

<b>Wednesday, July 18</b>		
6:00	pm	Summer Simple Supper
6:45	pm	Church Conference
7:30	pm	Choir Practice
<b>Thursday, July 19</b>		
11:00	am	Senior Adult Meeting & Luncheon
<b>Sunday, July 22</b>		
9:00	am	Prayer Time
9-9:45	am	Library Open
9:45	am	Sunday School
10:55	am	Worship Service
3:00	pm	Shower for Jill Wagers & Will Coleman
<b>Monday, July 23</b>		
10-12:00	am	Read, Feed, Succeed
<b>Tuesday, July 24</b>		
10-12:00	am	Read, Feed, Succeed
<b>Wednesday, July 25</b>		
6:00	pm	Summer Simple Supper
7:30	pm	Choir Practice
<b>Sunday, July 29</b>		
9:00	am	Prayer Time
9-9:45	am	Library Open
9:45	am	Sunday School
10:55	am	Worship Service
<b>Monday, July 30</b>		
10-12:00	am	Read, Feed Succeed
10-12:00	am	FBC Staffs Food Pantry
<b>Tuesday, July 31</b>		
10-12:00	am	Read, Feed, Succeed
10-12:00	am	FBC Staffs Food Pantry

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 David Edwards  
 Minister of Education  
 & Youth  
  
  
  
 Missy Hartis  
 Associate  
 Choir Director &  
 Accompanist

<b>UPCOMING EVENTS</b>	
Aug 1	Mission Report
Aug 5	Fuge Report
Aug 8	Prayer Walk @ FBC
Aug 13	Brothers United for Christ
Aug 14	Prayer Walk @ CHS
	Men's Bakeoff
Aug 16	Senior Adult Meeting & Luncheon
Aug 19	Breakfast Club
	Kindergarten Orientation @ 3:00
	Kid's Klub & Youth Kickoff @ 6:00
Aug 20	School Resumes
Aug 22	Regular Wednesday Night Supper
Aug 26	Lake Day

<b>DEACONS OF THE WEEK</b>	
July 15	Donnie Abercrombie - Will Hodge -
July 22	Jamey Abercrombie - Douglas Josey -
July 29	Sam Anderson - Bill Nixon -



July 18	Chicken Salad, Congealed Salad, Fruit, Muffin, Dessert
July 25	Baked Potato Bar, Cantaloupe, Dessert



Did you miss the movie “**I Can Only Imagine**” when it was playing in area theaters? Don’t despair---we now have the DVD in the library! Other DVD’s you may enjoy are: **God is Not Dead**; **God is Not Dead 2**; and **To Kill a Mockingbird**, just to name a few. DVD’s are located on shelves to your right as you enter the library. Come check them out!



*Churchwide Wedding Shower Honoring*

*Jill Wagers & Will Coleman*

*Sunday, July 22*


*From 3:00 - 4:30 pm in the Social Hall*


*Registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond and Belk*



**Men’s Bakeoff**

The Men’s Bakeoff will be Wednesday, August 8th. Men, dust off your favorite recipe and start practicing. Who will win the coveted Green Apron this year? Watch the newsletter for more details.





**Youth Group to Fuge**

Our Youth recently were able to travel to Glo-rieta, New Mexico to attend a week at Fuge camp. Not only did they get to go cross country, but they were able to spend time refreshing and renewing their faith. They will be reporting about their trip on Sunday, August 5 at 6:30 pm. Come and support them as they present their trip in both reporting and in pictures. Homemade ice cream will be served.

<u>Tithes &amp; Offerings</u>	
<u>July 8</u>	
Worship Service	182
Sunday School Attendance	126
Budget Offering Required	8,193.00
Offering Received	9,220.00
Gift	5.00
Security	1,000.00
Mission	500.00
Total	10,725.00

<u>Memorials</u>	
Ashley Foster	Clyde Strange
Juanita Criscione	George Whitesides

<u>July 15</u>	
Worship Service	197
Sunday School Attendance	123
Budget Offering Required	8,193.00
Offering Received	9,133.00
Music Fund	25.00
Food Pantry	50.00
Security	500.00
Building Fund	5.00
Benevolence	50.00
Total	9,763.00


<u>Memorials</u>	
George Whitesides	Jane Murray
Henry Wessinger	Juanita Criscione

<u>Honorariums</u>	
Bucky King	TEL Sunday School Class

**Gifts to the Security Fund**

Several individuals have given to the newly created security fund to help with security improvements around the church property. We thank each one for their generosity. We also thank the Agoga Class for their generous gift to Security Fund.

The Security Team is on duty each Sunday Morn-ing and continues to meet to consider other improve-ments that need to be made to security around the church. Thank you for your help and understanding in this matter. We want the church to be a safe place for all.



Hello from my office! It has been good to sleep in my own bed the last few nights. We have had a very busy summer, but a great one. We do have at least one activity left, and that is our rafting trip. At press time I was not able to verify the dates, so check our Fa-cebook page for updates!

We will have a presentation about our Fuge trip on Sunday, August 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Come hear some sto-ries, worship with us, and see some pictures from the trip!

Props to our mission team! Representing the students were Brandon Edwards, Cassie McKeown, Faith Thomas, Isaac Brown, Jacob Wade and Mary Josey. Great job everybody!


Our School Year Kickoff will be Sunday, Au-gust 19<sup>th</sup>. Make sure you sign up for our free meal and the annual ‘filling out of paperwork’ by calling the church office!

-David [David@fbcchester.com](mailto:David@fbcchester.com)

**Mission Team Is Thankful for All the Support**

Many people are to be thanked for the successful week of Mission Work here in Chester. We want to say thank you to Classic Metals in Richburg for donating the metal and other materials we needed for the roof that was put on the house. We thank Textile Unit Printers for the t-shirts. We appreciate the guidance and support we received from City True Value and Ezell’s Hardware as we made many trips to these places for supplies and to exchange sup-plies. Sam’s Home Center also was supportive and helped the mission team in many ways. Carolina Com-mercial Builders let us use a flat-bed trailer for several days. Caper’s Chapel United Methodist Church provided our Sunday evening meal. We are thankful for all those who made desserts for the first Wednesday throughout the year. We appreciate the people who bought, sold, and cooked the Boston Butts Super Bowl Weekend. We are thankful for all those who made donations to the Mission Trip Fund. We are thankful for all of the prayers. We are thankful for each person who supported the mission effort in any way.

Also the Mission Team members are to be thanked for their willingness to give a week to do the work in the community. Mission Team members provided many tools and equipment that were used throughout the week. Thank you to all who had a part in making the mission week here in Chester a great success.



Last week the Mission Team hosted a cookout in the city park located across Aiken Street from the church. We got to the park and had every-thing set up and ready. About that time, the rain came. We all huddled under the shelter and watched the rain while we listened to it hit the tin roof of the shelter.

There is a small creek that borders the park and runs across the church property after it flows under Aiken Street. We watched the creek. Most of the time, it is small creek with a gentle flow of water. The longer it rained the more water flowed through the creek. There were several items in the creek and we watched the water rise quickly and begin to cover the items. The water finally rose high enough that the items were completely hidden from sight. It was amazing how quickly the creek changed from a quiet little stream to a rapidly flowing stream several feet deep.

As we travel through life, there are days when life is like the gentle, flowing stream. Life is relatively calm. And suddenly the conditions of life change. Good things are happening faster than we can imagine. Hard days come and we wonder how we will keep our heads above water. Life can come at us very quickly and life can change in a moment. In the midst of the calm and in the midst of the storm, we live with the assurance that God is with us. No matter what comes in life, good or bad, fast or slow, calm or turbulent, we know that God is with us, walking with us and helping us through. When life chang-es rapidly we know that God is the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow. He is the rock and the solid foundation for our lives. As the Lord holds to us, let us find our strength in Him for all that comes our way in life.

**Mission Team Report**

The Mission Team will give their report on Wednes-day, August 1, 2018 during the mid-week Prayer Service. Plan to be present to hear about all the work that was done during the mission week here in Chester. It is always good to celebrate God’s work and be reminded of the ways that God is at work in our midst.

**Brothers United For Christ**

The next gathering of the Brothers United for Christ is Monday, August 13, 2018 at 6:30 PM. We will meet at Calvary Baptist Chon Walnut Street to share a meal together, furch ellowship, and plan our continued min-istry together. All men are invited to come and be a part of this group.