



Forerunner

**First Baptist Church
1024 E. Stuart Drive
Galax, VA 24333**

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Thanksgiving Drive at God's Storehouse

Our church has been given the wonderful responsibility to collect 800 boxes of Macaroni & Cheese (7 oz. box) to feed those less fortunate in our community. God's Storehouse is putting together thanksgiving boxes filled with all of your favorite holiday food items. The deadline is November 12. If you can help, please drop the boxes off in the Fellowship Hall.

They are also collecting \$12 to "hatch" buy a turkey for a family. Every \$12 collected will provide one turkey per family, and they are hoping to feed 400 families this year. You can make your check out to the church (put God's Storehouse on the memo line) and we will then send one check for the turkeys on November 12.

They are also looking for volunteers to help pack the boxes and more details will follow on the time and date for the packing. Let's do this and bless someone in our community with a Thanksgiving meal. We are one family, and the people we serve need to see just how beautiful this family of Christ is!

If you haven't ever been down to God's Storehouse, come see what they do. It's going to take us all to really change and uplift our community. They give boxes away to people in Grayson, Carroll, and City of Galax.

We are so excited for this and we can't do it without your help.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sundays

9:45 am—Sunday School
11:00 am—Worship Service
6:00 pm—TruNorth (Youth Group)

Mondays

5:15 pm—Pilates Class
6:00 pm—Youth Band Practice
6:00 pm—Pastor Kevin's Bible Study
"The Book of Revelation"

Tuesdays

10:00 am—Staff Meeting

Wednesdays

1:30 pm—Clothes Closet
6:30 pm—Sanctuary Choir
6:30 pm—Prayer Meeting
(Fellowship begins at 6:00 pm)

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 01

6:00 pm—Hospice Memorial Service

November 01 & 02

Women's Getaway at Eagle Eyrie

November 03

12:15 pm—Welcome Luncheon for
Pastor Steve & Wendy Goatley

November 05

11:00 am—Scams/Fraud/Abuse Education

November 06

6:30 pm—Kingdom Kids

November 12

11:00 am—Women on Mission
5:30 pm—Loss Support Group

November 17

11:00 am—Worship / Communion Service

November 18

3:30 pm—Soup Kitchen Ministry (Rooftop)
6:30 pm—Deacons' Meeting

November 20

6:30 pm—Kingdom Kids

November 24

6:00 pm—Community Thanksgiving Prog.

November 28 & 29

Church Offices Closed

November 29

7 AM to 9 PM—Boone Packing Center

Nursery Schedule



- Nov 03** Scott & Sara Hall
Nov 10 Lewis & Marian Porter
Nov 17 Phyllis Barker,
 Dana Bobbitt
Nov 24 Kevin & Tara Spurlin



First Impressions Team

- Nov 03** Basil & Nancy Carpenter
 Tammy Wyatt
Nov 10 Doug & Lora Williams
 Bob Leonard
Nov 17 Dick & Linda Cooley
 Gary Ballard
Nov 24 Benny & Shirley White
 Lewis Porter



Golf Cart Schedule

- Nov 03** Mike Coomes
Nov 10 Steve Hazelwood
Nov 17 Terry Anders
 Tyler Houk
Nov 24 Paul Walker



Security Team Schedule

- Nov 03** John Patterson
 Lee Coomes
Nov 10 Ed Barker
 Terry Anders
Nov 17 Mike Coomes
 Terry Anders
Nov 24 Dick Cooley
 Eric Testerman

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Grow in Christ

Faith Explorers Sunday School Class will be starting a new series in November titled "**Pray Like This.**" This six-session study will be expanded to twelve Sunday's to allow for an in-depth look at how to boost our prayer life using the model Jesus himself gave us in the "Lord's Prayer." The study book is free, and we welcome anyone to join us. Please contact Kevin Spurlin, the class leader, at 276-236-8453 for any questions.



Scams, Fraud & Abuse Education

Location: **First Baptist Church, Galax—Fellowship Hall**

When: **Tuesday, November 5th, 2019**

Time: **11:00 am—1:00 pm**

Please join us for our **Lunch & Learn!**

Free lunch and educational information regarding scams, fraud, & abuse will be provided by health agencies, insurance agencies, financial institutions, tax professionals, law enforcement, social services, senior services, long-term care facilities, etc.

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COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS IS GOOD PRACTICE:

- It makes us get along with people better.
- It makes us look around us instead of within us.
- It makes us more considerate, sympathetic.
- It causes us to live for others, not ourselves.
- It makes us a blessing instead of a burden.
- It corrects our perspective of life.
- It strengthens our inner resources of faith & hope.
- It increases our confidence for living.
- It increases our awareness of God.



Minister to Youth & Families

Happy Autumn friends! Isn't it funny how nature puts on such an amazing show of color just before it slips into the slumber of winter. Ministries tend to ebb and flow much like the seasons, and it's often in retrospect that we are made aware of just what an amazing show our Father has blessed us with. With that in mind, I wanted to share some of what's been happening in the youth and family ministries.

It's been almost two months now, and I feel completely blessed to be serving here at FBC. In this short time we've had a Fall Festival for both the children and youth. They were both wonderful times of fellowship that allowed me the opportunity to get to know some of our wonderful families. Then, more recently, Blue Ridge Pumpkins hosted us for a family day. The owners are wonderful people and truly made it a memorable day for all. My how we are blessed with young families!

This month we've started working toward revitalizing the **Bus Ministry** and reaching out to our less fortunate neighbors. It is going well, but we could really use more bus drivers to share in the blessing. If you feel so led, give me a call and I'll put you in touch with the right people to get started!

We are also working on the **Kidz Quest** program and hope to have the curriculum and structure settled over the next month. That's when I'll be calling on all who have offered to help to begin training and staffing a vibrant children's worship service.

There is much more happening, but I'll save that for another time. If you have any questions or would like to get involved, please know my door is always open and I'd love to hear from you!

*Many blessings,
 Pastor Steve*



A WORD FROM THE MUSIC MINISTER

In just a few short weeks, the Music Ministry of FBC Galax will present David Clydesdale's **"Repeat the Sounding Joy."** You won't want to miss this exciting worship event taking place on **Saturday, December 7** and **Sunday, December 8** at **7:00 each evening**. From upbeat new music to the beautiful carols we all know and love, there's something for everyone. Travel back with us through time to the birth of our Savior and experience once again the excitement of His arrival. Join us as we "go and tell;" as we "repeat" the joy of the Savior's birth.



GREETINGS FROM OUR HISPANIC CONGREGATION!

October surely has been a month of many blessings for our congregation. This past weekend we had a guest speaker from North Carolina who conducted a marriage conference that was attended by several couples, and they all were truly blessed by this ministry.

The kitchen renovation is almost complete, and we plan to continue working on building repairs while at the same time using this opportunity to spend time together as brothers and sisters, and to keep encouraging a spirit of unity in the congregation.

We are excited to see what the Lord will bring to us in the near future as we continue to pray for a new pastor. We know the Lord is in control because we have seen His hand working through all of this. Please keep us in your prayers and may God bless you all.

Daniel Sanchez



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Capital Campaign



Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the many acts of kindness you've shown me during my illness. Your prayers were greatly appreciated and all the get well cards I received were almost too numerous to count, they meant so much and are really what got me through some difficult days. The outpouring of love from my Sunday School class has been tremendous, and Joe and I really appreciate the meals that were lovingly delivered to us. We feel truly blessed to be a part of such a wonderful church family.

*Love,
Sara Lindsey*



... to the family of **Floyd Kent Cox** who passed away on Monday, October 7, 2019.

... to Beulah Harris on the death of her son, **Michael Bunn**, who passed away Friday, October 11, 2019.

Veterans' Day Prayer (Nov. 11)

We honor our veterans, worthy men & women who gave their best when called upon to serve and protect our country. We pray that you will bless them for their unselfish service to preserve our freedoms. Bless them abundantly for the hardships they faced, for the sacrifices they made. We respect them, **we thank them, we honor them**, we are proud of them. We pray that you will watch over these special people and bless them with peace and happiness. *Joanna Fuchs*



Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes are out and ready for someone special to fill it with love and encouragement for a child that needs your love. Every box is an opportunity to share the "gospel and your love to the world." **The last day to return the filled boxes is Sunday, November 24** — when they will be picked up and delivered to the Shoebox Packing Center in Boone for processing. We encourage everyone to participate in this wonderful ministry.



If you want to pack a shoebox and don't know how or don't have the time, Women on Mission will go shopping and pack a shoebox for you. It takes between \$20-25 to fill a shoebox which includes shipping, or just a small donation of \$9 will pay for shipping one shoebox. If you want us to shop for you, you may give WOM cash or make a check out to the church (put Shoebox on the memo line). We will be shopping and packing the shoeboxes before the collection week in November 18-25th.



Message From Franklin Graham

Since 1993, Samaritan's Purse has collected more than 168 million shoeboxes packed with toys and other fun items by people like you. Many boys and girls who receive shoebox gifts also enroll in **The Greatest Journey**, our 12-lesson follow-up discipleship program, where they learn to follow Christ and share Him with others. Millions of boys and girls have participated in this dynamic course so far. Would you consider joining us in spreading Good News and great joy this year by packing a shoebox?

*Franklin Graham President,
Samaritan's Purse*

The Closet Schedule

November 06

Judy Hennis, Susan Honaker, Ann McMillan

November 13

Debbie Patterson, Lisa Siegle, Elaine Widner

November 20

Phyllis Barker, Paulette Peterson

November 27

Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

CURRENT WORSHIP STATISTICS

	09/29/2019	10/06/2019
Evening Attendance	43	219
Sunday School	175	160
11:00 A.M. Worship Service	257	227
Hispanic Worship Service	46	43
Total Worship Attendance	303	270
BUDGET REQUIRED	\$ 9,227.95	\$ 9,227.95
BUDGET RECEIVED	6,219.39	7,576.32
REQUIRED TO DATE	359,890.05	369,118.00
RECEIVED TO DATE	323,589.40	331,165.72
DESIGNATED RECEIPTS	894.03	1,872.75
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 7,113.42	\$ 9,449.07
% Required Yrly Budget Rec'd	90%	90%
% Required Wkly Budget Rec'd	67%	82%

	10/13/2019	10/20/2019
Evening Attendance	127	163
Sunday School	155	154
11:00 A.M. Worship Service	205	239
Hispanic Worship Service	45	45
Total Worship Attendance	250	284
BUDGET REQUIRED	\$ 9,227.95	\$ 9,227.95
BUDGET RECEIVED	9,478.67	7,673.10
REQUIRED TO DATE	378,345.95	387,573.90
RECEIVED TO DATE	340,644.39	348,317.49
DESIGNATED RECEIPTS	1,718.27	1,402.99
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 11,196.94	\$ 9,076.09
% Required Yrly Budget Rec'd	90%	90%
% Required Wkly Budget Rec'd	103%	83%



Monday - Thursday

8:30 to 5:00

Friday

8:30 to 3:00

CHURCH STAFF

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Prayer Requests

Carolynne Johnson (Susan Higgins' sister); The Family of Carlease Burnette, (Larkin Conley's mother); Martha Easter, shoulder surgery; The Family of David Smith; Chad Trent, cancer (Linda Riddle's nephew); Sharon Garrett, cancer; Nancy Carpenter; Sara Lindsey; Zachary Thornton, cancer; Barbara Baxley; Laila Cox; Ronald Vaught; Alice Hasbrouck (Susan Honaker's sister); Imogene Frye; Kim Kinser, cancer (Mary Dotson's daughter); Lou Brock (Betty Parrish's daughter); Mark Horton, multiple myeloma; Wanda Jean Harris; Mike McMillan; Juan Rios; Colene Larrowe; Geraldine McMillan (Rhonda McMillan's mother); Fran Halsey; K.T. Carico; Betty Walker, Stage IV cancer (Penny Adams' sister); Stanley Meador (Marie Combs' son); Gladys Catron; Max Brown, leukemia (Martha Dozier's great-grandson); Mary Littreal; Sylvia Robinson, cancer; Nell Bartlett; Betty Robinson, kidney failure; Judy Fayne, cancer (Eugene Fayne's daughter); John & Debby Stringer; Ronald Cummings (Dolly Moss' brother); Betty Fender (Ann Roberts' mother); Our Country; The Unemployed; USA Military and other coalition forces;

NURSING HOMES: Hillsville Health & Rehab - Martha Combs, Rm 203 (Dennis Combs' Mother); Doris Marshall, Rm 206 (Benita Bryant's Mother); **Waddell Nursing Home** - Glennis Morris, Rm 111-B; Helen Robinson, Rm 209-D






*O earth, earth,
earth, hear the
word of the Lord.*



Jeremiah 22:29

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 6:00pm-Hospice Memorial Service <div>Women's Get Away—Eagle Eyrie</div>	2
3 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship Service 12:15pm-Welcome Luncheon: Pastor Steve & Wendy Goatley 6:00pm-TruNorth 	4 5:15pm-Pilates 6:00pm-Youth Band 6:00pm-Kevin's Bible Study	5 9-12 Weekday Preschool 10:00am-Staff Meeting 11:00am to 1:00pm Scams, Fraud & Abuse Education	6 9-12 Weekday Preschool 1:30pm-Clothes Closet 6:30pm-Sanctuary Choir 6:30pm-Kingdom Kids 6:30pm-Prayer Meeting (Fellowship begins at 6 pm)	7 9-12 Weekday Preschool	8 9-12 Weekday Preschool	9
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November 3

Anita Hernandez
Lilly Somner

November 10

Patti Holderfield

November 23

Skylar Cline

November 4

Emily Williams

November 11

Daniel Sanchez

November 25

Larry Spangler

November 6

Ronnie McGrady
Lisa Whittle

November 14

Gage Cooke
Fernando Robles

November 26

Phyllis Moore
Christy Sumner

November 7

Gary Ballard

November 16

Tony Gonzalez

November 27

Penny Adams

November 8

Paulette Peterson

November 18

Martha Easter

November 28

Karen Stevens

November 9

Jorge Robles
Linda Soles

November 19

Jorge Pineda

November 30

Terry Anders
David Bailey
Gary Orwig