UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- Our Annual Congregational Meeting has been rescheduled for tonight, 1/26/25, at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary.
- In preparation for the 2025 Annual Congregational Meeting, please see below the following Board Members up for reelection:

<u>Elders</u> Tom LaBarbera

<u>Deacons</u> Eugene Hyde Mark Scott Bill Staton

- Please see the insert for instructions for absentee ballots if needed
- Some of our own kids in 4H are taking up donations for Community Crossroads Center – if you are interested in donating, please see Monica Briley "Every night, up to 98 of our neighbors find safety, shelter & a warm meal at the Community Crossroads Center. They are in need of the following items:

Toothpaste	Hats
Lotion	Scarves
Coffee	Gloves
Creamer	Socks
30 gallon totes	

SERVING SCHEDULES

Sunday School & Worship Services- Nursery 1/26 SS/Church: Wendy Stancill, Allison Swart & Abby Gaskins 2/02 SS/Church: Sheryl Scott, Wendy Tucker & Madison Woolard

Communion Table Jan: A.J. Stancill & Tom LaBarbera **Feb:** Greg Spain & Dan Black

Preparing CommunionJan: Sheri/Helaina BlackFeb: Mary & Tom LaBarbera

Unlock & Secure the BuildingJanuary: Bill StatonFebruary: Greg Spain

OpeningPrayer RequestCommunion Med2/02 Tom LaBarbera2/02 Euguene Hyde2/02 Dan Black2/09 WL2/09 Tom LaBarbera2/09 Robert Pinner

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Music Director/Pianist: Jewell Whitehurst

Organist: Mary Coburn

Sound System: Dewayne Woolard, Mark Scott, David Tucker, Eric Briley & Ian Garris

Cancer Care Ministry: mtpleasantcancercare@gmail.com

For updates for the bulletin, contact Debra Staton at statondp53@gmail.com or call/text 252-717-3297 (Please begin using my Gmail address)

For announcement videos, please call/text Stephanie Mayo at 919-427-1434 or contact Dewayne Woolard.



UPCOMING AT MPCC

SUNDAY 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship Service 4:00 PM Choir Practice 5:00 PM Children's Services 5:30 PM Evening Service

MONDAY 7:00 PM Ladies Aid Meeting (2nd Monday of each month) date February 14th.

Winter Jam 2025 – event

CCYC – February 14-16 Be in prayer for our young people

TUESDAY

10:00 AM Bible Study 7:00 PM Board Meeting (2nd Tuesday of each month)

WEDNESDAY

4:30 PM Youth Group 6:00 PM Kid's Group 6:00 PM Worship Leader Practice 7:00 PM Bible Study

ORDER OF SERVICE

CALL TO WORSHIP					
"In The Name Of The L	ord"	(2x)	WL/Choir		
WELCOME/ANNOUNC	EMENTS		A.J. Stancill		
PRAISE & WORSHIP					
"Greater"			Screen		
"Greater Is He That Is I	n Me" (2x)		245		
"The Solid Rock"	(v1 & c	ch)	215		
"Because He Lives"	(ch)		169		
Communion Meditatio	on	Bra	ndon Jenkins		
Communion Music	"In Christ Alo	ne"	Screen		
Communion (if you wish to partake of the Lord's Supper, please hold emblems & take in unison)					
Please place your offering in plates as you exit after the service					
Prayer Requests		R	obert Pinner		

Morning Message	John Ormond	
"Be Strong In The Lord"	Ephesians 6:10-13	

Musical Offering Be Strong In The Lord"

Hymn of Decision	"Without Him"	(v1 & 2)	176			
*Closing Prayer						
*Closing Hymn	"He Lives"	(ch)	167			

Choir

* Please Stand

Depart to Serve

SERMON

Sermon: Be Strong In The Lord Text: Ephesians 6:10 – 13 Thesis: Strength Of The Flesh Is Immaterial.

I. Paul Didn't Encourage Us To Be Strongminded. A. Strength of the flesh fails. B. Strength in the Lord never fails. II. Paul Didn't Encourage Us To Be Strongwilled. A. Your strong will is not enough defense. B. Our lives aren't about our will, but about His

will. III. Paul Didn't Encourage Us To Be Strong-

intentioned.

A. Good and strong intentions are not enough. B. The adversary are celestial beings.

Conclusion: The good news is that you don't have to. God wants you to rely on His strength. Paul strongly advises the saints to do so. There is too much to lose to go in half-heartedly. No time to be ill informed or to be ill prepared. Your soul and the souls of all humanity are truly at stake. Mature, spiritually intelligent Christians will see and understand. But so many, who think they are mature, will miss this altogether. I urge you to see the words of Paul and take heed. May God bless us and see us to victory.

Sermon Notes Date: Speaker: Message Title: Passage: Main Points: 2. 3. 4. 5. Verses Used:

PRAYER CONCERNS 1/26/25

- 1 Wayne Harrell surgery 1/27
- 2 Edna Wade recovering from hip surgery
- 3 Lois Hurley blood vessel burst in eye
- 4 Lavern Mills skin cancer
- 5 Stacy Latham lung cancer
- 6 Vickie Barnett blood clot which needs surgery to remove
- 7 Rachel Galin allergic reaction from c-section
- 8 Donnie Letchworth MRI revealed no brain tumor; awaiting scans on kidney
- 9 Les Owens lung cancer
- 10 Jackie Liebrandt stage 3 colon cancer; starting treatments 1/31
- 11 Mike Beach cataract surgery 1/27
- 12 Ricky Woolard-surgery-remove basilar artery blockage
- 13 Tracy Skinner surgery
- 14 Jordan Schile home; awaiting biopsy of liver
- 15 Jewell Whitehurst rescheduled surgery 2/03
- 16 Jody Harman surgery
- 17 Greg Rhue eye sight issues
- 18 Patti Columbe in a study to cure her type 1 diabetes
- 19 Heather Folsom undergoing treatments for breast cancer & just found out it has spread to her bones
- 20 Jim Swart back in the hospital
- 21 Eli Cook doing well after heart surgery
- 22 Wanda Harrington liver cancer
- 23 Ethan Stone needs double hip replacement at UNC
- 24 Ernie Deal surgery for cancer in the ear
- 25 Terry Reel lung cancer
- 26 Clint Collins Durden NB breathing issues/PT/still tests
- 27 Tommy Stuart moved to long term rehab facility
- 28 Daniel Vincek brain tumor; surgery on 2/02
- 29 Laura Jones back in the hospital limited visits
- 30 Amy Moore recovering from gall bladder surgery

PRAYER CONCERNS continued 1/26/25

- 36 Richard Quinn lung cancer
- 37 Tina Scott improving; to see urologist 1/15
- 38 Mary LaBarbera follow up appt moved to February for eyes
- 39 Sue Ellen Mosley cancer has returned
- 40 Mission Team to Nicaragua in Feb (Renee Spain)
- 41 Rita Mahaffey ICU having trouble breathing
- 42 Shelby Brown palliative care
- 43 Doug Weber cancer; had stroke; undergoing inpatient rehab
- 44 Darline Cole experiencing early dementia
- 45 Leslie Jordan awaiting results from MRI

LOVE & SUPPORT	
Carrie Elmore	Myrna Rogerson
Andy McKinney	Dawn Johnson
Glynn Bright	Savanna Grace Bailey
Neal Carson	Owen Robinson
Peggy Hoyst	Mike Hoyst
Riley Koontz	Bob Barbour
Raymond McKinzey	
	Carrie Elmore Andy McKinney Glynn Bright Neal Carson Peggy Hoyst

On-Going Prayers For Our Church Family

Our Country

Our Church Leaders Our Music Ministry Our Youth Ministry Our Military Forces

If there are any updates for the existing prayer concerns, please let us know so we can make sure we have the most accurate updates on each person listed. You can email or text Debra Staton - statondp53@gmail.com or <u>252-717-3297</u> - with any updates or additions to our prayer concerns. Thank you!

"Tell Everyone about God's power. His majesty shines

down...his strength is mighty in the heavens."

Psalm 68:34 NLT

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Winter Trip meal donations sheet is in the foyer. Thank you to those who've already signed up. Please have your



items (Soup, sauce, or cinnamon rolls) placed in the church freezers (Youth Room or Kitchen) by Wednesday. (See Stephanie or Dewayne if you would like to donate monetarily.)

Youth Aquarium Sleepover— We are planning a sleepover at Pine Knoll Shores Aquarium for March 28th (possibly May 9). Please fill out the online form or signup sheet in the foyer to show interest in the event. Once the date is set, Deposits will be \$25 per each, the total



cost being \$50; this includes Dinner, Snacks, breakfast, activities/presentations, and admission after hours. A minimum of 15 attendees are needed for the event.

ECU Basketball game, February 23rd (2 PM); group



tickets are \$10. The deadline to sign up and purchase tickets is February. 2nd. Sign up in the foyer or use the QR code. (QR code attached)

Absentee Ballot Completion

(To be given to person requesting absentee ballot)

- 1. Complete ballot. Ballot can be completed and returned immediately after receiving it or it can be returned at a later date prior to deadline to the designated person only. Only one ballot per set of envelopes. Place completed ballot inside the small envelope and seal it.....DO NOT WRITE ANYTHING ON THE SMALL ENVELOPE!
- 2. Place small envelope (sealed) inside the large envelope which is considered the outside envelope.
- 3. Seal outside envelope and write your name on it.
- 4. Return envelope to designated person <u>at least 6 hours prior</u> to the voting.

Please note: Once the absentee ballot is returned to the designated person, the absentee ballot will be the only vote for the eligible member. No absentee ballot will be accepted after the designated deadline.