

To have a loved one that passed in the last 12 months or so mentioned on Memorial Remembrance Sunday, October 25, 2020

All Saints Day

REMEMBERING THE GIANTS OF THE FAITH
Please call or email by October 16 with the name spelling and picture.

We Shall Remember Them
Memorial Remembrance Sunday
October 25, 2020



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

Dr. Allen Mullinax, Pastoral Counselor
404-697-1012 Accepting New Clients
Meet discreetly at Canton First Baptist Church
Sliding Scale Fee

Support our First Responders partnership with the Baptists of Missions of Haywood County! The meal is catered. Volunteer to: Serve Plates or Drive Plates to stations Or Deliver Plates from stations To First Responders.

Send the Gospel to the ENDS of the EARTH
SamaritansPurse.ca/OCC
Collection Sunday Nov. 1st

FIRST RESPONDERS' APPRECIATION DAY
VOLUNTEER TO HELP Feeding Canton Law Enforcement and First Responders and their families
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2020
11 AM - 6 PM
Thank you for your service!

10:45 am Sunday, October 4, 2020

Homecoming

Invite friends, family, and former members to join us for worship in person or online at "Canton FBC Streaming" YouTube Channel, Facebook Live Stream, or by radio featuring contact-less Lord's Supper, guests, and more.



BECAUSE YOU PACK SHOEBOXES...



EVERY 24 HOURS
30,000 CHILDREN
HEAR THE GOSPEL
THROUGH SHOEBOX
OUTREACH EVENTS

Always REMEMBER THAT YOU ARE CARED FOR, PRAYED FOR, and YOU HAVE FRIENDS THAT WILL ALWAYS STAND BESIDE YOU.



The Witness

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WE ARE HERE FOR *you*

Dear Canton First Family,

October is just around the corner, and I don't know about you, but I am more excited about this year's seasonal change than I have been about any other such event in my lifetime. Change is good right now. We have been forced to find new ways to minister, and experience God together. I hope that we will see these as opportunities to flex the church's creative muscles and reach the world in new ways. That is always challenging, but it is especially difficult to embrace change when those changes confront tradition. Be encouraged.

This year as we celebrate homecoming on October fourth, we will have a choice to make. The world has already changed, and traditions will have to change as well. The choice is simple; will we make our best effort to bring glory to God in the midst of these unforeseen circumstances, or will we rob ourselves and our community of the opportunities that homecoming presents us? I believe the choice is obvious.

We can use this year's homecoming event like any other, to reconnect with those we have not seen in a while, via our virtual services. We can celebrate the work of our church in our community and show the world that we are still relevant and effective agents of change in the world God created. We can do this, and will, together.

From now until October, to make this event successful, we urge you to invite as many as you can to participate. While the virus is still upon us, and social distancing would seem to put a damper on our usual activities, we have an opportunity to involve more participants now than in other years. Because we are more accessible than ever, we can reach people in all sorts of places, even if they live too far away or cannot travel to the church. If you need help learning how to teach others to connect with us, please do not hesitate to ask. We are available on Facebook live, as well as YouTube and the radio, so there are plenty of options available.

For those who will join us in person, the event will include a message from a former minister here and a contact-free communion.

Dr. Court Greene



VOLUNTEER TODAY!
ARE YOU WILLING TO SERVE?

Community Kitchen Ministry Team
Volunteers rotate every 3 or 4 months on the 1st Thursday from 4-6:30 pm: Team prepares, serves & cleans up. See Cathy Walsh or Lorene West

FALL FESTIVAL
CANDY COLLECTION IN VESTIBULE AND HALLWAY



THURSDAYS at 8pm

PRAYER & PRAISE

THE PRAYER OF THE RIGHTEOUS IS POWERFUL AND EFFECTIVE
~ JAMES 5:16 ~

streaming live on FACEBOOK at
CANTON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

WINTER COAT DRIVE *Give A Gift Of Warmth!*

New or Gently Used Items Needed for Kids, Women & Men

WARM COATS from WARM HEARTS
Coats, Hats, Scarves, Gloves/Mittens
Childrens, Adult & XL sizes needed!

New or Like New & Laundered!
Sleeping Bags & Winter Wear

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BRING GOD'S HOUSE TO YOUR HOUSE

WATCH US ONLINE

Go to **Canton First Baptist Church** for Live Streaming. Like & Follow.
Friend us at **Canton First** for events communications and connecting.

Subscribe to our **YouTube Channel** Canton-FBC Streaming



Growing Friends Community Garden
Canton Community Let's Grow Together

Bring Tools & Gloves & Friends to help.

Show up to **VOLUNTEER**
It's harvest time!
25 Penland St
Tuesday 10 am
Thursday 5



WANT TO LEARN MORE

Invitation to Partner with Canton First Baptist Church: We invite you to membership with Canton First Baptist Church. Contact Dr. Court Greene to learn more

Baptism: If you are interested in baptism see Dr. Court Greene.

Deacon of the Week: August 30 Ernie Stines, September: 6 Barbara Wright, 13 Danny McDowell, 20 Pat Stewart, 27 Carroll Wright.


Keep Informed: Send an email to cantonfirst@gmail.com to request Canton First Top News email updates usually sent weekly. Call 648-2367 to request to be added to the Prayer Requests emails, the newsletter by mail or email, phone or other communications. Find us on Facebook, YouTube, and check out our website at www.canton-fbc.org.

Prayer Request? Call 648-2367

Thank You for your help and donations towards Vacation Bible School, the new hearing loop installation, new methods of ministry through expanded video and online live streaming, school supply collection and food distributions. We have had a very busy though different ministry Summer and look forward to new Fall ministry opportunities with you!

T-COIL LOOP FOR ALL MAIN FLOOR SEATING. SEE YOUR ASSISTIVE DEVICE PROVIDER TO HAVE THE T-COIL ENABLED.

HEARING LOOP INSTALLED
Switch hearing device to T-coil mode



Weekly Events & Activities

Sunday	10:45	Pre-Service Music
	11:00	Worship in Sanctuary or on Facebook, YouTube, or WPTL
Monday	11:00	Bulletin, Screens & Witness information updates needed
	3:30	Staff Meeting
Wednesday	6:00	Bible Study with Dr. Court Greene on Zoom
	6:00	Youth Study & Fellowship at the Community Garden
Thursday	8:00	Praise & Prayer Service streaming online

Reservation & Event Information is needed at least 6 weeks in advance to allow us to accurately and fully resource and promote on website, FB, bulletin, announcements, and screens. Please call or email with all of your holiday and fall events as soon as possible. Thank you!
(COVID changes: Sunday School, Small Groups, WMU groups, Children's Ministries, and Senior activities are at this postponed awaiting the lifting of the gathering and group restrictions from Governor Roy Cooper. We would be glad to assist a class, group, or committee that would like to meet or a leader that would be willing to teach on Facebook live or Zoom)

Upcoming Events & Activities

Subject to change- Always check www.canton-fbc.org, FB, and bulletin

Aug 30	11:00	Deacon Affirmation, 5th Sunday Food Drive
Sept 6		Labor Day Holiday
Sept 7		Labor Day Holiday - Office Closed
Sept 9	6:00	Bible Study resumes with Dr. Court Greene on Zoom
Sept 11	11:00	First Responders Appreciation - Volunteer to deliver meals
Sept 21	5:30	Finance Meeting
Oct 4	10:45	Homecoming - Lord's Supper, Guests, & Videos
Oct 25	10:45	Memorial Remembrance Service - Call with names & pics
Oct 31	5:00	Fall Festival (tentative), Fall Back: Set your clock back 1 hour
Nov 1		DST begins
Nov 11		Veterans Day
Nov 15	10:45	Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ingathering & Blessing
Nov 19	10:00	Food & Coat Distribution (tentative)
Nov 26		Thanksgiving Day Holiday - Office Closed
Nov 28	TBA	Sanctuary Decoration Day
Nov 29	10:45	Hanging of the Green, 5th Sunday Food Drive
Dec 6	TBA	Community Children's Christmas Ministry
Dec 13	10:45	Christmas Music
Dec 24	8:00	Christmas Eve In Person and Live Streaming Online

Easy Ways to Give

In-Person Text Mail Online

Offering Plate or In Office Drop Slot CFBC28716 to 73256 followed by gift amount Mail to: 74 Academy St Canton, NC 28716 www.canton-fbc.org/give



We extend Christian love, sympathy, and prayers for the families of: Harbin Heath, Steve Milner, Mike Smathers, Ann Stamey, and Gerald Wiggins.

