OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Once again, it is time to collect items for Operation Christmas Child. Boxes are available in the Fellowship Hall with instructions. Please take note of items that are **NOT** to be included. Place the label on the outside of the box and wrap box with a rubber band. Boxes should be returned to the fellowship hall by Wednesday, November 13th. We need everyone to participate. Together we can make a difference in the lives of children around the world by putting a smile on their faces and a good feeling in our hearts knowing we took the time to share with them the love of Jesus. Monetary donations are also being accepted. Please contact Barbara Epley at 336-249-1331 for more information.

COMMUNITY BLOCK PARTY

Mark your calendars to attend this Community Block Party on October 27th from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. This event is sponsored by First Baptist, First Presbyterian, First United Methodist and Boy Scout Crew 200 (FUMC). There will be games and prizes, hot dogs for the kids and music. Wear a costume and bring a non-perishable canned food item (canned meats, canned pasta, canned beans, corn or potatoes) for Pastor's Pantry. Event will take place in the parking lots behind First Presbyterian and First United Methodist on State Street.

FALL FESTIVAL

Bring your children to our annual Fall Festival on Wednesday, October 30th. There will be lots of fun activities for the children. **We need candy for this event.** Please drop off your candy donation to the church office or place it in the bin provided in the elevator lobby.

HOLY LAND 2021

We are going back to the Holy Land in 2021! Dates are February 25 - March 7, 2021. This is a life-changing trip, a transformational spiritual journey. Please let Ray know if you are interested in receiving more information.

Steeple Talk

Faith Fellowship Mission

SUNDAYS IN OCTOBER

October 6th - "World Communion Day"

October 13th - "Celebrating the Baptisms of Emma

Jolly, Cate Pyle and Cameron Maddox

October 20th - "Come, Let Us Reason Together"

October 27th - "Reformation Sunday"

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP

October 2nd - Covered Dish

October 16th - Rochella Baker SS class providing meal

October 23rd - Covered Dish October 30th - Fall Festival

We are still in need of a Sunday School class to provide a hot dog supper for the Fall Festival.

FALL BIBLE STUDY

"Sabbatical Serendipity"

Monday Evenings
September 30th thru November 11th - 7 p.m.

Tuesday Mornings
October 15th thru November 19th - 10:30 a.m.

First Baptist Church, West Third Avenue Fellowship Hall

MARTHA BEST CHILDRENS CENTER FUNDRAISER

Welcome Fall! The Children's Center is so excited about the cooler weather approaching! We are planning a fundraiser to help replenish our scholarship fund. Any services or donations would be greatly appreciated. The event will take place November 13, 2019. More information to come. The children and staff thank you for your continued support and prayers for our program.

MEMORIALS

General Fund: Jack Hege and Estelle Dillahunt by Bob & Ann Cole; Jack Hege by Ralph & Louetta Beam; Kathryn Frye, Evelyn Kepley, Don Lanning, Betsy Riggs, Dot Walser, Rod Penry, Sara Lineberger, Sara Vick, Hope Kennon, Joanne Potts, Sarah Snell, Michael Blackwelder, Mildred Thacker Ingram, Kenneth "Durango" McKinnish, Jack Hege, and Estelle Dillahunt by Anonymous Donor

Building/Grounds Fund: Estelle Dillahunt by Hal & Donna Routh

Benevolent Fund: *Kenneth "Durango" McKinnish* by James Lippard, J. Felix Goodrum, Second Reformed UCC Burhardt SS class, Marylyn "Booty" Hilton, Vinnon & Gloria Williams, Robert & Martha Adams, Dave Colescott, and Suzy Conner inspired by Harold Bowen

Chrismon Fund: Estelle Dillahunt by Betty Sink, Becky Kirkendall, Marylyn "Booty" Hilton, and Jerry & Patricia Laws

Endowment Fund: Jack Hege, Kenneth "Durango" McKinnish, Estelle Dillahunt by Peggy Barnhardt; Jack Hege, Joanne Potts, Kenneth "Durango" McKinnish, Sarah Vick, Michael Blackwelder, Evelyn Kepley, Estelle Dillahunt by David & Julia Dunn

Undesignated Memorials: *Jack Hege* by George & Patricia Perryman, Helen Mize, Linda Mize, Beverly Gordon, and Eric & Patricia Lilly.

BUDGET UPDATE

Budget Update

As of August

Budget Received: \$48,965.19 Expenses: \$50,911.15 Deficit: \$1,945.96

Year to Date

2019 Projected Budget: \$718,355.00

Budget Received: \$386,261.57 Expenses: \$389,169.31 Deficit: \$2.907.74

These numbers reflect the budget as it stood at the end of August. Our giving is still below our target, but improving. Please remember to keep the church in your heart as you give so we can continue to do the great work of the Lord!

JUNIOR-SENIOR OUTINGS

November 8th - Wohlfahrt Haus: Christmas in the Park, Wytheville, VA Meal & Play \$42.00

December 18th - Meroney Theater in Salisbury to see "Cinderella" Dinner in a local restaurant and play at 7:30 p.m. Play is \$10.00 + your meal.

Contact Sharon Palmer for more information.

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

The Budget Committee has begun the work of crafting the church budget for the coming year. Please keep the following committee members in your prayers as they make the decisions necessary: David Huneycutt, Dale Allred, Jean Ashley, David Dunn, Linda Engstrom, Randy Everhardt, Brenda Houser, Tobin Shepherd, Jim Tate and Dave Thornhill. Their work will continue through the end of the year.

THANK YOU!

Thank you so much for the school supplies for kids in foster care. We were able to take them to an event so foster parents could get what the kids needed. We have the remaining items ready for children that enter foster care. We appreciate you thinking of us and appreciate your support.

Sincerely, Davidson County Foster Care

EXTENDED SESSION		
DATE	BED BABIES	2-4 YEAR OLDS
Oct 6th	Jen Fuller Allen (336) 250-0714 Brooke Williams(336) 956-1821	M/M Dale Lambeth (336)692-2039
Oct 13th	M/M Nathan Houser (336) 956-6148	Brenda Hip Jen Fuller-Allen (336) 250-0714
Oct 20th	M/M Dale Frank (336) 859-5976	M/M Dave Thornhill (336) 249-2115
Oct 27th	Jen Fuller Allen (336) 250-0714 Brooke Williams(336) 956-1821	M/M Bryan Lingerfelt (336) 853-5388
Nov 3rd	Brenda Sprinkle (336) 859-3389 Sarah Hall and Spencer Hall	Margaret Ann Maddox (336) 250-8527 Anna Raye Tate (336) 472-8269

BACKPACK PROGRAM UPDATE

Your outpouring of love and donations during the month of September has been wonderful. Thank you for generous donations of pudding cups, fruit cups, Raman Noodles, protein enriched canned pasta, Pop Tarts, chicken noodle soup and applesauce. We are so pleased with your responses to the challenge raised a few Sundays back to help "feed the kids!" Sadly, we all know that hunger takes no holidays or days off. Your continued support is needed throughout the school year. Our church family cares so deeply for the children at South Lexington and South Lexington Developmental Center as evidenced by your generosity.

With gratitude,

Julia Dunn-BackPack Liaison

FBC FRIENDS

FBC Friends is a weekly email that previews the Sunday morning service. If you are not receiving this email, please share your email address with us. For those who do not use email, we will share the FBC Friends message on the Information Line.

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AND THE CANDY!



HELP NEEDED!

Grace Episcopal Church is restarting its' Sunday lunch program for the homeless. Anyone who would like to help in the kitchen preparing meals, should know that the month of October will be for training anyone interested in the Ministry. They start at 9:30, and anyone can show up between 9:30 and 12 PM to work. We will continue to send volunteers to serve lunch in the months of January and July.

CONTACT US!

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Beryl Phillips (Newsletter): bhphillips1960@gmail.com, (336) 245-1261

(Information Deadline is the 23rd of each month)



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