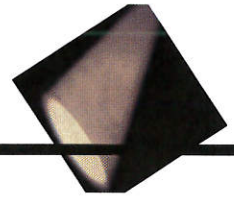


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SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45AM
SUNDAY WORSHIP 11:00AM

WED. BIBLE STUDY 6:30PM
WED. Choir Rehearsal 7:30pm

DEACON OF THE WEEK:

January 6	Mike Kent
January 13	Frank DeLoach, Sr.
January 20	David Johnson
January 27	Gerald Rice

January 21, 2018
6:30PM
Deacon's Meeting

PASTOR'S CORNER

DR. WALLACE MCABEE,
SENIOR PASTOR

Happy New Year!

I know you have heard it many times before but Happy New Year from your pastor and staff! We approach a new year with great anticipation of what the Lord has in store for us. New people to reach and minister to, a new building project, mission trips, children and youth ministry . . . A plate full of wonderful opportunity!

Speaking of our building, watch for details about our plans to upgrade our Kitchen and add much needed space for Sunday School. Anyone participating in our Christmas Diner not only enjoyed incredible food but also witnessed first hand our need for more space. We plan to launch the fund-raising drive in January and will keep you up to date on our progress.

Once we finally have adequate space for our pressing Sunday School needs, you can help us grow.

Teachers, we will meet later in January to put some critical steps into our plan to fill up our new space. Each class and teacher is important to our hope for growth. A growing Sunday School is our church organized and energized about reaching, teaching the Good News and loving each other in the process. We should all support that! The New Year is a grand opportunity to make a new commitment to helping us grow people through our Sunday School Ministry.

May God bless you as we start a new year together in His Son!

Pastor Wallace

"Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done."

1 Chronicles 16:8





WORSHIP EVENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS



happy new year

*January 1 (Tuesday)—
New Year's Day*
Church Office Closed

*January 4 (Friday)-
Coweta County Schools Resume Classes*

January 9 (Wednesday)- All Ministries Resume
10am—AoM Craft Ladies

5:30pm— Wednesday Evening Meal begins with:

6:30pm— Adult Prayer Meeting with Dr. Watson E. Mills, (January 9, 16, 23, 30). He will have a new series for us all this month titled, "The Bible- The best selling and least understood book in the world".... We will look at some facts about this great book and examine some of the study methods that will lead us to a greater understanding of it. We will also focus upon its nature and role in Christianity, and look at some of the ways the Bible has been mis-used over the years.

6:30pm— Youth & Children's Ministries

7:30pm— Adult Choir Rehearsal

*January 10 (Thursday)-
6pm— Olive Branch Meeting*

*January 12 (Saturday)-
10:15am—early afternoon
Ministry opportunity*

Homeless Shelter of Shepherds Inn Atlanta
Check out the sign up sheet in the foyer for details and Frank DeLoach, Sr. is the contact person for this ministry outreach.

*January 17 (Thursday)-
11:30am Senior Lunch
See sign up sheet for details*

*January 20 (Sunday)-
Building Fund Kickoff*

*January 21 (Monday)-
6:30pm Deacon's Meeting*

*January 27 (Sunday)-
Sunday School Lunch-n-Learn
following worship service*

Lite Lunch with reservation for \$6 a person.

Learn about keys to reinvigorating our Sunday School Ministry

*February 9 (Saturday)-
Valentine's Banquet 6pm*

happy new year



Happy New Year

A new year is about to unfold
With new opportunities to explore
Doors will open for new experiences,
New adventures with the Lord

Remember not the former things,
The things of this past year,
The Lord will do new things in us,
Much more than we are aware.

-M.S.Lowndes

Music Notes

Special Gifts

“OK, Jill, that’s 9 points for the triple letter score, giving me a total of 17 points for the word ‘factual.’ That now gives me 229, only 4 points behind you!”

During the winter, Jill and I like to sit in front of the fire, and occasionally we play Scrabble. On this particular night, I was pretty happy to be doing so well at this game. Just 2 tiles left to pick up, and I’m looking for the big finish; I’ve saved my “X” to pull ahead by spelling “FOX” for 15 points. It’s now Jill’s turn to play, and she gives me That Look. . . . Let me stop here and say that being an English teacher for 30 plus years and having a vocabulary far exceeding mine, she is in her element. She slowly, carefully plays the word “KEX.” . . . On my “X”!

“What’s that? It can’t be a word!” I challenge.

Silently, Jill hands me the official dictionary, and I find the definition: *the dry, usually hollow stem or stalk of various plants, especially of large plants belonging to the parsley family.* Jill racks up 55 points, using a triple word score, plus spelling two additional words. Yes, she blew me out of the water. That’s OK. I can beat her easily in chess, horse shoes and ping pong. We both have our strong points, and I’m glad we’re not just alike.

I think about all of the talented people I have met in our church, and I am learning about their special gifts and talents: Jerry Zellner made that Nativity scene that has been in front of our church this season; David Bearden and the guys make delicious barbecue and sauce; Scott and Sandra Mann know so much about technology and make us sound good every Sunday; Janie can whip up the most delicious chocolate pound cake ever; Judy Harris is a tireless worker who makes feeding a large crowd look so easy; and we are fortunate to have dedicated Sunday School teachers for children, youth, and adults. There are so many others who have different abilities that we can use together to make Sharpsburg Baptist a wonderful place of worship and witness. No one person does everything, but each one is special and important.

Who remembers this hymn:

Hear ye the Master’s call, “Give Me thy best! For, be it great or small, That is His test!
Do then the best you can, Not for reward, Not for the praise of man But for the Lord.
Every work for Jesus will be blest, But He asks from everyone His best.
Our talents may be few, These may be small, But unto Him is due Our best, our all!”

Speaking of talents—if you like music—and who doesn’t?-- the choir needs YOU! You don’t have to read music, just be willing to sing with pleasant people an hour each Wednesday evening. I can promise that you will be blessed. Just come to choir practice at 7:30 in the sanctuary. You will be welcomed!

Thank you, God, for making us all different so that we can work for His glory!

Mike

Christmas Carolers



"Outreach involves extending ourselves, our talents, and our resources, to help others."



Adults on Mission

January NEWS

Excitement is in the air for Adults on Mission as we enter 2019, and we would love to include YOU!



At this time, our ministry goals and completion dates reach into the fall of 2019. Concentration now is on pillowcase dresses, crosses, bears, and other small items for the Appalachian Ministry, having every item completed by the end of April. Mr. Bill Barker, who is National Director of the Appalachian Mountain Ministry for the Georgia Baptist Mission Board, will share with our congregation on April 28, 2019, and you will not be disappointed as he brings this ministry to life. We will be sharing much more information about his visit as April approaches. The needs are overwhelming among these people who are so geographically close to us. In fact, some are in Georgia, others in Alabama, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, just to name a few. A small gift such as a pillowcase dress can be a treasure for a child who needs clothing. The dresses shown here can be used for warm weather, just as you see them, or in colder weather, a long sleeve shirt can be worn underneath. And remember, every gift carries scripture as our witness to the recipients. We are told that these small items serve as a conversation starter, a pathway to sharing the gospel.

Adults on Mission Craft Group is asking you to consider becoming a missionary from within the walls of our church. Help us reach others with the gospel through small items we create. Our watchword for 2019 is a powerful guide and encourager from 1 Corinthians 15:58, which says, "My dear friends, stand firm and don't be shaken. Always keep busy working for the Lord. You know that everything you do for him is worthwhile."

Craft group meets each Wednesday for two hours, from 10:00 a.m. to Noon in the fellowship hall. If you cannot attend each Wednesday, that's okay. Just come when you can. Perhaps participation in AoM will enhance your New Year!

God bless you.

AoM Leadership Team

Denise Jones, Nancy McAbee and Yvonne Pleasant

P.S. Remember, we make our crosses from used cards, so please remember to place your used Christmas Cards/Greeting Cards in the box in front of church office. Thank you in advance!!



SBC Family Happenings



Out to
LUNCH!

THE SENIOR LUNCH CREW

This past month the Senior Lunch Crew had their Annual Christmas party at the Thomas' house. It was a nice time; food was delicious and the gift exchange was fun! It is so wonderful they do this each year! See below pictures from the festivities!

They will begin 2019 with their lunch meet-ups by going to **Concord Café in Concord, GA**

Address: **92 Main Street, Concord, GA**

The date will be Thursday, January 17—11:30am

(Meet at church by 10:30a -OR-

the restaurant by 11:30a)

See you all there!!



WEDNESDAY EVENING MEALS FOR January 2019

Cost: \$6/pp OR \$15/family

(12yo and under are free)

1-2-19

NO MEAL TONIGHT

1-9-19

Vegetable Soup, Cornbread & Dessert

1-16-19

Baked Chicken Breast, Rice with Gravy, English Peas, Rolls & Dessert

1-23-19

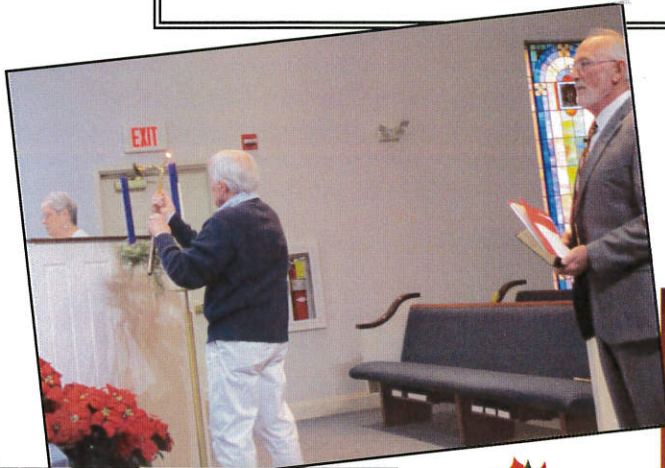
Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls & Dessert

1-30-19

Baked Potato Bar and fixings, Chili & Dessert



SBC Family Happenings



Our Advent Season was a blessed time from the moving messages each week to our Christmas Dinner & Cantata and the commissioning & prayer over Andy & Gail Cook as they go out to serve at their new church. God has richly blessed us!

ADVENT POEM
ADVENT, ADVENT,
A LIGHT IS SENT.
FIRST ONE, THEN TWO,
THEN THREE, THEN FOUR,
THEN STANDS THE
CHRIST CHILD AT THE DOOR.



January 2019						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 NEW YEAR'S DAY  Church Office Closed	2 AoM Crafts 10am	3	4 School Resumes	5
6	7	8	9 AoM Crafts 10am All Ministries Resume tonight Dr. Mills Adult Bible Study series begins tonight	10 Olive Branch 6pm	11	12
13	14	15	16 AoM Crafts 10am Dr. Mills leading Adult Bible Study	17 Senior Lunch 11:30am	18	19
20 Building Fund Kickoff	21 Martin Luther King Deacon's Meeting 6:30pm	22	23 AoM Crafts 10am Dr. Mills leading Adult Bible Study	24	25	26
27 Sunday School Workers Lunch-n-Learn following worship	28	29	30 AoM Crafts 10am Dr. Mills leading Adult Bible Study	31		

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

1-1 Carla Tolleson
 1-2 Derek Ansley
 Jake Berg
 Misha Hammock
 1-3 Gerald Rice
 Kevin Buck Berg
 Matt West
 1-6 Dan Pritchett
 1-7 Chris Key
 1-8 Norma Moody
 Andrew Parten
 Beth West

1-12 Justin McAbee
 1-13 Michael Couch
 Jacqeline Pailer
 1-14 Sandra Mann
 1-16 Sharon Hardy
 1-17 Heather McElwaney
 1-18 Tracey Hightower
 Madison Hightower
 1-19 Joyce Seale
 1-20 Royce Camp
 Bud Herring

1-21 Bailey Black
 1-23 Kristen Baughan
 1-24 Jodie Couch
 Lou Pailer
 Teresa Puckett
 Teresa Stafford
 1-28 Anne Jamison
 Karen Tinsley
 1-29 Brian Downie
 1-30 Howard Orr

