



SLBC Purpose

...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

*On Facebook

Everyone Welcome!



May 14th



"Godly Women Are A Treasure Beyond Measure."

Mothers attending will receive a special recognition gift.

No Family Ministry or PM services-spend time with your Mom!!

May 7th

The first Sunday in May is the day we set aside to give special recognition and thanks to our Sr. Adults for their Faith, Love, Leadership, and Godly Legacy. A meal will be provided following Worship for Seniors prepared by Pat Crapps but please sign-up for food count prep. Seniors please know you are so appreciated, respected, and much loved! Please pray for all our "Seniors On the Go" at SLBC.



Thursday

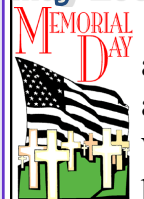
May 4th



The first Thursday in May has been named the "National Day of Prayer" since it was founded and signed by President Truman in 1952. What an awesome privilege we have to pray at anytime of day-24/7! "Pray without ceasing" I Thess 5:17 especially on a day set aside to pray for our Country, leaders, the lost and each other. The Lord is good, a refuge in times of trouble. Give God the praise and glory for this wonderful, awesome privilege of prayer.

Monday

May 29th



Originally known as "Decoration Day" for the tradition of decorating soldiers' graves with poppies was established following the Civil War (an unprecedented conflict in the U.S. claiming more lives than any other war in the US). It became an official federal holiday in 1971 and renamed Memorial Day. To honor and remember those who died while serving in our country's Armed Forces, wreaths, flags, etc. are placed on graves. Memorial Day is also known as the "unofficial" beginning of Summer season vacations. No PM Family Ministry May 28th.



VBS-Volunteers still needed! Please Signup-table in back of large Worship Center. VBS-June 25-29 6-8 PM and Kick-Off Saturday, June 24th 6 PM. Contact Ashley McCartha at (260-0846) if you have any questions. Children are our greatest asset...Invest in their Future! VBS worker/volunteer brief meeting on Sunday, June 4th at 5 PM (No meal). We will go over VBS material and get sizes for VBS shirts. Come be a part of helping Children learn that "Following Jesus Changes the Game" Psalm 25:4.



Graduate Recognition-Sunday, May 21st-Congratulations to our Graduates, Toby Redd (Gilbert) and Hailey Williamson (SC Connections Academy). God's blessings in your future endeavors! Jer. 29:11.





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

Already the school year is winding down and the Summer is just around the corner. Looking back at my life I have realized just how much the seasons affect our mindsets and the way we live. Summer has always been a time, at least for me, when I would get a little “laid back” and lose focus. I think all of the years spent trying to focus through the school year and then be “set free” for a few months.

I’m afraid, we as children of God, often lose our focus upon God during the summer months. We try to cram so much into a few months so that we get the most out of our “summer freedom”. Remember, it is so important that we never lose our focus on God, because He is the only one that can make a real difference in our lives. He is the only one that can win the victories for us that are most important to us. I am reminded in Psalm 100:3, “*Know that the Lord, He is God! It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.*” Take time to read this entire Psalm, it has just 5 verses, but it is full of truth for those who are children of God.

God Bless you, *Butch*

NOTE: *Pastor Butch is finishing up the Wednesday Bible study in Revelation and will begin in a new Book soon. Come out and feed your soul as we delve deeper into God’s True and Infallible Word taught only as Pastor Butch can; the blessings you will receive will be immeasurable.*



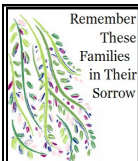
A Word From Pastor Scottie... May is here! It’s hard to believe it, but we are almost half way through the year already. The month of May causes me to think about 2 things-my Grandma Jackie (that’s what we called her) and Memorial Day. My grandma was born May 30, 1933; she would have been 90 years old this year. Memorial Day, of course, brings to mind all who have given their lives in service to our country to ensure the freedoms we enjoy. The month of May helps me to REMEMBER my grandma and those who have sacrificed for my freedoms. As believers, we are instructed to REMEMBER Jesus. Paul wrote to his protégé Timothy, in **2 Timothy 2:8** “*Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached*

in my gospel...”. As much as I loved my grandma, and as thankful as I am for those who have given their lives to protect my freedoms, I am all the more thankful for my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who gave His life so I could live forever. Remember Jesus Christ! If you don’t know him, you can. I’d love to talk to you about how. In Christ’s love, *Scottie*



The Bible & Money/Wealth

It often surprises Christians when they discover how much the Bible talks about money. In fact, there are more than 2300 verses about money, wealth, and possessions. Jesus spoke of money in approx. 15% of his preaching and in 11 of the 39 parables. It was His topic that was most talked about. This includes topics such as wealth, possessions, greed, monetary mindset, satisfaction, investment, and more. The Bible is full of advice and instructions on how to manage our finances and, ultimately, how we can honor God with our money. The Bible talks about money because God loves you and doesn’t want money and possessions to hurt you, but instead He wants you to use them as tools to bless your family and others, and to finance the advancement of His kingdom. If this much attention was given to money in the Word of God, then it must have been important to Him or very important on how it is used. *Mr. Jerry-Finance,*



Christian Sympathy to the families and friends of: W.B. Adkins; Alfred Chalmers; Sylvia Mishoe; Kristy Taylor. Weep but briefly for your loved one has entered into God’s Kingdom, for they shall possess a joy and peace never known on earth. Rather, rejoice in their everlasting and total happiness, for their eyes have seen God and are being led throughout Heaven by Jesus!

PRAISE & THANK YOU SLBC for exceeding our \$1,200 goal-\$1,417 RTD for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering! Also, for the (48) health kits you generously provided! Jean Felts, WOM.



Sr. Adult’s last meeting before Summer break will be on Thursday, May 25th for a Taco Bar. Bring fixin’s & desserts to go with these. Monthly fellowship resumes on Sept. 28th. Hope you have a great Summer! *Walter Brown*



5th Sunday (April 30th) Lord’s Supper and Special Offering for our Bldg. Debt Loan. Pray & give as God leads.

Deacons Meeting



Sunday, **May 21st** at 4:45 PM. No monthly meetings during the Summer (June-August).

Collecting Hygiene/Toiletry items during May. Thank you for your faithfulness in supplying our Food Pantry. *WMU/WOM*



Interested in learning about our mission trip to W. Virginia July 15-21, come to our meeting on Sunday, June 11th at 4:30 PM. Marion Steele, Missions Min. Leader, can answer any questions you may have.

Mom, I see now that it was love that made you come whenever I’d call, your inexhaustible love. Mom, I thank you for it all. Mothers are God’s very sweet gift to us. There is no way we can ever really *thank* our mother for all she does for us; nevertheless, we must make it a habit to keep reminding ourselves of all of the sacrifices she has made for us. Mother’s Day is a great time to say in words (cards) and in (accompanying her to Church) of how much you love your Mom. We say thank you and wish a Happy Mother’s Day to all our Mothers on Sunday, May 14, 2023.

Life is not measured by the breaths we take but by the moments that take our breath away.



Sunday Schedule

Morning Bible Study
9:00 AM
Morning Worship
10:00 AM

Sunday Evening






Family Ministry
6:00 - 7:30 PM
Choir Practice
(2nd & 4th)-5-6 PM

Wednesday Schedule

Food Pantry 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Supper 5:45 PM - 6:25 PM
Wednesday Evening Bible Study 6:30 PM
Agape Stitches 3rd Wed. Meeting w/Lunch-May 17th 10:00 AM

On-Going Activities

Weekly Tuesday Prayer Time (All Welcome!) 9:00-9:30 AM
Deacon's Meeting-4:45 PM May 21st WOM Meeting - 5 PM
Sr.'s Monthly Lunch Fellowship -Thurs May 25th 11:30 AM

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
30 5th Sunday Lord's Supper & Special Offering Bldg Debt Loan	1	2 Joe Larned	3	4 Gary Elliott Kelsey Willis 	5 Nathan Davis	6 Aaron Raley
7 	8 Savannah Bustle Renee Goff	9 Treina Risher	10 Pat Otto	11 Sharon Bailey Kimber Murray	12 Anna Richburg	13 Marion Steele
14  No PM Activities	15 Diane Conyers Nunnie Zeigler	16 Daniel Long Dawnte Robinson	17 Agape Stitches Monthly Meeting and Lunch 10 AM	18	19	20 Cathy Kyzer Madison Schumacher 
21 Graduate Recognition Deacons Meet 4:45 PM WOM- 5 PM	22 Butch Powell	23 Toby Redd	24 Adam Bundren Christine Golda Luke Long	25 Carol Martin Sr. Adults 11:30 AM Taco Bar	26 Don Miller Ryan Rentz	27
28 Elaine Cato Susan Howell No PM Activities	29 MEMORIAL DAY  .. Pause ...and Remember	30 Elizabeth Boykin Jamey Harlin	31 Charlie McCurdy Doug Wooten			

Never Look down on someone unless you're helping them up! Truth doesn't hurt unless it ought to!

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As of April 23rd (17 Weeks)...

Receipts	YTD	\$124,867
Expenditures	YTD	\$110,941
Budget Requirement	YTD	\$119,482
Designated	YTD	\$ 35,006



**Budget
 Update**

Please use numbered, personalized offering envelopes.
 They help ensure accurate posting. Sign-up, E-mail us or
 drop by during office hours to pick up a box. You don't
 have to be a member to receive personalized envelopes!
 Your financial as well as prayer support are appreciated!



Why did God make mothers? (Answers given by elementary school age children)
 1. She's the only one who knows where the scotch tape is 2. Mostly to clean the house. 3. To help us out of there when we were getting born. **How did God make mothers?** 1. He used dirt, just like for the rest of us. 2. Magic plus super powers and a lot of stirring. 3. God made my Mom just the same like he made me. He just used bigger parts. **What ingredients are mothers made of?** 1. God makes mothers out of clouds and angel hair and everything nice in the world and one dab of mean. 2. They had to get their start from men's bones. Then they mostly use string. **Why did God give you your mother and not some other Mom?** 1. We're related. 2. God knew she likes me a lot more than other people's moms like me. **What kind of little girl was your Mom?** 1. My Mom has always been my Mom and none of that other stuff. 2. I don't know because I wasn't there, but my guess would be pretty bossy. 3. They say she used to be nice. **If you could change one thing about your Mom, what would it be?** 1. She has this weird thing about me keeping my room clean. I'd get rid of that. 2. I'd make my Mom smarter. Then she would know it was my sister who did it and not me. 3. I would like for her to get rid of those invisible eyes on her back.