

9am Wednesday
Meet at the
Community
Garden!
Come
grow
together!

Memorial
Remembrance
Worship Service
11 am October 27

REMEMBRANCE
SUNDAY

Please email or call the office to add your
loved one to the list by October 16.

**CANTON FIRST BAPTIST
CHOIR & ORCHESTRA**
PRESENTS 5PM DECEMBER 15
SILENT NIGHT

JOIN THE CHOIR
REHEARSE 7PM WEDNESDAYS

Youth Study on giving faithful answers to life's hard questions

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Wednesdays @ 6pm
With Food and Fellowship

Mission Trips Friends Bonfire Summer Camp
Tubing Fun Retrocade Hiking
Studies **Youth** activities
Local Service Projects Youth Lock In
And More! See Kevin for Details!

1 CORINTHIANS

Bible Study
Wednesday 6pm
with Dr. Court Greene

We need You!
**DECORATE A
DOOR**
for the
Fall Festival
Families, Groups,
Classes, Individuals
WHOO will it be?

**Feed the Bears
Ministry!**

3:30pm October 10 JV Football
3:30pm Nov 8 Varsity
To Volunteer see Kevin!

**FREE CONCERT
FOR CHILDREN
& FAMILIES**

The Songs & Stories of
**BRENT
VERNON**
SINGER-SONGWRITER • VENTRILOQUIST
AUTHOR • ILLUSTRATOR

WITH A SPECIAL
APPEARANCE BY **Sam**

5PM SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 20
MEADOWBROOK
ELEMENTARY

MEET AT 4:20PM
TO RIDE THE BUS.

**FAMILY
FALL FESTIVAL**

Fun for the whole family!

CANTON
FIRST BAPTIST
CHURCH

At Canton First Baptist
6 pm to 7:00 pm
Wednesday, October 30, 2018

**FIRST
KIDZ**

Every Sunday First Kidz:
9:45 am Sunday School
11 am Children's Worship
5:00 pm First Kidz

KIDZ GRADES K4 TO 5TH
STAY AFTER WORSHIP FOR
LUNCH & ACTIVITIES
WITH KEVIN & LISA!

PUBLISHING INFORMATION & DEADLINES: Submit information
in writing or by email to cantonfirst@gmail.com by the 15th. Announce-
ments by Monday at 10am. Call 648-2367 for more information. To
receive by email: write "subscribe" to cfbcwitness@gmail.com.

Canton First Baptist Church
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74 Academy Street
Canton NC 28716

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CHURCH?**

Sunday Mornings
we have a bus route near you and
would love for you to join us!

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Sunday School: 9:45am
Worship with Children's Church: 11:00 am
First Kidz: Monthly lunch & activity and 5pm Fellowship & Study
Wednesday: Youth Fellowship & Study

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11 am Worship
Lunch after Worship

HOME COMING 2019

Greetings Canton-First Families,
Fall is now officially upon us. This summer was an excellent example of stewardship on display. We were able to work together and engage our community with more of our ministry efforts for less cost than in previous summers. Working with other churches, we reached new communities through VBS and joined together to worship in the park. We were also able to minister in the summer festivals and engage our immediate neighbors through the block party, and three Wednesday night gatherings with very little cost or effort. We also doubled our food distribution, which cost the church nothing, adding a distribution site in Waynesville. This in addition to youth and college mission trips and other activities made for a busy, but efficient summer of ministry. Thank you to all of our volunteers, a church is only truly a church when it comes together to serve the kingdom of God, and your efforts allowed us to be a church to our community this summer. But a new season is upon us, and it is full of ministry potential as well.

The first big event this autumn will be homecoming. October 6th we will celebrate our heritage with music and testimonies from you! If you would like time to share, please call me at the office and let me know. Also, as always, look forward to an excellent time of food and fellowship following the service. Another exciting ministry opportunity to look forward to on Homecoming Sunday, is our bus ministry. We plan to begin running small routes on October 6th to bring people to church. If you know of someone who would come but needs a ride, then by all means, let us know. If you would be willing to drive or navigate, then please, let us know that as well.

Another exciting event coming this month is our Fall Festival, and this year big changes are in the works! Instead of renting the armory, we are going to host the event at our campus. This brings people into our building, allowing us to welcome them in person and minister to them onsite. We still need volunteers to decorate doors, to dress up (not required but heavily encouraged) and be stationed behind doors in the church's main hallway to give candy to trick-or-treaters, and of course to bring candy or work the kitchen. Look for orange boxes around the church into which to put candy, and please let us know in the office if you will help with this event. I am very excited about what the fall promises us. It is my favorite season of the year, and not just because the leaves are pretty. It is also a time for God to remind us of how the world changes, and in doing so, assures us that through those changes, God remains constantly with us. I hope you look forward to these and other exciting moments in the life of our church family, and please, don't keep your excitement to yourself!



Dr. Court Greene

MISSIONS & MINISTRY COMING UP

Homecoming Sunday, October 6: Invite guests, family, former attenders and neighbors to Homecoming Worship and Covered Dish Lunch. Bring covered dishes: casseroles, vegetables, salads, meats, and desserts to share. The church will provide drinks and bread.

Community Children's Christmas Ministry: Pray for this ministry which has been a vital outreach ministry of Canton First Baptist for over 8 decades. The CCC Ministry team is already at work preparing for this ministry as it takes months of preparation and coordination. We work with the schools and social workers to identify children and families who would best benefit from this ministry. The parents are then contacted and given an invitation and then they complete forms and return them to assist us with the preparations. We need you to Volunteer to help sort, setup, cleanup, lead crafts, serve supper, and have fun with our guests. You are the living representation of Christ that many of them will see. Please pray about participating in whatever way you can. Your smile, hug, and encouragement may be the best gift they receive this Christmas. Another way you can help is to serve as a Host to a child and their family on the day of the event Sunday, December 1. You will greet them when they arrive at 4pm, show them around, take them to the crafts area, host them for supper and talk with their families and help them to have a few moments with a special guest, then take them to the sanctuary for the program at 6pm, continue to shadow them as they sing carols and hear the Christmas story, receive gifts, sharing the love of Jesus with them and their family as they enjoy fun, and fellowship. You get to make a connection with that child and family. This year we are planning for 60 children yet there are *always* more who need us. *We can only provide gifts for the children that are registered.* We will have treat bags for all children and siblings. If you know of a family in need, contact the church office by November 5 with contact information so that we can see if they are eligible. Give to sponsor a child for \$30 to help with gifts and expenses of this ministry. Financial gifts of any size are welcome. Please write on your envelope Community Children's Christmas Ministry. We can always use unopened Lego sets, Barbie Dolls, or other children's items you may have laying around. For more information contact the church office, Lisa Ledford or Pam Floyd.

WOMEN
on a *Mission*
Jean Teague Ladies Circle
Meets the first Tuesday at 10am
Contact Nancy Mann 828.648.6056
Irene Berry Smith Ladies Circle
Meets the second Monday at 7pm
Contact Gail Bradburn at 828.508.2200

PLEASE JOIN US

MEN'S PRAYER MEETING
BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY
7AM 1ST TUESDAY CLYDE'S RESTAURANT
3RD TUESDAY BOJANGLES CANTON

DRUGS IN OUR MIDST PRAYER WALK
2pm SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29
Meet at corner of S Main & Academy in Waynesville, NC

FALL FESTIVAL
CANDY COLLECTION IN VESTIBULE AND HALLWAY
CANDY WALK
Volunteer for this Community Outreach
CANTON CANDY WALK 9:45 AM OCTOBER 31

We are praying for and extend Christian love and sympathy to the families of: Barbara Arrington, Audrey Hill, Kristi Penland, Billy Sawyer, and Nancy Landers Trull,

Stewardship Emphasis: October:

Weekly & Regular Events & Activities - Everyone Welcome!

Sunday School: All ages meet at 9:45am each Sunday for Bible Study
Sunday Morning Worship: Everyone begins together, then children go to Children's Church
First Kidz: Sundays at 5pm Fellowship & Study - Monthly lunch & activity.
Wednesday Bible Study: 6pm in Fellowship Hall - First Corinthians
Youth Study & Fellowship Wednesday at 6pm: All 6-12 grade students are invited.
Sanctuary Choir: Rehearses each Wednesday at 7:00 pm. All voices welcome.
Men's Breakfast: Men are invited to Breakfast Bible Study & Prayer at 7am the 1st Tuesday of each month at Clyde's Restaurant and the 3rd Tuesday of each month at Bojangles.
Ladies Mission Groups: All ladies are invited to join the mission group that best fits their schedule. Jean Teague Group meets the first Tuesday morning of each month at 10 am. Irene Berry Smith Group meets the second Monday of each month at 7pm.
Small Group Studies: Ladies No Other Gods Study: 6pm Tuesdays Mann Classroom
Ministry Team Leaders: Please get reservations & event details to office as soon as possible.

Upcoming Events & Activities Calendar (Tentative - Schedule may change)

Sept 29		Fifth Sunday Food Drive
Sept 29	2:00	Drugs In Our Midst Walk in Waynesville
Sept 30		Budget Requests due into office
Oct 1	7:00	Men's Breakfast Bible Study at Clyde's
Oct 1	10:00	Jean Teague Ladies Missions Circle in Fellowship Hall
Oct 1	6:00	Ladies Bible Study in Mann Classroom - No Other Gods
Oct 3	4:00	Community Kitchen Ministry
Oct 6		Homecoming & Dinner on the Grounds
Oct 8	6:00	Ladies Bible Study in Mann Classroom - No Other Gods
Oct 10	3:30	Feed the JV Bears - Fellowship Hall
Oct 13	12:00	First Kidz Lunch & Corn Maze
Oct 14	7:00	Irene Berry Smith Ladies Mission Circle
Oct 15	7:00	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study at Bojangles
	6:00	Ladies Bible Study in Mann Classroom - No Other Gods
Oct 20	5:00	Brent Vernon Concert at Meadowbrook - Meet at 4:20 to ride van
Oct 22	6:00	Ladies Bible Study in Mann Classroom - No Other Gods
Oct 27	11:00	Memorial Remembrance Sunday - Call by 16th to include your loved one.
Oct 29	6:00	Men's Night Out @ Haywood Smoke House Meet at 5:40 to ride van
	6:00	Ladies Bible Study in Mann Classroom - No Other Gods
Oct 30	6:00	Fall Festival at Canton First Baptist Church (5:00 Workers, 5:30 Supper)
Oct 31	9:00	Canton Candy Walk Ministry & Outreach
Nov 5	7:00	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study at Clyde's
	10:00	Jean Teague Ladies Mission Circle
	6:00	Ladies Bible Study in Mann Classroom - No Other Gods
Nov 7	4:00	Community Kitchen Ministry
Nov 8	3:30	Feed The Varsity Bears Ministry & Devotion
Nov 10	11:00	Veterans Recognition in Worship
Nov 11	7:00	Irene Berry Smith Ladies Mission Circle
Nov 15		Chopping Day for Community Children's Christmas Ministry
Nov 20	6:00	Thanksgiving Feast
	7:00	Wrapping Party for Community Children's Christmas Ministry
Nov 24		Community Thanksgiving Service
Nov 28		Happy Thanksgiving
Dec 1	11:00	Hanging of the Green
	4:00	Community Children's Christmas Party
Dec 5	4:00	Canton Christmas Parade Outreach Ministry
	4:00	Canton Community Kitchen Ministry
Dec 8	9:00	Christmas Breakfast & Combined Adult Sunday School
Dec 11	6:00	Christmas Banquet
Dec 15	6:00	Christmas Cantata and Reception
Dec 22	12:00	First Kidz Happy Birthday Jesus Party
Dec 24	8:00	Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion
Dec 29		Fifth Sunday Food Drive

Deacon of the Week

Sept 29: Jimmy Burke	Oct 6: Lynn Pressley	Oct 13: Ernie Stines	Oct 20: Barbara Wright
Oct 27: Carole Edwards	Nov 3: Billie Conard	Nov 10: Gail Bradburn	Nov 17: Tony Reid
Nov 24: Danny McDowell	Dec 1: Pat Stewart	Dec 8: Carroll Wright	Dec 15: Jimmy Burke
Dec 22: Lynn Pressley	Dec 29: Ernie Stines	Jan 5: Barbara Wright	Jan 12: Carole Edwards

Women's Bible Study
EXPERIENCE THE DEEPER, MORE ABUNDANT LIFE JESUS CAME TO GIVE YOU.
NO OTHER GODS
by Kelly Minter
8 Sessions
Join Us!

Tuesdays at 6pm in the Mann classroom
Facilitated by Donna Deaver

Guidance for successfully navigating the storms along life's pilgrimage.
PASTORAL COUNSELLING

Dr. Allen Mullinax, Pastoral Counselor
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