



# STEEPLE VIEWS

First Baptist Church • Monroe • North Carolina

Issues 33 & 33 -- August 6, 2025

After 55 years of faithful service, dedication and love, we are thrilled to celebrate the retirement of our beloved

# Kathy Cole

Join us for a drop-in reception (casual!)

Saturday, August 23, 2025 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Family Life Center

Please share this information with any family and past members of First Baptist Church

If you have any questions, please contact Joyce Forbes or Lisa Davis

Join us on SUNDAY, AUGUST 31 AT 9:30 A.M. IN THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER for our final conversation of **THRIVE** 



The Faith in Fiction Book Club members invite you to join them on Thursday, August 28 at 6:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center Author Joy Calloway will meet with the members to review and discuss her book

Sing Me Home to Carolina

#### Memorials ...

By Mr. and Mrs. Joey Forbes, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Herrell and Mr. and Mrs. Ken Handy in memory of Pauline Funderburk.

## Facts & Figures:

Sunday, August 3, 2025

Weekly Budget Requirements	\$ 6,875
Budget Receipts	\$ 6,303
Budget Receipts to Date	\$ 314,852
Expenses to Date	\$ 327 446



Serve

Celebration of

# **ORDINATION**

Sunday, August 31 during Morning Worship for

Ben Potte:



Join the 4th Wednesday Lunch Bunch at AJ's Restaurant (on Old Charlotte Highway) for fellowship and lunch on Wednesday, August 27 at 11:30 a.m.



Dear Friends:

Thank you so very much for the beautiful flo you sent in celebration of our 100th birthdays! Our church family is so dear to us, and we deeply cherish all of the friendships and warm memories we have made together over the last thirty-three years. Certainly we miss the in-person fellowship with you all, but hold you close in heart always. We are happy that we are able to join you for worship services from our home. You continue to bless us with your continuing thoughtfulness and prayers. For that we are eternally grateful. May God bless you all!

Ray and Gerry Casner

### **August Prayer Focus**

#### **Healing - Loving Within & Loving Beyond**

The month of August is considered National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM), which raises awareness about the importance of vaccines and how they can help prevent serious diseases. If you're like me, you're not a big fan of shots; however, when we get immunized, we're taking our responsibility to look out for our own health AND the health of others seriously.

As Christ-followers, Jesus told us the 2nd greatest commandment, after Loving God completely, was loving the stranger, neighbor, and friend as we love ourselves.

To me, that means we, as the FBC Monroe church family, should prioritize and pray for Healing; physically, emotionally, and spiritually, for ourselves, and more importantly, for others.

#### **CHURCH CALENDAR**

Sunday, August 10

9:30 am Bible Fellowship - Room 308

10:30 am Morning Worship - Sanctuary/Facebook

Tuesday, August 12

6:30 pm Board of Deacons - Conference Room

Sunday, August 17

9:30 am Bible Fellowship - Room 308

10:30 am Morning Worship - Sanctuary/Facebook

Thursday, August 21

6:00 pm Faith and Fitness - Courtyard/FLC

#### Reminder!

This is a two-week issue of Steeple Views Please keep this copy for the next two weeks to check for "happenings"



Joe Harris - Frances Vaughan - Dot Bates Martha Melton - Dr. Jimmy Taylor Josh Handy - Ed Varney

Savanah Britt

Elliott Atwood, daughter of friends of Brittany Potter Joel Penegar

Sam Goodwin, father of Sally Goodwin For peace between Ukraine and Russia

For peace to take hold in the Middle East

For doors to open for job seekers affected by recent unemployment

#### Sunday Worship - August 10 10:30 AM

Words of Welcome Dr. Chris Dawson
Call to Worship Dr. Chris Dawson

Gathering Music: "Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God"

Scripture: Isaiah 1: 10-20 Dr. Melanie Williams

Hymn: "I Know Whom I Have Believed"

Scripture: Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16 Crystal Brantley

Sharing Prayer Concerns

Crystal Brantley

A Moment of Prayer

Prayer for the People Crystal Brantley

Lord's Prayer

Hymn: "The Solid Rock"

Greet Stranger, Neighbor and Friend Choral Response: "I Am the Body of Christ" Duet: "No One Ever Cared for Me Like Jesus"

Michelle Dawson & Cindy Williams

Sermon Text: Luke 12: 32-40 Dr. Chris Dawson

Sermon Dr. Chris Dawson
Prayer Dr. Chris Dawson

Hymn: "Trusting Jesus"

Stewardship of Tithing and Fellowship

Sending Song: "Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God"

Closing Voluntary Elaine Potter

### This Week's Committees

**Livestreaming Equipment for Worship:**Carolyn White

Nursery: Brittany Potter

**Ushers:** Ken and Ann Handy, Tim McBride

Lay Leader: Crystal Brantley

Money Counters: Jim Griffin, Harvey Whitle



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Vision Statement: "First Baptist Church Monroe exists to Love God, Love Within, and Love Beyond"