

The Visitor

First Baptist Church of Smithfield

Worship God, Teach the Word, Serve our Community

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A Good Attitude Romans 12: 9-21

My family enjoys our annual week at the beach each summer. In fact, as you are reading this, we are at the beach this very week. Among the fun things we do occasionally in the evenings is to have each member of the family “role-play” his or her image of some behavior of another member of the family. This role-playing is always a barrel of laughs. You ought to see my children’s impersonations of me. Everyone in the family looks forward to the announcement, “let’s all do Dad.” And the fun really begins then! I must admit that their impersonations of me are absolutely hilarious. I smile about them well after the beach week has ended. It is amazing to me how much these fun times at the beach help our family keep good attitudes toward one another throughout the year.

A good attitude is important in a Christian. Sometimes my attitude gets out of order, and I can tell this drags me down. The Bible teaches that a positive attitude should be genuine and not a role we play or a phony expression of ourselves. But it is not easy to keep a good attitude all of the time. Life brings disappointments, challenges, and frustrations. This is the reason it is important to have a resource like the Bible to give us daily help in keeping a good attitude.

Paul describes in the recommended passage for reading some proper attitudes for Christian believers. “Let love be genuine . . . hold fast to that which is good . . . love one another . . . outdo one another in showing honor . . . serve the Lord . . . be constant in prayer.” Displaying these attitudes will surely bolster our lives and witness. I have often heard it said, “A good attitude goes a long way.” Surely it does!

Do you need to switch from a bad to a good attitude? Take a few moments and read the scripture passage listed above. Then, pray the prayer below.

Prayer: Lord, remove from me any bad attitudes I may have and assist me in replacing them with Christ-like qualities. Help my attitude to reflect that of Christ my Lord. Amen.

I will look forward to seeing you on Sunday!

Michael G. Cogdill
Transitional Pastor

Trinity Thursday Night Worship

Join us on Thursday evenings, as we continue are worship services beginning at 7:00 p.m. Services will be held outdoors (weather permitting). Please bring chairs or blankets! Below is a schedule and list speakers for Thursday services:

July 15 – The Missional Church: Part II, Bryan Harris
July 22 – Evangelism in Word, Chas Kubasko
July 29 – Canoeing the Mountains, Michael Cogdill

FYI.....Wednesday Nights this Fall

Plans are being made for the Wednesday night schedule this fall.

- Anyone interested in offering/teaching a class or group at 6:30 p.m. on these evenings, please contact one of the ministerial staff. We are working on the schedule now.
- Dr. Cogdill will teach a Bible Study on Wednesday evenings.
- Thanks to Ann Stallings for being willing to serve as our Wednesday Night Dinner Coordinator (not provided but Coordinator). Would you be interested in offering to help her?

More information on Wednesday night this fall in the upcoming weeks.

Our Known Sick

Mildred Jordan (Wake), Henry Wright (Rex), Wallace Ashley (JMH-Clayton)

Sympathy

We express our Christian sympathy to Faye Hardee, Thad Hardee and Debbie Anderson on the recent homegoing of their sister, Pope Hardee.

We express our Christian sympathy to Angie Watkins in the recent homegoing of her father, Wallace Renfrow.

We express our Christian sympathy to Linda Strickland in the recent homegoing of her sister, Edna Whitley.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Keni Harrison who will be competing in the Olympics in Tokyo on the US Olympic Track and Field Team! Go Keni!!!!

Thank You

Dear Church Family, We would like to thank you to all those who assisted us after our house fire. Thanks again. Jim and Barbara George

SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday, September 12, 2021

“Round-Up Sunday”

Save the Date for Round Up Sunday on September 12th! We want to “round up” all of our church members and prospects in order to be together for Sunday School and a single worship service at 11am. Catered luncheon to follow service.

Children and Families

**Rooted in God's Word...Growing in Faith...
Living for Jesus!!!**

Sunday School: All Preschool and Children's classes are meeting in person @ 9:45 AM

- **ON THE GO!?** Sunday School lessons for Preschool & Children are posted weekly on our website.
- Go to fbcsmithfield.org and click on Children & Family Ministries. Look under Sunday School for your child's class. This is a great way to take Sunday School lessons “on the road” or “in the home”!!

YOUNG DISCIPLES:

LEARNING TO FOLLOW JESUS

Attention Rising 4th, 5th and 6th Graders!

You are invited to 3 days of Fun and Discovery with Ms. Alyssa, Mrs. Amy, Mr. Brian and Mr. Braxton as we explore what it means to follow Jesus!! Plans are being made for July 27th, 28th and 29th to take our group “on the road” each day from 10 AM – 3 PM. **You MUST REGISTER by July 23 to Participate.** You will receive a detailed letter soon! Save the DATES; PLUS, save Saturday July 31st for a special celebration day!!



Coming soon!

Welcome to Worship for Rising First Graders

Parents, please plan for your rising first grader to be here each Sunday in August as we prepare them for the transition to the Children's Department and Worship with the Congregation. We will have sessions following the Children's Sermon on August 8, 15, 22 and 29 during the 11 o'clock worship. Mrs. Amy, Mr. Braxton and Mr. Brian look forward to working with your children!!





If you would like to help in anyway with the shower, please contact Mallory Kubasko at 919-623-9471.

FROM THE PULPIT

July 18 Sermon by Mike Cogdill
 “Bound or Blessed?”
 Luke 8:26-39

July 25 Sermon by Mike Cogdill
 “What Coming to Jesus Can Do?”
 Mark 2:1-12

WEEKLY SERVICES & OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday

9:00 A.M. Early Worship
 9:45 A.M. Sunday School for all ages
 10:00 A.M. Radio Bible Class, taught by June Ward, broadcast over 1090 AM and 105.5 FM
 11:00 A.M. Morning Worship in the Sanctuary, broadcast over 1090 AM, 105.5 FM, Facebook, and YouTube
 1:30 P.M. Hispanic Worship Service

Monday

10:00 A.M. Clothes Closet, Ministry Center, end at noon

Wednesday

10:00 A.M. Wednesday Morning Bible Study, Ryberg Hall

Thursday

7:00 p.m. Thursday Night Service on the Lawn (weather permitting)

2021 BUDGET INFORMATION

General Fund

Budget needs per week:	\$16,263.54
Received as of 7/4/21	\$13,368.50
Budget needs Year to Date	\$439,115.58
Received Year to Date	\$376,488.55

Building Fund

Needs per week	\$2,800.03
Received 7/4/21	\$975.00
Needs Year to Date	\$70,000.69
Received Year to Date	\$48,700.25

2021 BUDGET INFORMATION

General Fund

Budget needs per week:	\$16,263.54
Received as of 7/11/21	\$22,603.50
Budget needs Year to Date	\$455,379.12
Received Year to Date	\$399,092.05

Building Fund

Needs per week	\$2,800.03
Received 7/11/21	\$3,190.00
Needs Year to Date	\$72,800.72
Received Year to Date	\$51,890.25

Building Fund Note Balance

To Date	\$451,759.82
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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH STAFF

Transitional Pastor	Mike Cogdill
Minister of Music	Braxton Kubasko
Minister of Youth and Education	Brian Theurer
Children and Family Ministries Coordinator	Amy Galloway
Organist	Marshall Tyson
Director of After School Care	Donna Donovan
Director of Weekday Early Education	June Ward
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