Deacon Prayer

11:00-Morning Worship

4:00-Trunk-or-Treat

**Tuesday, November 2**

7:00-Joyful Noisemakers,

Edenton Primetime

**Wednesday, November 3**

5:30-Supper (taco salad)

6:00-Children's Choirs

-Handbells, Room 200

6:30-Adult Bible Study

6:45-Children's Missions

7:30-Adult Choir Practice

**Thursday, November 4**

7:45-Jesus & Java

10:15-Bookbag Buddies

3:30-Homebound Ministry,

Room 103

### FROM THE PASTOR

We all have to deal with distractions in life. Whether we are driving down the road, working on a school or work project, talking with our spouse, or trying to save money for the future, we can easily get distracted in these endeavors and many others. I wonder what distracts you from staying on track as a Christian.

Historically, Christians who have grown in their faith and have had the greatest impact in the world have been those persons who have developed spiritual disciplines or habits to keep distractions at a minimum. Spiritual disciplines keep us close to God and open to being shaped and molded to be more like Jesus. If you are longing to have more guidance or structure in how you can grow as a Christian, here is a good list of reliable disciplines:

1. *Prayer* – communicating and communing with God.
2. *Silence* – being still and quiet before God.
3. *Scripture* – reading and listening for God's voice through the Bible.
4. *Fasting* – forfeiting meals for short periods of time for spiritual purposes.
5. *Worship* – praising God who is worthy of our adoration and worship.
6. *Giving* – financially supporting God's work in the world.
7. *Service* – helping others in practical ways in the name of Christ.
8. *Communion* – a tangible reminder that we are beloved children of God.
9. *Journaling* – capturing on paper thoughts about our faith.
10. *Justice* – actively seeking justice, especially for the poor and marginalized.
11. *Sabbath* – dedicating one day per week for worship and rest.
12. *Community* – connecting with other Christians for support and insight.

If you are feeling distant from God or distracted in your Christian walk, take time to practice these disciplines. Some will yield a quick result, helping you to sense God's presence or hear God's voice today. Other disciplines are more gradual, having their effect on you only as you practice them over time. But be patient and trust that you are growing as a Christian every day, even if you don't notice much of a change. And trust that as you practice these disciplines you are impacting the world around you.

Your pastor,

David

### Entertaining A Hope:

#### The Bicentennial of Edenton Baptist Church

The celebration of our church's 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary begins on All Saints' Sunday, November 6 with the theme, "*Hopeful Remembering.*" We will light candles in memory of EBC members who died in the last year, and we will also recognize several notable members from our past who served God faithfully through our church. Other highlights for this special day include:

- The presentation of a new history of our church—*Entertaining A Hope: A Bicentennial History of Edenton Baptist Church*—written by our very own Dr. Jesse Croom. Copies of the book will be available for purchase after worship for \$30, and Dr. Croom will be available to sign your copy.
- Our youth and parents will provide a chili lunch in the fellowship hall as a fundraiser for youth trips and activities. Donations will be accepted at the door.
- Other commemorative Bicentennial items for sale at the lunch will include color prints of the church, painted last year by late EBC member Betsy Campen Bierowski, Christmas ornaments, and bumper stickers.

### WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

Wreaths Across America is a non-profit organization which honors and remembers veterans at wreath laying ceremonies held simultaneously across the country. This year our ceremony here in Edenton will take place on Saturday, December 17 at Beaver Hill Cemetery at 12 noon. We invite all to attend this community-wide event. If you know of a veteran in a cemetery here in Edenton and would like to sponsor and place a wreath in their honor (\$15.00 per wreath), or if you would like to make a monetary donation to help in honoring our vets with a wreath, please contact Dotti Morrow at 252-632-4028 for further information. The deadline for ordering a wreath is November 21. Please help to honor and remember our veterans. Thank you!



### Unclaimed Dishes

Are you missing any dishes? Many have been left at the church from funeral meals and other occasions. They are piling up in the kitchen and need to be picked up!

### HOSPITAL REPORT (10/26)

There were no known members in the hospital at time of printing.



James Hyatt, Jr. wed Nelle Manning on Nov. 22, 1980.

### Student of the Week

Miss Abigail Stanley  
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Boone, NC 28608