

FINANCIAL REPORT

May 17, 2009

Budget
 Offerings \$ 10,941.15
 Budget Needs
 Per Week \$ 12,616.08
 Budget Needs
 To Date \$252,321.54
 Budget Receipts
 To Date \$256,389.19

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

May 17, 2009

General Officers	5
Preschool	24
Grades 1 - 2	6
Grades 3 - 4	3
Grades 5 - 6	9
Junior High	6
Senior High	13
Journey as One Class	8
Shuford Class	7
Young Adult Class	17
Ladies Class	8
Ledbetter Class	35
Beam Class	32
Samaritan Class	11
20-30 Something Class	2
	<u>186</u>

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

May 24, 2009

BABIES

Harriet Moore
Jo Ann Suddreth

TODDLERS

Chris and Jackie
Washburn

TWO YEAR OLDS

Mark and Teresa
Transou

THREE YEAR OLDS

Sheila McGalliard
Debbie Kent-Smith

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Rodney and Lucy Cook

Please come to the
Nursery at 10:50 a.m.

YOUTH NEWS

Sunday, May 24 -

Memorial Weekend
 Church Jam
 (with First Baptist,
 First Methodist,
 First Presbyterian,
 St. Paul's,
 Bushtown Mennonite,
 and
 Lower Creek Baptist)

Arrive at Lower Creek
 at 6:00 p.m. for
 worship and supper.
 Parents pick up at
 7:30 p.m.

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**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
COMING UP JUNE 22!**

We still need volun-
teers to help with our
Vacation Bible School.

If you can volunteer
to help during VBS,
please contact Amy
Moore at 244-2975 or
Lucy Cook at 292-0282.

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THANK YOU

A special thank you
to Helen and John Dock-
ery and Steve Bumgarner
for their incredible
thoughtfulness and care
as we discovered Wash-
ington as I had never
seen!!

It was a pleasure to
meet so many new
friends (even a Queen)-
they made me (an out-
sider) feel at ease and
at home.

I have stored many
happy memories.

Thank you, First
Baptist of Lenoir.

Betty Banks Erwin

BIRTHDAYS

May 25

Mrs. Jerri Heltzer

May 26

Jonathan Benfield
Griffin Bryson

May 27

Jo Ann Gibbons

May 28

Jerry Austn
Clint Castellaw, Jr.
Mrs. Edith Correll
Mrs. Stephanie Lee

May 30

Robert E. Lee, Jr.
Mrs. Linda Priddy

May 31

Mrs. Sarah Hamrick
Mrs. Elizabeth
Sherrill

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MEMORIAL DAY

Memorial Day will be
observed officially on
Monday, May 25th. The
church office will also
be closed on this date.

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NOTICE TO DIACONATE

PLEASE NOTE - Due to
the official observance
of Memorial Day on May
25th, our next Deacons'
meeting will be on Mon-
day, June 1st.

PASTOR'S NOTES

One of the important ministries of our church that is sometimes overlooked is the increasing use of our building facilities. Throughout the week we host several prayer groups which use the Coffee Room and the Board Room. Last week the Fuel Fund ministry met with persons in need two mornings in the Multipurpose Room.

Last Friday we had the Rotary Club in the dining room at noon and then the Lenoir Police Department held a service in our Chapel that evening. On Saturday there was a wedding shower in the morning in the dining room and then a Hibriten High School athletic banquet that night. On Sunday afternoon the dining room was re-arranged to accommodate our children's musical night.

This usage is in addition to our regular ministries which are scheduled each week. We've been blessed with wonderful, attractive, and functional facilities. It is a true ministry in our community that we can share what we have received for the Glory of God.

Today, as I walked through the buildings on one of my regular "walk-about," I heard the organ. The organ tuner is in town making adjustments to keep this marvelous instrument tuned correctly. This tuning is scheduled on a regular basis and the technician

picks up little movements of the notes which are not completely in tune. His subtle ear hears what most of us cannot detect. If he did not check the organ on a regular basis, in time we'd all (even we of the tone deaf society) would know that something is wrong. Even well designed and built organs such as ours, need constant adjustments.

We are in need of tuning as well. The measure of our life is not of our own choosing, but how we stay tuned to God's design for us. We need the presence of the Spirit in our life to correct our "off key" life choices and attitudes so that we might be as well tuned instruments to the Glory of God.

DBS

THANK YOU

The maintenance and planning for the plants and landscaping around First Baptist Church are a labor of love that has components requiring attention almost twelve months a year. We are blessed to have a conscientious group of individuals quietly contributing their talents to the landscaping of our church and thus to the cheerful welcome it present to our town and community. Serving this year are Alice Austin, Ed Beam, Margie Broach, Nelson Brookshire, Sue Ellen Brookshire, Bill Donaldson, III, Peg Ellis, Cecelia Miller, Frances Miller,

Judy Raby, Peggy Shore, Hazel Stephenson, Seth Stilwell, Jerry Triplett, Derrick Walters, Brenda Walters and Mary Miller. David Livingston, Sr. makes sure the roses are fed properly and at the right time each year. The committee continues to thank Sarah Hamrick for guidelines carefully developed while the committee was under her watch care. Additionally, Tom Smith and the Property Committee have added immensely to the appearance of all our plants and beds.

To all these and others whose gifts have made the plantings possible, THANKS!

Gary Shore, Chm.
Beautification Comm.

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CHURCH LEAGUE SOFT BALL

Our First Baptist team has won all of the two games played thus far!

Let's get out and support our team. Below is the schedule - all games at Mulberry Rec:

May 26 -

6:30 Field #1

FBC vs. Crestview

7:30 - Field #1

FBC vs. N.Catawba

June 2-

6:30 Field #1

FBC vs. First Pres.

7:30 Field #1

Crestview vs. FBC

June 9 -

6:30 Field #3

N. Catawba vs. FBC

7:30 Field #3

First Pres. Vs. FBC

(see back page)

June 16 -
6:30 Field #3
FBC vs. Crestview
7:30 Field #1
FBC vs. N. Catawba

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IN OUR LIBRARY

Whales in Crisis

National Geographic
Special on DVD

Can't get to the beach just yet? Try a new DVD about whales at your FBC library. You can swim with these whales as you learn all about them.

A perfect hour of entertainment for young and old.

Library Hours:
Sundays from 10 until
10:30 a.m.
Wednesdays from 9
a.m. until 2 p.m.

FAMILY NIGHT MENU

Wednesday, May 27

Stew Beef with
Carrots and Potatoes
Steamed Broccoli
Buttered Biscuits
Apple Carrot Coleslaw
Holy Cow Cake
**PB & J, chips

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**WEDNESDAY NIGHT
WELCOME AND BLESSING
May 27**

Chris Washburn

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT
DINNER TAKE-OUTS
May 27**

Dennis Whitener

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**SUNDAY MORNING
OFFERTORY PRAYER
May 24**

Carol Frye

STAFF

David B. Smith
Senior Minister

Thomas R. Hinton
Minister of Music and Youth

Rebecca K. Lawing
Children's Ministry

Nan R. Benfield
Preschool Director

Rodney Ward
Organist

Elizabeth Icenhour
Executive Assistant

Geneva R. Bradshaw
Administrative Assistant

Paul C. McCurry
Maintenance Supervisor

Terri Clapsaddle
Hostess

Terry Hagy
Custodian

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