

# The Informer

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# ETERNAL VISION LIVE

FRIDAY AT

FAIRFAX FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

**TIME IS 6:00PM** 

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

**P.O. DRAWER 820** 

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## **OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday, 9/19	
Sunday School	10:00am
Morning Worship	11:00am
Bible Study Class	4:30pm
Discipleship Training	
Evening Worship	6:00pm
Wednesday, 9/22	
Prayer/Bible Study	6:30pm
Adult Chair Practice	7:30nm

# **SERVANTS September 19, 2021**

# **Tellers**

Joey Oswald, Tripp Williams

# **Lord's Prayer**

Stan Sibley

# **Church Monitor**

**Butch Sauls** 

#### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

<u>Lorine Speck</u> - 5 Tranquil Point, Lexington, SC 29072

#### **JEH Nursing Home**:

Jean Ferguson, Catherine Loadholt, Celia Jones, Annie Manuel, Hilda Rahn

Tyler Rest More Home— Orangeburg, SC Claudine Mitchel

OUR ACTIVE MILITARY: John Mark Cook, Lt. Joseph Dyches Jr., Major Lindi Kirkland-US Air Force

#### Friends & Family:

Raymond Bennett, Paula Billingsley, Peggy Boleman, Willis Bowers, Jo Ann Brabham, Leigh Brabham, Marvin Brege, Katie Champagne, Libby Chassereau Larry Cribb, James Deer, Charlie Drawdy, Ralph & Elaine Elliott, Marvin Ferrer, George Fogle, Ida Foust, Carrie Grubbs, Todd Grubbs, Bonnie Harter, Kenny Morris, Jr., Walker Russell Harter, Greg Hiatt, Jenny Jackson, Donnie & Debbie Jones, Cecilia Kearse, Chester & June Kearse, Linda Kearse, Lib Loadholt Peggy Loadholt, Resa Monts, Linda Moseley, David Murphy, Kelly O Bryant, Frankie Padgett, Chris & Tammy Page, Ralph Payne, Azilee Polk, Reid Porter Jr., Dr. Raman, Debbie Rish, Shirley & Robinson, Cliff Rogers, Linda Rowell, Libby Smith, Latrelle Still, Cambridge Stone, Richard Sumler, Jerel Teems, Sara Beth Thomas, Tina Tuten, Kim Trabue, Teresa Tyler, David Walls, David & Marsha Ann Wiley, Myrna Wilson, W. K. & Elese Windham, Billy Woolridge, Jule Young, Janice Zissette



Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Philippians 4:4

When we watch or read the news, it's hard to find good things happening. War rages and civilians suffer from starvation and disease. Wildfires destroy homes and businesses. Floods and hurricanes sweep away livelihoods and treasured memories. Governments imprison dissenters and violently persecute missionaries.

Now look closer. Are you being bullied at work? Are you or a family member struggling to keep a marriage together? Are you watching a child, spouse, or co-worker caught in the claws of addiction?

It's easy to rejoice and praise God when things are going well; it's much harder to rejoice in times of suffering.

The apostle Paul knew about suffering. He was imprisoned not once but twice, before ultimately being executed. Today's bible verse comes from Paul's letter to the church at Philippi. When he wrote it, he was likely under house arrest, Under constant surveillance and unable to move about freely. He was a prisoner, yet he was encouraging his readers to rejoice!

Your Savior, Jesus, also knew what it was to suffer. He suffered beatings and death on a cross, but he also grieved the death of his friend Lazarus. He watched with anger as money changers desecrated the temple. He saw the pain of the blind, the lame, and the demon possessed. He ate with society's outcasts-prostitutes and tax collectors. Jesus walked in our broken world and knew our human pain, experiencing much of it himself.

But just as Paul rejoiced in suffering, we, too, as Jesus' followers, are made to rejoice in all circumstances. We can rejoice in the face of hardship because we are not alone—our Savior walks with us. Because Jesus has promised us everlasting life, we can rejoice in our suffering-we know it is only temporary.

Most of all, we know we are made to rejoice because rejoicing brings glory to God! When we rejoice in good times and in struggles, we acknowledge God's glory in our lives and in our world. He is in control and promises to work in everything for the good of his creation (Romans 8:28) We are made to rejoice in God our Savior, always.

Janie Chapman State Missions
Season of prayer for State Missions.
Please give to Jamie Chapman Offering.

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"Young at Heart" will be going to Lowcountry Seafood on September 16. If anyone isn't able to go, please let the office know or Mary Jean know by September 14.

Online Giving
You can give online at:
baptistfoundationsc.org/give/ (Select
Fairfax First Baptist or #ff
bc)
You have the option to give by credit card
or check.

#### **Attention**

<u>September 17</u> at 6:00pm "Eternal Visions Ministries" will be in concert here at First Baptist. This is a Friday. <u>A Love offering</u> will be taken.

September 19 a speaker from Operation Christmas Child will here to tell about what they are doing.

September 26 Allendale -Hampton Associational meeting will be here starting at 2:30pm

Funeral for Mrs. Louise Cook will be Saturday at 2:00 at the church.

#### **Mission Project**

Our Youth will be collecting money for the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes this year. What is collected between now and October will be used to purchase items to be packed in the Shoeboxes. There is a jar in our Sunday School room if you would like to drop in some change toward this goal. If you would like to donate, you may add this as a designated item on an offering envelope. If you have any questions, contact Mary Jean. Additional jars will be in the entrance to church and church office. Thank You

### **OUR RECORD SPEAKS 9/12/21**

SS Enrollment/Attendance 116	5/ 35
Morning Worship	58
JD Chapman	
Budget Offering	
Budget Needs (weekly)	3798.00