

COVENANT NEWS
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 Week of July 8, 2018
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 Covenant Baptist Church
 3131 Erskine Drive, Gastonia, NC 28054



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OPPORTUNITIES – Week of July 8, 2018

- Sunday, July 8**
 9:30 am Coffee Fellowship
 9:45 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Worship Service
- Monday, July 9**
 7:30 pm Handbell Practice
- Tuesday, July 10**
 9:00 am Speeders – GRITS N GREENS
 Main Street in Lowell, NC
 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting
- Wednesday, July 11**
 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- Saturday, July 14**
 Reserved - Ed Building & Fellowship Hall
 Summer Music Fest Rehearsal

The secretary will be off Friday, July 13 and Friday, July 27.

VOLUNTEERS

	BABIES & TODDLERS	PRESCHOOL
JULY 8	Libby & Meredith McCraw	Linda Pettigrew & Dianne Duncan
JULY 15	Robin & Leeann Jacobs	Pam Phillips & Assistant
JULY 22	Renee & Hannah Phillips	Pam Phillips & Assistant
JULY 29	Susan Herd & Cathy Brooks	Pam Phillips & Assistant

JULY		
DEACON	BUILDING LOCK-UP	USHERS
Sidney Lanier	Randy Strider	InAsMuch Class

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

*The prayer of the upright pleases God.
 Paraphrased - Proverbs 15:8*

- Pam Buckner
 (Iris Avery, Libby McCraw’s sister-in-law)
 (Dennis Clark, Becky Bumgardner’s cousin)
 (Regina Elmore, Linda Bess’ sister)
 (Lisa Grigg, Debbie Strider’s sister-in-law)
 (Jerry Hill – Trudy Shuford’s brother-in-law)
 (Charlain Fitzgerald) (Mary Kerley)
 (Lena Marston – 4 years old – Cancer
 Betty Ammons, Friend of Family)
 (Wayne & Gayle Maples & Wayne’s Family)
 (Larry Marshall) (Ernie Smith)
 (Jerry Moss, Gayle Beam’s brother)
 Norah Kay Summerville,
 Wayne Ballenger’s Granddaughter
 (Salvation for a Mother)

**SUMMER
 MUSIC FEST**
 AND WORSHIP
 presented by
 Covenant Baptist Choir and Clover First Baptist Choir
JULY 15

8:30am at CLOVER FIRST BAPTIST 117 S. Main St. Clover, SC 29710 803-222-3216	11:00am at COVENANT BAPTIST 3131 Erskine Dr. Gastonia, NC 704-865-3336
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SUNDAY SCHOOL SUMMER SCHEDULE

Adult Sunday School Classes will meet in the Fellowship Hall during July and August.

JULY TEACHERS:

- July 8 – Linda Pettigrew
- July 15 – Jan Kuhn
- July 22 – Debbie Strider
- July 29 – Wanda McCraw



**MISSION ACTION COUNCIL
MISSION PROJECT
FOR
JULY & AUGUST**

**CANNED GOODS
FOR
GREATER GASTON BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**



**SUMMER MUSIC FEST & WORSHIP
JULY 14-15**



On Saturday, July 14, singers from Covenant Baptist and Clover First Baptist Churches will gather to practice select festival pieces for services for the following day.

The following day, Sunday, July 15, the combined group will meet in Clover at 7:45 am for an 8:30 am worship service in the Clover First Baptist Sanctuary.

The group will then travel to Covenant for the 11:00 am service of music.

The service will include guest musicians playing 4-hand piano, brass and percussion ensemble, organ and piano accompaniment. Selections will include soloists, bass guitar and a combined men's double quartet.

The public is invited at no charge to either or both Sunday services. Please plan to be here and invite your friends to worship with us on this special day.

DEACON BALLOTS



Deacon ballots will be available on Sunday, July 8. Ballots must be returned to the box provided in the narthex by 12:00 pm, Sunday, July 29.

Handbells

Handbells will be played for the August 5 and the September 16 services. The handbell rehearsal schedule is as follows:

PRACTICE "Be Thou My Vision"

Monday, July 9	7:30pm	Sanctuary
Monday, July 16	7:30pm	Sanctuary
Monday, July 23	7:30pm	Sanctuary
Monday, July 30	7:30pm	Sanctuary

PLAY FOR SERVICE SUNDAY, AUGUST 5

PRACTICE "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Monday, Aug. 20	7:30pm	Sanctuary
Monday, Aug. 27	7:30pm	Sanctuary
Tuesday, Sept. 4	7:30pm	Sanctuary
Tuesday, Sept. 11	7:30pm	Sanctuary

PLAY FOR SERVICE SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

**CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 10 7:00 PM**



Updated directories are located in the narthex.