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First Baptist Church Newsletter

Oct. 25, 2023

A Matter of Perspective

Snoopy the dog is sitting by the side of the road, watching all of the kids going by. Snoopy is reflecting to himself. He says, "I wonder why it is that some were born people, and others were born dogs. It isn't fair. And then in the last cartoon frame he concludes, "Why was I the lucky one?" ("Peanuts")

Scripture declares that "...we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago" (Eph. 2:10). Even on their best days, some Christians find it hard to see themselves as the Creator's astounding masterpieces.

Life is a matter of perspective. Envyng other people is a complete waste of time. With careful reflection we can discern all the benefits and blessings of our lives. Who knows? Eventually we might even ask the same question: "Why was I the lucky one?"

Our lives took a happy direction when we moved to Bluffton. We are so blessed to be here. The lucky ones, for sure.

Together with you,

Les



I FOLLOW JESUS

The first step as a follower of Jesus is to be baptized. We will have the baptistry filled and ready to go for our worship service on Sunday, Nov. 12. Please talk to Pastor Les if you are interested or have any questions.

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

The Annual Business Meeting will be on Sunday, November 5 right after the worship service. We will approve officers and board members and also approve the budget for 2024.

World Mission Offering (WMO)

This Sunday is the last day we will collect our WMO. We will designate our offering to go to the Goods for their work in Hungary.

Teachers for Sunday October 29

Kids' Time
Ruth Ann Monroe
Chris McFarren

LOL
Darcy Isch



Pastor Les will be on vacation starting Tuesday, October 24 and will return to the office Tuesday, October 31. If you need pastoral care during that time, please contact a deacon. We will be honored to have Dr. Gene Bell bring the message on Sunday, October 29. The church office will be open regular hours, except it will be closed on Thursday, October 26.

Stewardship

Oct. 15, 2023

Oct. 22, 2023

General Budget	\$1,540.00	General Budget	\$2,210.00
Building Maintenance	\$95.00	Building Maintenance	\$40.00
Missions	\$135.00	World Mission Offering	\$600.00
World Mission Offering	\$625.00		
Deacons Fund	\$52.00	Total	\$2,850.00
Total	2,447.00		

2nd Jessica Bynum
 4th Ruth Ann Monroe
 11th Gunnar Heller
 20th Holly Zoll
 23rd Jan Jones
 27th Celia Kiefer



November 2023

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

			1 Adventure Kids & Youth Bible Study 6:00 p.m.	2 Men's Bible Study 8:00 a.m. Christian Ed. Meeting 6:30 p.m.	3	4 12 9 6 Fall Back
5 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING	6	7	8 Adventure Kids & Youth Bible Study 6:00 p.m.	9 Men's Bible Study 8:00 a.m.	10	11
12	13	14	15 Ad. Kids & Youth Study 6:00 p.m. Deacon Meeting 6:30 p.m.	16 Men's Bible Study 8:00 a.m.	17	18
19	20 Trustee Meeting 5:00 p.m.	21	22	23 THANKSGIVING Day	24	25
26 Church Decorations	27	28	29 Adventure Kids & Youth Bible Study 6:00 p.m.	30 Men's Bible Study 8:00 a.m.		

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Sunday

Adult Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Worship Service 10:15 a.m.

Kids' Time 10:10 a.m.

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