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OPPORTUNITIES – Week of August 12, 2018

Sunday, August 12

- 9:30 am Coffee Fellowship
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 5:00 pm John Mason - Hammered Dulcimer Concert

Tuesday, August 14

- 9:00 am Speeders - GRITS N GREENS in Lowell
- 2:00 pm Staff Meeting

Wednesday, August 15

- 7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

**Friday Church Office Closings –
August 17 & 31**

VOLUNTEERS

BABIES & TODDLERS

PRESCHOOL

| | | |
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| AUGUST 12 | Renee & Hannah Phillips | Pam Phillips & Assistant |
| AUGUST 19 | Robin & Leeann Jacobs | Pam Phillips & Assistant |
| AUGUST 26 | Susan Herd & Cathy Brooks | Pam Phillips & Assistant |

AUGUST

DEACON

BUILDING LOCK-UP

USHERS

Brenda White

Wayne Ballenger

Alpha Class



Rev. Chris Hensley, Pastor
 Rev. Pamela Phillips, Minister of Preschool and Children
 Rev. Nick Clanton, Minister of Youth
 Gene and Becky Bumgardner, Co-Directors of Music
 Becky Bumgardner, Pianist
 Jerry Fulham, Organist
 Sharon Waters, Church Secretary
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OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

“Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you.” – Jeremiah 29:12 NIV

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)
- (Molly Menger,)
- Moris & Linda McSwain’s granddaughter)
- (Larry Marshall) (Ernie Smith)
- (Calissa Stubbs, Prissy Griffin’s granddaughter)
- (Salvation for a Mother)

CALLED CONFERENCE- AUGUST 12

There will be a called church conference Sunday, August 12, following the morning worship for the purpose of the Nominating Committee to submit recommendations for standing committees for the upcoming three-year term. Copies of the nominating committee recommendations are located on the narthex table.

ANNUAL BACK-TO-SCHOOL ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Ice Cream with Sundae Fixings
AUGUST 26 5:30 pm



COVENANT BAPTIST 30TH HOMECOMING

SEPTEMBER 16

Save the date!

If you would be interested in accompanying Pastor Chris and representing Covenant Baptist Church at this free event, let Pastor Chris know by August 23. You may call him at (704) 349-8559 or email him at chensley@covenantbaptist.net.

You're Invited For breakfast and Conversation

“How Your Congregation Can Benefit by connecting with the CaroMont Faith & Health Ministry”

Wednesday August 29, 2018

8:30 am

CaroMont Regional Medical Center (Dogwood Room)

Are you interested in establishing or strengthening a Health & Wellness Ministry in your faith community? Would you like to have free support in accessing resources for health education awareness events and presentations? Would you like to collaborate with other congregations on community outreach events such as:

- **NC MedAssist Free Mobile Pharmacy event** – providing free over-the-counter products, and enrolling individuals in the program to receive free prescription meds
- **Health Fairs & Screenings**
- **Fitness & Spiritual Wellness Programs** (Run for God, Walk to Jerusalem)
- **Free Heart Healthy Cooking Classes**
- **Workshops on Advance Directives** (Living Wills, Healthcare Power of Attorney)
- **Stress Management Workshops**
- **Programs for Older Adults** (Matter of Balance)
- **Cancer Survivor Celebrations**

Feel free to bring individuals from your congregation who have a passion for health/wellness/fitness, who may be willing to lead this ministry or assist in the planning of events in your congregation. This does not need to be a nurse, however, if you know a nurse who may be interested in learning more about Faith Community Nursing, there are grant funds available to assist with costs for training in this specialty.



With
Deepest
Sympathy...

We express our Christian sympathy to Nancy Beauchamp and family in the loss of her husband and one of our dear members, Jim Beauchamp.

Please know that your church family is remembering you and your family in thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

GIFTS HAVE BEEN GIVEN



In Memory of Jim Beauchamp

- General Fund James and Janice Hall
- General Fund Sidney and Joan Lanier
- General Fund Lynwood and Roslyn Lavinder
- General Fund George and Linda Pettigrew

Covenant Church Family,

We are calling on all members who have an interest in writing, sharing the Good News of Christ, and participating in the celebration of the Advent season. We would love to hear from our brothers and sisters of our church family as we plan to put together an Advent devotional. Specifically, we would like anyone who may be interested to contribute one, or more if necessary, daily readings for the upcoming season of Advent that begins on December 2 and continues through Christmas Day. Ideally, we are looking for twenty-four participants to write one devotional each. If you would like to write so that your sisters and brothers may hear your voice, please let Pastor Chris know by August 31. All devotions will be due by November 11.



What we are hoping for is that each devotion will be approximately 250 words. I will provide a handful of scripture options for each day that each author may select from to avoid overlap. Our hope is that each author will draw from his/her own experience in their writing so that we may hear from the many voices that make Covenant so special. The format of the book will likely be similar to that of the security booklet distributed earlier this summer. We hope that you will prayerfully consider adding your voice to the mix.

Pastor Chris



**MISSION ACTION COUNCIL
PROJECT FOR AUGUST
CANNED GOODS FOR
GREATER GASTON BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION**

A Study in Acts by Hope Parks
Each Wednesday during the
2018 – 2019 school calendar year
Beginning September 5
9:10 am – 11:15 am
Parkwood Baptist Church

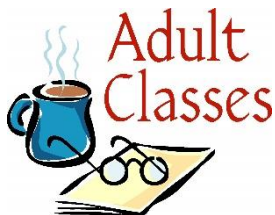


SUNDAY SCHOOL SUMMER SCHEDULE

The combined Adult Sunday School Classes will continue to meet in the Fellowship Hall throughout August and return to the individual classes September 2.

TEACHERS

- August 12 Lynwood Lavinder
- August 19 Sue Reavis
- August 26 Trudy Shuford



Acts is the study of the Holy Spirit and the formation of the church. This book is for every Christian who wants to experience the power of the Holy Spirit and be a witness for Jesus Christ “to the ends of the earth.”
Acts 1:8

Ask God what part He wants you to play in taking the gospel to the whole world starting right where you are. “Lord, what do you want me to do?” *Acts 9:6*

If you would like to register before the class begins, contact Dula Leggette (704-825-1163) and pay for your registration. This way you will already be placed in a core group.