

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

Send the Gospel to the **ENDS of the EARTH**  
SamaritansPurse.ca/OCC  
Collection Sunday Nov. 15th

FOR SUCH A *time* AS THIS

6pm Wednesday Bible Study with Dr. Court Greene  
www.zoom.us/j/455573873  
Meeting ID: 455 573 873  
To join by audio only:  
Dial: 1.301.715.8592  
Enter Meeting ID#: 455 573 873

THE BOOK OF *Esther*

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

10:45 am Sunday, October 4, 2020

# Homecoming



Welcome back Dr. Michael Simmons, former pastor. Invite everyone to join us for worship in person or YouTube, Facebook Live Stream, or by radio featuring contact-less Lord's Supper, guests, a homecoming video and more!



## BECAUSE YOU PACK SHOEBOXES...



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

We thank God for:  
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# The Witness

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WE ARE HERE FOR *you*

Dear Canton First Family,

This year has seen some craziness, but that is ok. We were promised a lot of things by a God who delivers on those promises, but we were never promised that life would not change, nor that there would not be surprises. So, life did change. It is important for us, the church family, to learn from the world around us and see the beauty of the changes in our midst. We have opportunities in this changing world to change ourselves, to change the way we reach out to others, and to show the love of God to others in new ways. Speaking of change, this year's homecoming will be October 4th. We will have communion a new, touch-free, way. We will have cups and individually wrapped bread available when you enter the sanctuary, or you can provide your own if you will be joining our worship service from home. We will open the service with communion instead of observing it at the end of the service.

As we gear up for homecoming, something else has changed. Instead of only inviting people to join us in person, I hope you will also make them aware of the many ways we can engage remotely be it radio, Facebook live, or YouTube. Please get the word out to as many as possible no matter how far away the live that they can join us for this special event. You can always come home, even if you never leave your couch.

Thank you for all you do and have done to continue the ministry of the church. I look forward to what you will do next to show the love of God to a world so desperately in need of it.

Your pastor, Dr. Court Greene





# FALL FESTIVAL

CANDY COLLECTION IN VESTIBULE AND HALLWAY

## Deacons for the 2020-2021 Church year are:

**Serving until 2021:** Danny McDowell, Pat Stewart, Carroll Wright

**Serving until 2022:** Jimmy Burke, Lynn Pressley, Ernie Stines, Barbara Wright

**Serving until 2023:** Jeff Conard, Lowell Grogan, Larry Paxton, Mike Pressley, Mike Wood

## 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 & XI 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



## THANK YOU

**Thank You** for your donations and all of the volunteers who gave time and work 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. It has been busy though different ministry Summer and we look forward to new Fall ministry opportunities with you!

**Keep Informed:** Send an email to [cantonfirst@gmail.com](mailto: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 sent to subscribers only, 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](http://www.canton-fbc.org).

**Prayer Request?** Call **648-2367** or [www.canton-fbc.org](http://www.canton-fbc.org)

**Community Garden:** Volunteer by showing up Tuesdays at 10 am and Thursday at 5pm.

**Students: Pray** for our students, teachers, bus drivers, cafeteria and school staff as the students are returning to the classroom.

## 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.

**Growing Friends Community Garden**  
 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**

## Weekly Events & Activities

Sunday	10:45	Pre-Service Music
	11:00	Worship in Sanctuary or on Facebook, YouTube, or WPTL
Monday	2:00	Bulletin, Screens, Event & Reservation Requests needed
	3:30	Staff Meeting
Wednesday	6:00	Bible Study with Dr. Court Greene on Zoom or In-Person
	6:00	Youth Study & Fellowship - See Ray
Thursday	8:00	Praise & Prayer Service streaming Facebook & YouTube

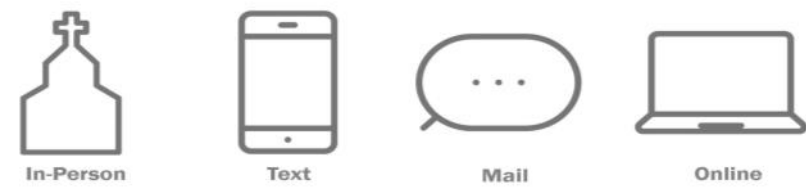
Reservation & Event Information is needed at least 6 weeks in advance to allow us to accurately and fully resource and promote on website, FB, bulletin, announcements, and screens. Please call or email with all of your holiday and fall events as soon as possible. Thank you!

## Upcoming Events & Activities

Subject to change— Always check [www.canton-fbc.org](http://www.canton-fbc.org), FB, and bulletin

Oct 4	10:45	Homecoming - Lord's Supper, Guests, & Videos
Oct 10	1:00	Sanctuary Reserved
Oct 25	10:45	Memorial Remembrance Service
Oct 31	TBA	Fall Festival Children's Ministry
Nov 8	2:00	Wedding Shower for Jarrod & Sarah Conard - FH
Nov 11		Veterans Day
Nov 15	10:45	Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ingathering
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



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](http://www.canton-fbc.org/give)

*We extend Christian love, sympathy, and prayers for the families of: Claudia Hooper Clark, Harbin Heath, Buddy McDowell, Steve Milner, Ralph Singleton, Mike Smathers, Ann Stamey, and Gerald Wiggins,*