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...to glorify God by making disciples who:
intentionally devote themselves to their own spiritual growth,
joyfully celebrate knowing Christ through corporate worship,
faithfully connect with others for fellowship and accountability, **actively participate** in the ministry of the church and **purposely invest** their own time and resources in order to reach and disciple others in obedience to the great Commission.

Morning Bible Study

(For All Ages)

9 AM

Sunday Worship

10 AM

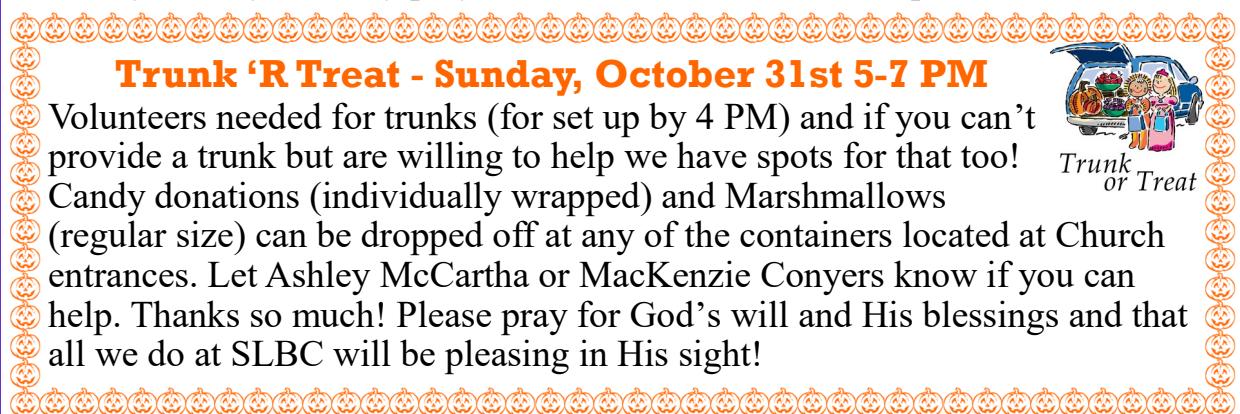
Evening Family

Ministry 6-7:30 PM

Everyone Welcome!



We are blessed to have Pastor Butch and Pastor Scottie and their family with us at SLBC! We would like to “honor” our Pastors and let them know how very much they are appreciated. We will have a “Pastors’ Appreciation” Sunday, October 17th. A table will be set-up for cards and monetary donations (made payable to Pastor Butch and Pastor Scottie). A fellowship social will be held that evening beginning at 6 PM. It is Biblical to recognize and honor godly ministers who faithfully serve the flock of God. Paul wrote to the church at Thessalonica: “Now we ask you brothers to respect those who work hard among you, who are over you in the Lord and admonish you. Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work...” (I Thess. 5:12-13-a). Thank you for your daily prayers for them and all leadership at SLBC!



Trunk 'R Treat - Sunday, October 31st 5-7 PM



Volunteers needed for trunks (for set up by 4 PM) and if you can't provide a trunk but are willing to help we have spots for that too! Candy donations (individually wrapped) and Marshmallows (regular size) can be dropped off at any of the containers located at Church entrances. Let Ashley McCartha or MacKenzie Conyers know if you can help. Thanks so much! Please pray for God's will and His blessings and that all we do at SLBC will be pleasing in His sight!



Brandy Redd will be on a mission trip Nov.12-23 with the VIMM—Volunteers In Medical Missions. If you would like to donate towards her trip, make Checks payable to VIMM designating for “Brandy Redd” and give directly to her or mail to VIMM, 265 S Cove Rd, Seneca SC 29672 or on-line debit/credit card <http://www.vimm.org/donate>. Use the “donate” button to make a trip payment by Oct.15th listing “Brandy Redd” as team member. Contributions are tax deductible and a receipt will be mailed to you. Your prayers for Brandy & this Christian medical team is greatly appreciated!



God's beautiful handiwork of Fall colors. Thank You, Lord for Your many blessings!



Pick up a shoebox and start filling now to share God's love and Christmas joy for a precious child overseas. Such a simple gift but one that will make an eternal difference in a child's life! Shipping cost \$9 per box payable to SLBC. Shoebox Deadline and Dedication Date: November 21st.



Stewardship is not just about raising funds, it's about raising Christians. Stewardship is not a matter of budgets, it's a matter of faith. Please keep this in mind as we begin our 2022 budget process. Ministry Leaders, please pray about specific needs to relay to your respective Deacon. Budget forms will be distributed to you by Oct.3rd to be returned to Deacons by Oct.17th. Pray for a spirit of unity for everyone involved.



A Word From Pastor Butch...Greetings in the name of Jesus!

I trust that this newsletter finds you all doing well. Over the last few weeks we've had a number of folks, especially school age youth, out with the Corona virus. The good news is those, that we were aware of, were back this past Sunday and doing well. I want to thank all of those from our church body who gave the time to spend in prayer for their brothers and sisters in Christ.

It is obvious that Covid-19 is not going away quickly. The **really good news** is that **God is not going away at all**. He is still on the throne and still hears and answers the prayers of His children. We live in a difficult time that I believe could easily overcome us without the courage that God gives His children to persevere and continue to live with Christian Hope. That courage and hope is best found and held on to through continual prayer and communion with God. Let us know if you are affected by Covid. We will pray for you and have others pray for you just as we did with those previously dealing with the virus.

We are delighted to share with you a new opportunity. A few weeks ago, we started a new Sunday Morning Bible study. It is different from any previous study I have ever been involved with. The class is for families. Families come together to the same class. Currently we are looking at the Gospel of John, which is the beginning place to study the Bible. In the class we look at the scriptures and discuss them in a way that can be understood by all including the children. Also, each family or student receives five short scripture studies for the week that deal with that week's study. These studies are designed to be used in family devotionals throughout the week. It's a great way to begin a family devotional time. You are invited to come and join us. I believe it could be a great blessing for your family.

God Bless you, We love all of you! Butch



A Word From Pastor Scottie... Hey ya'll! I am so encouraged by what the Lord is doing in the life of the church. It is a great reminder that God is in control. We have started a new Bible Study class on Sunday mornings for families. Children are invited to come into the class with their parents as we study through the Gospel of John. We provide devotional material for families to use as family worship at home throughout the week. I hope you will come join us.

As a church, we are experiencing a renewed focus on prayer. A Christian without prayer is like a mechanic with no tools...we won't be very effective in our gospel work without prayer. We have begun meeting Tuesday mornings at 9 AM for a time of prayer as we seek to be in God's will in all we do. I invite you to join us then if you can. On that note, I would ask that you pray for my wife, Brandy. Some years ago the Lord laid a burden on her heart for missions work. She took her first mission trip in 2011 and has gone on many trips since. This November she will go on another trip. I can't disclose where she will be going, as I don't want to put the team in harm's way. But I do ask that you will pray for her and this trip, that the team will be prepared as they look forward to the trip, that she will raise the required funds to go, that the Lord will use her and the rest of the team to share the gospel of Jesus Christ with the nations, and that the whole team would be safe in their travels and in their work. Thank you so much in advance for your prayers for Brandy and the team. With love in Christ, Scottie



With our deepest sympathy and Christian love to these families and friends in the loss of their loved ones: George R. Newton; Vermell Odom & Justin Lee Woods. *If I should go tomorrow it would never be good-bye; for I have left my heart with you, so don't you ever cry. The love that's deep within me, shall reach you from the stars, you'll feel it from the heavens and it will help to heal the scars.*



Food Pantry: Can Veggies; Small Bags Rice

Prisoner Packets: 4-6 oz. bars of Soap

Pick up a bag in hallway listing all items needed if you want to make up your own packets.

Thanks! Jean Felts & WMU/WOM Ladies.



Sr. Adults meet Thursday, Oct. 28th at 11:30 AM.

Bring sides, desserts, drinks for a "Pot Luck" lunch to go along with Fried Chicken provided.

All are Welcome! Ya'll come! Walter Brown, Min. Leader.

Note: Kids' Christmas in West Virginia. Contact Marion Steele if you would like to provide a \$25 gift for a child. Deadline is December 5th. Gifts to be delivered December 10-12. Thank You!



Tithing is a Matter of the Heart Matthew 6:21 says "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." When we are able to give 10% or more of our income, it shows that our heart isn't tied to our money and that we love God more than our money. The Bible mentions money over 800 times and of all of Jesus' parables, more than half of them talked about money. Why? Because that is where so many people get tripped up! When we are able to give at least 10% of our income back to God, our money doesn't have as tight of a hold on us because we realize that God is in control of our finances. We remember that everything we have has been given to us by Him. Even though most of us probably work for the money we make each month, God even has his hand there - He has given us the ability to do our jobs. Many who grasp what God has truly given them seem to agree that 10% doesn't even feel like enough! *Jerry Frick-Finance*



Good, better, best; never let it rest till your good is better and your better is best.



2021

Sunday Schedule

- Morning Bible Study
9:00 AM
- Morning Worship
10:00 AM
- Family Ministry-
Youth/Parents
Children In Action
Missions Friends
6:00 - 7:30 PM

Wednesday Schedule

- 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Food Pantry
- 11:00 PM Praise Team Practice

On-Going Activities

Deacon's Meeting Sunday- Oct.24th	4:00 PM
Weekly Tuesday Prayer Time (All Welcome!)	9:00 AM
Weekly Tuesday Disc. Bible Study	10:00 AM
2nd Thursday W.O.M./W.M.U. Meeting Oct. 14th	10:00 AM
Pastors' Appreciation Sunday- October 17th-Social	6:00 PM
Sr. Adults Monthly Meeting, Thurs. Oct.28th	11:30 AM
Trunk 'R Treat Sunday, Oct. 31st	5:00 - 7:00 PM

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 Chuck Hatfield	2 Donna Dahlgren Jack McCartha
3 Megan Lybrand Budget Sheets to Ministry Leaders	4 Jessie Morin	5 Neil Bustle Lindsay Reinbert	6	7 Sunshine Epps	8 Ashleigh Battles	9 Walter Brown
10 Theda Elkins	11 	12 Jerry Ferguson Judy Jones	13 Mallory Crapps Julie Stratakos 	14 W.O.M./W.M.U. Ministry 10 AM	15 Medicare Enrollment Begins-Ends Dec. 7th	16 Taylor Larned
17 Glenn Chavis Marjorie Couch Pastors' Appreciation Budget Sheets back to Deacons	18 Craig Stricklin 	19	20 Misty Aguilar	21 Holly Esterline III	22	23
24 Budget Sheets to Finance Deacon's Meeting 4 PM	25	26	27	28 Torin Asbill Alex Frierson Sr. Adults Lunch Meeting 11:30 AM	29 Michelle Ard	30
31 Fall Fest. 5-7 Danny Hunter Jr. Michele Woodmansee	5th Sunday Lord's Supper & Offering Bldg. Debt Loan					

SC State Fair October 13-24

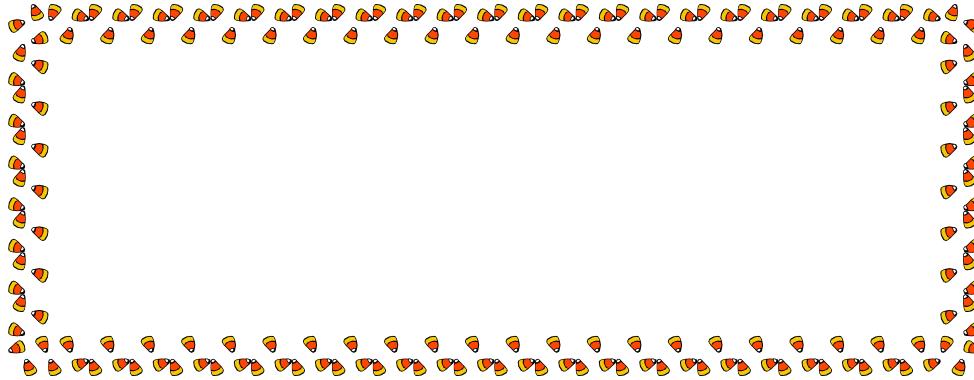


Members, Let us know if we have missed yours or a family member's birthday this year. Help us keep our records up-to-date, please call the Church Office at 957-8285. Thank You!

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As of Sept. 26th For The Record...

	Receipts (39 Wks.)	YTD	\$223,657
	Expenditures	YTD	\$254,925
	Requirement	YTD	\$298,399



Don't forget! Use your numbered offering envelopes. They help ensure accurate posting. Sign-up, E-mail or drop by if you need a box. Your support is most appreciated!

LIFE LESSONS: Happy Moments, Praise God; Difficult Moments, Seek God; Quiet Moments, Worship God; Painful Moments, Trust God; Every Moment, Thank God. God puts us all in each other's lives to impact one another in some way. Look for GOOD in others. The best and most beautiful things cannot be seen or touched-they must be felt with the heart. May God give you...for every storm a rainbow, for every tear a smile, for every care a promise, and a blessing in each trial. For every problem life sends a faithful friend to share, for every sign a sweet song, and an answer for each prayer. Angels just for you! ^j^ ^j^ ^j^



The Beauty of Growing Old-“How beautifully leaves grow old,” wrote 19th-century essayist John Burroughs. “How full of light and color are their last days.” Society doesn’t think highly of old age. Beauty products tout the supposed virtues of maintaining a youthful appearance. Older adults’ wisdom, born of much life experience, is often disparaged, ignored or not sought. But God says this about the righteous, whose lives are rooted in Him: “In old age they still produce fruit; they are always green and full of sap, showing that the LORD is up-right”. (Psalm 92:14-15)NRSV). The aging leaves of Autumn can prompt us to look for beauty in the seniors among us, to notice the “light and color” that still abound. From all the fruit they produce by their service, prayer, and love, may we learn to live faithfully until our own “last days.”