

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Thursday, September 4
2:00 PM Chrismon Class

Friday, September 5
Church Office Closed

Saturday, September 6
8:30 AM Ingrained Outreach Session
9:00 AM Pickleball

Sunday, September 7
7:00 AM Deacon's Meeting
8:30 AM Early Worship
9:30 AM Sunday School (Promotion Day)
10:30 AM Worship Service
4:30 PM Joy Ringers
5:15 PM Youth Handbells
6:00 PM FBC Youth Night
6:00 PM Women's Bible Study (DH)

Monday, September 8
10:30 AM FBC Staff Meeting
12:00 PM Rotary Club
3:00 PM Advanced Men's Pickleball (65+)

Tuesday, September 9
9:30 AM FBC Chapel
10:30 AM TopAgers Meeting & Luncheon
5:00 PM Pickleball

Wednesday, September 10
6:00 PM Worship Team Rehearsal
6:00 PM Children's Choir
6:00 PM Youth Choir
6:30 PM Adult Choir
6:30 PM FBC Kids
6:30 PM FBC Youth
6:30 PM Prayer Meeting

Congratulations to our Newly Elected Deacons



Harry Brogden



Neal Alexander



Jim Watson



Marshall Gunter



Karen Miller



Denise Girvin




Samuel Bridges

Thanks to each Deacon for their willingness to serve.



Join us Sunday,
September 7th at 9:30 am
for Sunday School in your
new class.



Deacon's Meeting
7:00 AM on
Sunday,
September 7th



Ingrained Training Session
Saturday, Sept. 6 Breakfast, 8:30-9:00 am
Session, 9:00 am-12:00 pm in FLC Dining Room
We look forward to meeting
with everyone who signed up.

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TopAgers are you excited that September is almost here? Your TopAger Committee certainly is and hope you are as well. Our first meeting of the year will

be **September 9, 10:30 in the FLC Dining Room** and we have an outstanding program planned to kick off the year, and as I often say, I can almost smell the aroma of the wonderful meal that Jane will prepare for us. And did I mention TopAger fellowship?.....The greatest fellowship of all kind! Please be sure that you have TopAgers marked on your September 9 calendar and plan to be present. Also please call the Church Office at 704-732-1101 to let us know that you are coming. Looking forward to seeing you in a few short weeks!

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The “Main Thing” for the Church

By Scott Hagaman, Pastor

Several years ago while navigating the effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic, I found myself deeply pondering how the church was going to re-engage after so much disruption. At that time, there were a lot of voices pointing the church towards all sorts of immediate trends. However, a Stephen Covey quote that I had heard many times before caught my attention and rang true. Covey is a popular American author, who published in 1989 the book, “The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People.” Covey says that one of those key “habits” is, as he puts it, “The main thing is keeping the main thing the main thing.” For the church (and for all Christians in general), especially during times of disruption and change, we need to keep the “main thing the main thing.” What is the “main thing” for the church? That’s an easy question to answer. Jesus is the main thing. The Book of Acts is a good place to see the church focused on the “Main Thing.” The Book of Acts records how the church was born and developed in those earliest years after Jesus’ resurrection and ascension. Since that time, the world has changed a lot. However, Jesus and his Good News has not changed. The mission of the church has not changed. Also, foundationally, people have not changed. We are all sinners in need of the Savior. On Saturday, Sept. 6, we will begin a conversation called *Ingrained*. Dr. Bill Wilson will help us evaluate how we engage in ministry, aiming to raise our level of engagement, especially through hospitality, outreach, missions, and evangelism. I hope you will participate and be a part of the conversation. Also, on Wednesday evenings, I hope you will participate in our weekly Prayer Meetings, where I will be teaching from the Book of Acts. How did the early church focus on the Main Thing? Let’s study the Book of Acts together and find out! As always, God’s Word will give us clarion guidance on how to be the church faithfully and effectively together!

COLLEGE ADDRESSES



It is time to update our records for those away at college. Please call the church office at 704-732-1101 or email us at fbclinton@fbclinton.org and provide your (or your child’s) name, the school name, the year of graduation, school/ mailing address, phone number, and email. Thank you for keeping us up-to-date!



BASKETBALL & CHEERLEADING

REGISTRATION OPEN NOW

Sign up at <https://registration.upward.org/UPW88503>

SAVE THE DATE! UPWARD VOLUNTEER TRAINING

SEPTEMBER 13 | 8:00-11:00AM



**BREAKFAST
INCLUDED**

EVERYONE IS INVITED



Sympathy

We extend our sympathies to Dwight Drum in the loss of his sister, Deane Caudle,

to Debbie Sipe in the loss of her aunt, Bub Hill,

to Fred Scott in the loss of his brother, Bobby Scott, and to the family of Larry Mac Hovis.

YOUTH FUNDRAISER YARD SALE

DONATE TODAY

Donate any clothing, household items, & more. We appreciate your support!

Donation Drop-off Time:
Sept. 26 6pm-8pm @FLC
Contact for earlier Drop-off or Pick-up

WNS Update



The return of Wednesday Night Suppers is going to take a little longer than anticipated to get up and running. Our hope is still to have meals for everyone in place later this Fall. Beginning September 10th we will offer a snack supper to our children and youth beginning at 5 p.m. Activities for these folks begin at 6 p.m. and we want to provide this snack supper so that parents will not have to worry about getting children fed before coming to church. If you'd like more information about helping out with the WNS program, please contact Denise Girvin at 434-242-5564. We still need lots of volunteers to help in order to prepare a meal for everyone. Thanks for your consideration.

2025-2026 Budget Process

- ◆ Present Budget to Deacons 9/7/25
- ◆ Present Budget to Church Conference 9/17/25 with discussion
- ◆ Present to Church (both 8:30 am and 10:30 am) in business meeting for a vote on Sunday 9/21/25 with no discussion.

WEEK OF AUGUST 31, 2025

Weekly Undesignated Contribution Requirement	\$18,757.69		
Actual Undesignated Contributions	\$10,589.54		
Weekly Deficit	\$8,168.15		
YTD Undesignated Contribution Requirement	\$900,369.12		
YTD Actual Contributions	\$799,262.54		
YTD Deficit	\$101,106.58		
Upward	\$75.00	Foreign Missions	\$50.00
Christian Ministry	\$100.00	Music	\$50.00
Ingrained	\$700.00	YTD: \$3,500.00	

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

8:30 AM Worship	79
10:30 AM Worship	156
Total in Worship	235
Sunday School	200
Nursing Home	10
Total in Sunday School	210

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Ministry Opportunity



FBC will be hosting a booth for the Apple Festival on October 18th. **We need your help!** Children, youth, all Adult Classes, and ideas are needed as to how to make this successful in introducing our church to the community and beyond. Meeting soon. Be prepared to share ideas.

North Carolina Missions Offering

During the month of September, we will collect donations for the NC Missions Offering. This special offering will support the ministries of Baptists on Mission, Church Planting, mission camps, and ministry projects.

FBC Goal: \$8,000
YTD: \$2,375



CHURCH MEMBER PRAYER CONCERNS

Judy Abernathy	Sylvia Linker
Pat Ballard	William McCollough
Joan Bangle	Jerry Payseur
Donna Beasley	Sara Peek
Sharon Bondurant	Linda Segrest
Mary Bridges	Ruth Schrum
Doris Brown	Wayne Schrum
Derrick Canipe	Vel Souders
Shelby Coffey	Jim Thackston
Gale Deal	Jim Watson
Vicky Gilbert	Elaine Wright
Steve Gurley	Harvey Young
Bob Hodges	Kim Zickefoose
Trudy Hoffman	
Mark Johnson	
Michelle Johnson	● Facilities Technician
Kay Lawing	



Women's Bible Study

We will kick off our fall Bible Study on Sunday, Sept. 7th from 6:00 -7:30 pm in the dining hall by talking about the book I Didn't Sign Up for This.

If you want to join the Women's Bible Study for The fall book Isaiah, please let Michelle know.

FBC STAFF

Rev. Dr. M. Scott Hagaman	<i>Senior Pastor</i>
Rev. Dr. Aaron M. Rice	<i>Minister of Music</i>
Alisha A. Hinson	<i>Director of Children's Ministry</i>
Mekenna R. Boswell	<i>Director of Student Ministry</i>
Timothy Scruggs	<i>Organist</i>
Libby Wilson/Harriet Dobbins	<i>10:30 Pianists</i>
Anna Bowman	<i>Business Manager/Financial Secretary</i>
Lora Taylor	<i>Administrative Assistant</i>
Layla Sawyer	<i>Office Assistant</i>
April Jackson	<i>Custodian</i>

2025 READ THROUGH THE BIBLE

September 3	Proverbs 27-29	I Corinthians 8
September 4	Proverbs 30-31	I Corinthians 9
September 5	Ecclesiastes 1-3	I Corinthians 10
September 6	Ecclesiastes 4-7	I Corinthians 11
September 7	Ecclesiastes 8-12	I Corinthians 12
September 8	Song of Solomon 1-4	I Corinthians 13
September 9	Song of Solomon 5-8	I Corinthians 14
September 10	Isaiah 1-4	I Corinthians 15
September 11	Isaiah 5-7	I Corinthians 16
September 12	Isaiah 8-9	II Corinthians 1
September 13	Isaiah 10-12	II Corinthians 2
September 14	Isaiah 13-14	II Corinthians 3
September 15	Isaiah 15-18	II Corinthians 4
September 16	Isaiah 19-22	II Corinthians 5
September 17	Isaiah 23-25	II Corinthians 6

WEEKDAY CHILDRENS MINISTRY

Doreen Melton	<i>Exec. Director</i>
Chasity Reid	<i>Director</i>

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UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

- SEPTEMBER 3** - David Wilson, Jana Little, Alexis Smith, Ashlyn Wadsworth, Madison McFadden, Mason McFadden
- SEPTEMBER 5** - Mike Baker, Reaca Goodson, Trisha Ann Noles, Makenzie Barrett
- SEPTEMBER 6** - Jeremy Buice, Nick Faulkenbury, Chad Spence
- SEPTEMBER 7** - Caroline Elizabeth Pendleton
- SEPTEMBER 8** - Jerry Payseur, Jerome Bartusch, Nicholas Glenn Gunter, Morgan Silver, Addison Marriott
- SEPTEMBER 9** - Joanna Hovis
- SEPTEMBER 10** - Gary Hoffman, Bobby Conner, Allen Caldwell, Brett Noles
- SEPTEMBER 11** - Harry Burdick, Jesse Leigh Whisenant, Katelyn Hallman
- SEPTEMBER 12** - Crystal Campos
- SEPTEMBER 13** - Bryce Carey, Tyler Chapman
- SEPTEMBER 14** - Elizabeth Belvin, Sawyer Greene
- SEPTEMBER 15** - Jo Ann Pressley, Michael Schultz, Penny Ford, Jackie Chapman, Laura Keener, Stacy Gilbert, Jordan Ballentine

WEEKLY VOLUNTEERS ~ SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

DEACON OF THE WEEK: James Carter
SURVEILLANCE & SECURITY: Harry Brogden
NURSING HOME: Steve & Sara Miller, Jason Cranford

Greeters ~ September 7 & 14

Cardin, Bill/Linda	(1)
Ballard, Melissa	(2)
Linker, Tom/Sylvia	(3)
Watson, Jim/Teresa	(4)

Greeters ~ September 21 & 28

Dobbins, David/Harriet	(1)
Turner, S./Stark, S.	(2)
Spangler, Jane	(3)
Miller, Steve/Sara	(4)

Ministry Opportunity



We are in **URGENT** need of many volunteers to help with our nursery/children's program on Sunday mornings at the following times.

8:30 am 9:30 am 10:30 am

Call or text Alisha @ (828) 461-0872 if you can help.

What a wonderful way to serve!