



# STEEPLE VIEWS

First Baptist Church • Monroe • North Carolina

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## BBQ Deadline

**Wednesday, October, 14 is the deadline for reserving plates/cartons for the October 21 BBQ**

### Cost:

\$7.00 for age 12-adults

\$3.00 for age 11 and under

Plate includes: BBQ, baked beans, slaw, potato chips, cake

Carton of BBQ is \$5.00

To reserve your BBQ, call or email the church office, or click on the link recently sent via email to make reservations directly to our website

If you are a shut-in and would like to have a BBQ plate or carton, let the church office know and it will be delivered to you

## Address Change ...

Audrey Bales is now in an assisted living facility in Wingate. We know she would appreciate cards from her church family. Audrey's new address is as follows:

Audrey Bales  
Avendelle Assisted Living  
111 Maye Street  
Wingate NC 28174

## Highlights in this Issue

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## Thank You

A heart-felt thank you to those who recently contributed to the Food Roundup for the NC Baptist Children's Homes. Your donations will be a blessing to the staff and children!

LET'S SHOW UM SOME LOVE!

# Monroe Middle Staff Appreciation

**Requested Items**

- Bottles of water
- Individually wrapped or bagged Donuts
- Candy Bars (115 full size)
- Boxes of gloves



## Youth Mini Golf Outing

Pictured above are some of our youth playing mini golf this past Sunday in Indian Trail!

## Church Calendar

### Sunday October 11

11:00 am Livestreaming of Worship Service

### Monday, October 12

7:00 pm Faith in Fiction Book Club - FLC

### Tuesday, October 13

6:30 pm Board of Trustees

### Wednesday, October 14

12:00 pm Joy-Agape Class Bible Study - FLC

5:30 pm Children's Bible Study via Zoom

6:30 pm Spiritual Formation:

"Anxiety During Covid-19" - FLC

"Study of Psalms" - Sanctuary

"Chrismons" - Room 309



## Quilting Retreat

Friday & Saturday, October 9 & 10

9:30 a.m. - Family Life Center

If you enjoy sewing, you are invited to join the Sew Faithful Ministry Team's Retreat  
Contact Kiki Myers for more information

## Facts & Figures:

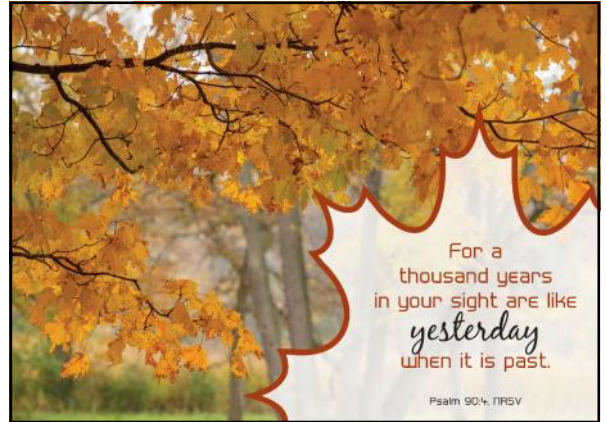
Sunday, October 4, 2020

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|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Weekly Budget Requirements ..... | \$ 7,856  |
| Budget Receipts .....            | \$ 5,017  |
| Budget Receipts to Date .....    | \$ 24,055 |
| Expenses to Date .....           | \$ 25,635 |

## Livestreaming Worship

October 11 at 11:00 a.m.

|                                      |                |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| Opening Music                        | Beth Adams     |
| Words of Welcome                     | Dr. Dawson     |
| Call to Worship                      | Ed Varney      |
| Reflection through Music             | Beth Adams     |
| Scripture Reading: Philippians 4:1-9 | Rev. Owens     |
| Sharing Our Story                    |                |
| Prayer for the People                | Logan Williams |
| Lord's Prayer                        |                |
| Special Music                        | Beth Adams     |
| Sermon Text: Matthew 22:1-14         | Dr. Dawson     |
| Words of Encouragement               | Dr. Dawson     |
| Prayer                               | Dr. Dawson     |
| The Stewardship of Tithing           | Dr. Dawson     |
| Benediction                          | Dr. Dawson     |



## Prayer Concerns

Katherine Cox - Ken Murray - Joy Shute - Al Kessel  
Sam Sain - Cathy Thompson  
Ellen McGinnis in the death of her daughter, Lisa Dixon  
Audrey Bales in the death of her brother, Edward Dodd  
Luan Cox Ingram  
Connell O'Neill, son of Tex and Eleanor O'Neill  
Anne Ashcraft, daughter of Doris Ramsey  
Kevin Casner, son of Ray and Gerry Casner



## Steeple Views

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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| Web-site .....                                   | www.fbcmonroenc.com        |
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**Vision Statement:** "First Baptist Church Monroe exists to Love God, Love Within, and Love Beyond"

# BOARD REPORTS

## Board of Trustees

The Trustees held their first meeting of the year (in person, distancing, and masks) on September 8, 2020. new Trustees, Nathan Hopper and Annette Kilby were welcomed to the Board. Barbara Austin, Clerk, and Michelle Dawson, Treasurer, were also welcomed.

Financials were presented for the past year and it was noted that contributions were at 86% of budget compared to last year at 87%. However, our receipts for August were disappointing as shown in the recent Steeple Views. We discussed the need to remind members that expenses continue even though we are experiencing unforeseen issues brought on by the virus and our being unable to meet for regular services. We encourage all members to continue to support the church and the staff and programs our budget attempts to fund.

Repairs have been made to the problem with basement water problems. Hopefully, the improvements to the pumps and drainage will solve some of the recent problems with water. Thanks to those who coordinated this much needed work.

We had discussions, but did not make any decisions, on issues which will need further discussion later. Those being parking lot repair, steeple shingles, and other minor property concerns.

We, Trustees, encourage anyone with a Trustee Responsibility issue to speak to any member of our Board. Thank you for your continued support of First Baptist, Monroe.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gene Herrell

## Board of Missions

The Missions Board is collecting items to make goodie bags for the faculty of Monroe Middle School. Items requested are: full-size candy bars, bottles of water, individually packaged donuts, and boxes of disposable gloves. Please drop off items by October 19<sup>th</sup>. On Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup> (after a delicious BBQ supper) we will pack the bags and they will be delivered to MMS on October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

We are also exploring the possibility of a mission trip to the gulf coast to do hurricane relief. If you are interested, please contact Josh Owens, Ruby Coffey, or call the church off

Our backpack ministry to Rock Rest Elementary School is in full swing. We are currently delivering 78 bags to the school every two weeks. Volunteers are needed to pack the food bags and also to deliver them. Please contact Debby McBride or Ruby Coffey if you are willing to help.

During this difficult time we know that there are families who are struggling to make ends meet and food on the table. In one of our "Overcoming Anxiety During COVID 19" studies, someone mentioned how local agencies like Crisis Assistance Ministries and Loaves and Fishes are probably stretched to their limits and asked if the BOM might be able to help. At our September 30<sup>th</sup> meeting, we agreed to send \$250 to both of these organizations.

If you know of a need in our community that aligns with our vision/mission statement to "Love God, Love Within, and Love Beyond" please reach out to one of the board members (Ruby Coffey, Tim McBride, Debby McBride, Crystal Brantley, or Jacob Austin).

So blessed to serve alongside you,  
Ruby Coffey

## Book Club

Faith in Fiction Book Club meets Monday, October 12 at 7:00 pm in the Family Life Center  
Members will review William Kent Krueger's book, *This Tender Land*

You can also participate by Zoom at

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81100331033?pwd=TXY4UU1pRVg2ZjNwY3Rld2wzLOZadz09>

Meeting ID: 811 0033 1033 Passcode: 1234

One tap mobile is - +16468769923,,81100331033#,,,,,O#,,1234#

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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81100331033?pwd=TXY4UU1pRVg2ZjNwY3Rld2wzLOZadz09>

## Zoom Info for Wednesday Spiritual Formation Classes

If you cannot join us on Wednesday evenings for the Spiritual Formation classes, you can join us via Zoom. For Bob Duncan's study on the Psalms, join the meeting at:

<https://wingate.zoom.us/j/97490412878> - Meeting ID: 974 9041 2878

Phone Line Call In: +19294362866,,97490412878# US

For the RightNow Media presentation led by Pastor Chris (Overcoming Anxiety During COVID-19), you can join by computer or mobile app at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84402591572?pwd=TTVOeVZEdE13UONQYkNdlNzdkw3UT09>

Meeting ID: 844 0259 1572 - Passcode: 1234

Or call in by phone: 646-876-9923 - Meeting ID: 844 0259 1572 - Passcode 1234