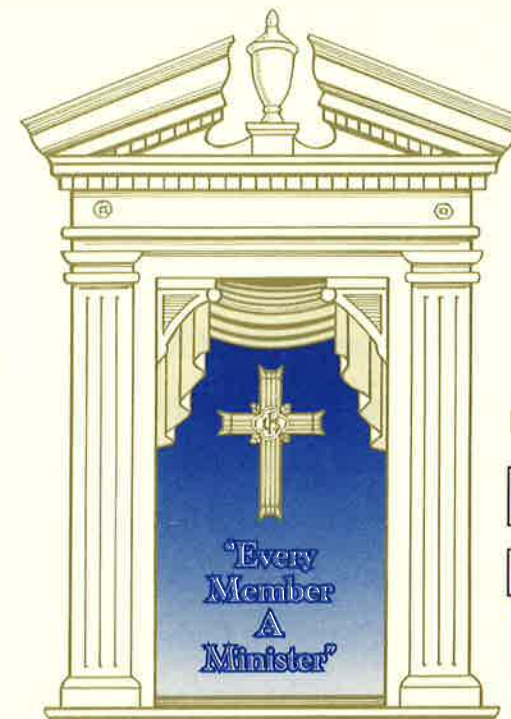


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COMING UP



WORSHIP WITH US THIS SUNDAY!

January 7 10:55 AM In the Sanctuary
We will observe Holy Communion



Sermon: "The Revelator"
(Matthew 28: 16-20)
Dr. Tom Bland, Jr., preaching

Chancel Choir Anthem:
"Now the Silence, Then the Glory"
by Carl F. Schalk

Children's Sermon by Rev. Tyler Roach followed by "Celebrate Good News" Children's Church with Rev. Fred Schuszler and Ms. Ivey Oates in Kaleidoscope.

♦Sunday, January 7
8:30 AM-Deacon's Meeting
9:45 AM -Sunday School
10:55 AM -Worship Service

♦ Tuesday, January 9
11:30 AM- GMC-God's
Maturing Children-Fellowship
Hall

♦Wednesday, January 10
5:20 PM- Serving Line Opens
6:00 PM- Celebrations and Prayer
Time
6:15 PM-Epiphany Worship
Experience followed by fellowship
7:00 PM- Chancel Choir

♦Thursday, January 11
6:30 PM-Chancel Ringers

♦ Friday, January 12
9:45 AM -Women's Prayer
Group- K101

GMC (GOD'S MATURING CHILDREN)
TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2018
11:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. FBC FELLOWSHIP HALL
GMC RINGS IN THE NEW YEAR 2018!!



DEVOTION BY REV. JOSEPH HOLLAND

THEN WE'LL PLAY BINGO
Lots of fun and lots of prizes



**Meal: Soup Bar, Grilled Ham and Cheese Sandwich,
Special Desserts, and Beverages Cost: \$6.00**
Please make reservations with Suzette (437-2544 Ext. 18)
by 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 7

**Remember the hungry with nonperishable items
for the FBC food chest**



CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT RESUMES!

Join us for our annual
Church Family Night EPIPHANY WORSHIP EXPERIENCE
Wednesday, January 10 At 6:15 PM In the Chapel
We will hear Biblical messages of hope and sing songs of joy in celebration of the Epiphany theme of Christ's coming to be a "light to the nations." After our "sparkler recessional" we will warm up with special refreshments in the Kistler Home hallway.



WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Malea Elisabeth Massey

We welcome Malea into our church family. She comes to us professing Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior, as a candidate for baptism. This decision came after much discussion, consideration, and prayer. Malea is the daughter of Mike Massey, the granddaughter of Donna and Eddie Massey.

Until going to college she was involved in our youth ministry, was a multi-year worker in Vacation Bible School, and a regular assistant in "Celebrate Good News! Children's Church. Malea is in the middle of her freshman year at East Carolina University, majoring in Health Service Management. She is athletic, playing soccer, scuba diving, and climbing. Malea likes traveling and has a special interest in medical work.

Welcome, Malea!

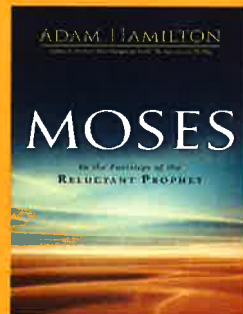
SPECIAL YOUTH (Grades 6-12) STUDY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL!

STARTING THIS SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2018!

An interesting, video-based course on MOSES!

Guest Teacher: Mr. Alan LeCroy

You will learn so much about this great Biblical figure who grew up in the court of the Pharaoh and then answered God's call to lead God's people to freedom! Don't miss a Sunday!



Invite your friends to join you for this special study and win great prizes! Prizes each Sunday, plus whoever brings the most friends during the month will win the grand prize of a \$15. gift certificate to Chik Filet! Second place is \$10 gift certificate to Subway!



GLOBAL MISSIONS OFFERING

Church Goal: \$14,000.00

Received to Date: \$19,620.00

We will receive donations to this offering through January.



EXTRAVAGANT GENEROSITY UPDATE

Offering Received 12/17, 12/24, and 12/31.....\$98,647
Budget Required for 2017\$854,862
Budget Received to Date.....\$885,536
Organ /AV Fund Donations to Date.....\$191,230

Thanks to all of you who gave so generously in Jesus' name during December! We surpassed our 2017 Budget Goal by over \$30,000!

YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday, January 7
9:45 AM-Info and Prayer Time
10:00 AM-Bible Study-Special
Combined Study on Moses!

FAMILY NIGHT MENU

Wednesday, January 10
Chicken Marsala/Confetti Rice/Green
Beans/Yeast Rolls/Beverage
OR
All You Can Eat Salad Bar with Baked
Potato/Rolls /Beverage
(You must RSVP for this option)
Kid's Meal—Chicken Fingers/Fries/
Green Beans/Roll /Beverage
Serving Team—Merle Martin

BACKPACK MINISTRY

Items for January
Mountain View and
George Hildebrand Elementary
Canned Spam and Canned Beef Stew

Packing dates at Grace Episcopal
January 11 3:30 PM
January 25 5:30 PM

IN MEMORY

Gifts have been given in memory of
**Jeremy Burleson, Barbara
Lambert, Jerry Mull, and
Katherine Wilson.**

IN HONOR

Gifts have been given in honor of
**Rebecca Myrick-Poteat,
Benjamin Succop** and in honor of
the Agape Sunday School Class
Teachers: **Lottie Beasley, Betty
Ann Elmore, Sandy Hawn, Betty
Henderson, Jody Hill, and
Merle Martin.**

THANK YOU

Thank you notes have been received
from **Jean Abshire, Teresa and
Barry Benton, Louise and George
Greene, Norma and Richard
Randall, and Mary Simpson.**

IN MEMORIAM

Katherine P. Wilson
December 23, 2017

DEACON OF THE WEEK

January 7
Bill Lennon

THANKS TO ALL WHO MADE OUR CHURCH SO BEAUTIFUL DURING THE ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SEASON

We are deeply grateful to all the individuals, and Sunday School and committee members who sacrificially gave time and talent, effort and expertise, during this busy time of the year. You made our facilities so warm and inviting, while dramatically emphasizing-through symbolic artistry-the Nativity message of God's love.

The Sanctuary The Church Flower Committee under the leadership of Kathy Mace with Doug Mace, Ann Hammond, Betty Hammond, and Donna Massey arranged poinsettias (and kept them watered) in the poinsettia "tree" and around the sanctuary, decorated the windows and Advent wreath, and made sure the "greenery" and wreaths were put in the correct places.

The Chrismon Tree The Chrismon Committee, led by Rhonda Ensley decorated the tree and made numerous Chrismons. Members were: Pat Bland, Mardee Black, Frances Dale, Susan Dale and Nancy Whalley. Jerry Buchanan, Tyler Roach, and David Smith placed the tree in the stand and Nancy and Steve Bailey put lights on the tree.

The Kistler Home and Fellowship Hall- Betty Day was the designer/ coordinator for the magical transformation of the Kistler House and Fellowship Hall. This year she chose a golden theme in recognition of our Golden Anniversary celebration of being here at 502 West Union Street. Helpers included many members of her Koinonia Class: Doris Bentley, Jeanetta and Robbie Collins, Reba and Ken Gibson, Audrey and Tom Hall, Joseph Holland and Ann Riggan, and Wendell Shelton. Church members Betty Hamrick and Bradley Williams. Rev. Tyler Roach and youth helpers Jessica Dale and Michael Dale and Patrick Lowdermilk. Staff members: Jerry Buchanan, Novah Wall Cash, TomLineberger, Suzette Pendleton, and Cathy Rudicill.