

Opportunities For Next Week

Sunday, September 5

7:30 AM - Java & Juice (Church Parlor)
 8:45 AM - Contemporary Worship
 9:50 AM - Sunday School
 11 AM - Traditional Worship

Monday, September 6

LWM & Church Office Closed for Labor Day holiday.

Tuesday, September 7

8 PM - Al-Anon (Activity House)
 8 PM - AA (Activity House)

Wednesday, September 8

5 PM - Children's Choirs
 5:30 PM - Wednesday Night Dinner
 6 PM - Student Journey
 6:15 PM - Prayer Meeting/Mission Friends/Children's Mission Group
 7 PM - Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 7PM - Contemporary Worship Rehearsal

Thursday, September 9

7 PM - Keyyma: Revelation Bible Study (Lighthouse Classroom)

Saturday, September 11

8:30 AM - Sunday School Appreciation Breakfast

Homebound of the Week

Please remember Melvina Stripes with a card or phone call this week. Her address is 2379 Cypress Circle, Conway, SC 29526. Her phone number is 347-0260.

COMMITTED!

Let's get committed...

- *to make God the center of our lives
- *to apply the timeless word of God to our 21st century lifestyle
- *to discover the relevance of God's Word for our daily lives

Come and join the "committed" group meeting during our Sunday School hour each Sunday in the Church Parlor.

Facilitated by Tommy & Cindy Rowe

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Assignments for Sunday, September 5, 2010

Deacon of the Week: Robbie Watkins

Ushers for Sunday:
 11:00 am: Rand Reeder/Reggie Gosnell
 Keith Hendrick/Charlie Fisher

Audio Service:
 8:45 am: Dean Hudson
 11:00 am: Robin Fowler
 Welcome Center Staff:
 8:30 am:
 Ushers: Willie Sansbury
 Scott/Brandon Thompson
 Terry Hunter
 Robbie Watkins
 Greeters: Gail Sansbury
 Michelle/Nathan Thompson
 Gail Hunter
 Ellen Watkins
 9:30 am: Carl & Helen Records
 Reggie & Cheryl Gosnell
 10:30 am: Bill & Barbara Copeland
 Java Room: Cindy Rowe

Children's Church:
 8:45 am: Stacy Sansbury

Nursery Workers:
 8:45 am:
 Baby Room: Buffy Smith
 Toddler Room: Cathy Barrow

11:00 am:
 Baby Room: Laurinda/Laura Richardson
 Toddler Room: Katie Jones

Assignments for Sunday, September 12, 2010

Deacon of the Week: Scott Thompson

Ushers for Sunday:
 11:00 am: Rand Reeder/Reggie Gosnell
 Keith Hendrick/Charlie Fisher

Audio Service:
 8:45 am: Dean Hudson
 11:00 am: Greg Richardson/Arnold Houston
 Welcome Center Staff:
 8:30 am:
 Ushers: Willie Sansbury
 Scott/Brandon Thompson
 Terry Hunter
 Robbie Watkins
 Greeters: Gail Sansbury
 Michelle/Nathan Thompson
 Gail Hunter
 Ellen Watkins
 9:30 am: LB & Betty Hyman/
 Gene & Nita Sparks
 10:30 am: Stuart & Karen Griffin
 Java Room: Cindy Rowe

Children's Church:
 8:45 am: Stacy Sansbury

Nursery Workers:
 8:45 am:
 Baby Room: Donna Massey
 Toddler Room: Brenda Graham

11:00 am:
 Baby Room: Shane & Becky Hubbard
 Toddler Room: Katie Jones

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Every Member a Minister

Senior Pastor - Bob Guffey
 Pastor Emeritus - Andy Bass
 Min. of Music/Assoc. Pastor - Rocky Taylor
 Associate Minister of
 Contemporary Worship - Tommy Rowe
 Minister of Students - Patrick Jones
 Financial/Office Administrator - Stacy Barfield
 Ministry Assistant - Katie Powell
 B.A.L.L. Club Hostess - Gay Stalvey
 Building/Grounds Supt. - Donovan Ivey
 Building/Grounds Supt. Emeritus - Mike Fitch
 Chair of Deacons - Robbie Watkins
 LWM Director - Betsy Waynick
 LWM Asst. - Elaine Montgomery
 Pastoral Counselor - Fran Brown

Return Service Requested

theOutlook

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Are We a "Missional Church"? Find Out!

Missional Church Weekend with Dr. Bo Prosser,
 Teacher, Coach, Motivator, Humorist



Saturday, September 11 •
 Meeting with the Sunday School Team
 and Church Staff
Sunday, September 12 • Speaking during Worship,
 Meeting with the Deacons

"The next decades will bring killing stress to the church ...
 unless the Christian congregations of North America change."
 -Tom Bandy, Moving Off the Map

The Missional Church movement in North America is helping churches just like ours discern and implement their callings from God to be Christ to the world. In many ways, Conway's First Baptist Church is involved in being a missional church. With the rapidly changing cultural and world contexts we live in, to be effective in ever increasing ways requires paying attention to the changes in the world and how the church should respond. Dr. Bo Prosser will help us line out what this means. You will be blessed and challenged by his work. (More on Bo Prosser in next week's issue.)

"The situation of the Church in North America has shifted radically in the last 50 years. This shift has given birth to the Missional Church movement. Simply, the Missional Church movement leads congregations to ask, 'What is God wanting us to be, become and do to continue the ministry of Christ within our present community and global context?' This is a departure from the old way of doing things, which focused on denominational templates and traditional programming. The unique nature of the answer for every local church is bringing forth new birth for older congregations across America and providing direction for new church starts."

Happy New (Church) Year!

Wednesday, September, 1
 Wednesday Night Dinners & Ministries Begin

THIS Sunday, September 5 •
 Sunday School Promotion Day

Saturday, September 11 • Sunday School Worker Appreciation
 Breakfast and Inspirational Workshop (8:30-11 a.m.)

PastorNotes: Growing a Church That Looks Like Jesus: Worship, Discipleship, Prayer & Service (2 of 4)

Last week I made the claim that becoming a healthy church is much more simple, at least in concept, than we are often led to believe. The clear part is that our calling as a part of the Church invisible—that is, the Church of the Lord Jesus that transcends locale and denomination—is to be the body of Christ called by God to be as Christ to the world. We share that with all Christians.

The tougher part of the assignment is doing the hard work of paying attention to how the Spirit of God is at work in our particular part of the world, reaching people, healing hurts and calling forth others to be disciples. That work must be done together and requires praying, asking tough questions, deciding then putting together the spiritual, human and fiscal resources for ministry, no matter the sacrifice.

In the life of Jesus, the ability to discern the vision and to implement the mission God gave him depended on the priority of worship in his life. In the mystery of the Trinity, the Son bowed to the Father. Jesus honored God and praised God. He set an example for his disciples that worship, both public worship with the congregation and personal worship of prayer and praise with God, was and is the priority for someone who loves God.

In worship, we find our rightful places as the creation before the Creator. In worship, we are called on to leave our sins at the altar and experience newness, forgiveness and salvation. In worship, we recall and replay the sacrifice of Christ through the giving and taking of the Lord's Supper. In worship, we have an opportunity to hear the call of God's Spirit again to what it means to be the sons and daughters of God.

Without worship, practiced with biblical integrity, our lives lose their sense of ultimate meaning, we forget Who we are and we can become ever more frustrated and angry as to why God may or may not be doing what we want in our lives. The self-centered age in which we live increases our individualistic thoughts that somehow worship is about us, our preferences, our desires, our convenience, our tastes in music and decor, and our personal needs to feel better about ourselves. Worship that saves and frees emphasizes we are God's.

In the early Christian churches, worship was something done in praise of the risen Christ. "The focus was on experience and full participation." During the middle ages, worship became something said in memory and in praise of the risen Christ. "The focus was on recitation and enactment by the priest." During the Protestant Reformation, worship became something heard.¹

If we are to be successful in fulfilling our calling as the church of the Lord Jesus, we must become ever more like the Lord Jesus. That will begin with our worship before God in full participation, body, mind and soul, and conclude with our lives given in mission, ministry and servanthood to God's world just as did our Lord. -rwg

"Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it! How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

-Genesis 28:16-17

¹Daniel T. Benedict, Jr. *Patterned by Grace: How Liturgy Shapes Us* (p. 65)

FBC Conway Youth

Students: 9/1 @ 6 p.m.



skenoo (skay -no' -o)

to put up or live in a tent (John 1:14)

Youth Camping/Hiking Retreat October 22-24

Camping at Keowee-Toxaway Natural Area
Hiking at Table Rock State Park
\$10 plus money for travel food

Sign up in Youth Room or with Patrick by October 6.

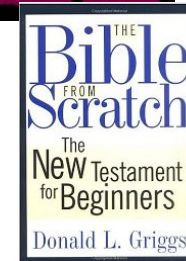
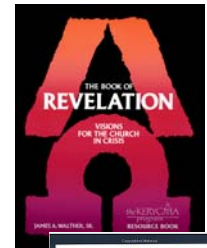


Fall Pastor-led Bible Studies

Beginning Thursday, September 2 • The Book of Revelation: Visions for Churches in Crisis, an 11-week study, 7:00–8:00 p.m. Learn: (1) why Revelation was written, (2) what it has meant to the followers of Jesus through the years, (3) how the same God of mercy, compassion and grace is reflected and honored in its words and (4) the message of Revelation for God's people living today. Book fee: \$20

Beginning Sunday, September 26 • The Bible from Scratch: New Testament, an 8-week Sunday School elective class for adults. 9:50–10:45 a.m.

•Register by calling the church office or email to bob@firstbaptistconway.us



WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS

Welcoming new cooks, April Anderson and Susan Cooke-Githens

MENU - Sept. 8

Spaghetti, Garlic Bread, Salad

Call to RSVP by Monday, September 6 at 3 p.m.

Cost is \$6, (\$4.50 for children 3+)



Opportunities for Ministry and Fellowship

◆Shepherd's Table Gala

The Shepherd's Table will have its annual fundraiser on Tuesday, September 21 from 6-8 p.m. at the SideWheeler (110 2nd Ave, Conway), featuring Rivertown Bistro chef Darren Smith. Tickets can be purchased for \$50 at The Shepherd's Table. Call 488-3663 for more information.

◆More Studies on Revelation: "Here and Now, There and Then"

Join the "Women of Virtue" on Tuesday nights this fall for Beth Moore's newest Bible study, *Here and Now...There and Then!* The new study is a lecture series on the Book of Revelation. Join us as we meet at the Snider House for this exciting study. We'll meet from 6:15 until 8:30 every Tuesday beginning September 7 and ending with a celebration on December 21! \$15 covers your workbook, session materials, scripture CD, handouts, and a few surprises! For more information, please contact Cindy Galloway at 248-8996 or 465-8996 or cpgalloway59@aol.com.

◆Churches Assisting People & Missions Hygiene Kits

CAP is in dire need of food for their supply. Please bring your donations to the Missions Table this Sunday! Also, please remember to hang on to extra soap, shampoo, lotion, etc for upcoming hygiene kit distribution. Items can be dropped at the Missions Table at any time.

◆Children's Missions Day Camp

Children in grades 1-6 are invited to participate in the missions day camp on Saturday, Sept. 11 from 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. at North Conway Baptist Church at 1608 Sessions Street in Conway. The children are asked to bring a food item to be donated to Churches Assisting People. To register, call Betty Fleming at 248-2115 by September 6, 2010.



This life-changing program teaches you to achieve your financial goals by eliminating debt, saving for the future, and giving like never before. You will be challenged and motivated to make a plan for your money and change your family tree forever. *Financial Peace University* (FPU) consists of a 13-week video curriculum that incorporates small-group discussions to encourage accountability and discipleship. *Financial Peace University* is highly entertaining for everyone, with a unique combination of humor, informative financial advice and biblical messages.

New Class Begins Sept. 19 - 4-6 p.m.

(3rd floor administration building (paved parking lot side))

Cost: \$95/couple (childcare provided, please call to let us know you need it) Call 248-4067 if you would like to enroll!

FREE PREVIEW class - Sunday, September 12 @ 4 p.m. or attend the first class for FREE.