

# The Current



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## FROM OUR INTERIM PASTOR

I want to express the joy that has been afforded me to be the Interim Pastor for a while at Boiling Springs Baptist. I feel like it is a homecoming for me as I have so many memories of ministry with this congregation and have had the privilege to develop lifelong friendships. I pray that God will give me wisdom and His inspiration as I seek to share the truth of the Scriptures and minister to the needs of the congregation.

As you know, I work with the Baptist Retirement Homes of NC full time. I will be making contacts by phone while I am traveling and when I am in town primarily. If you have a need, please call Heidi at the church and she will relay the message to me. I have had the COVID vaccines and feel comfortable if a personal visit will help meet any need.

COVID has placed many obstacles in every area of our lives. There has been a great strain on churches across the world as well as in our communities. Prayerfully, as the vaccines are acquired, the family of God can come back together physically in growing numbers. Let us pray for one another and encourage one another as we navigate these times. I am grateful for the staff and leadership and their work to keep everyone safe.

Easter Sunday is just around the corner! I look forward to our time of worship to celebrate our Risen Lord! I would ask you to invite a friend to come with you to worship or to join us in the Parking Lot by radio or streaming. There are many in our community who need to have a vital personal relationship with Christ. Join me in praying for God to do a mighty work every time we gather together!

It is a joy to walk together with you following our Lord!

- Keith Dixon

## FROM OUR ASSOCIATE PASTOR FOR MUSIC & ADULTS

Holy Week is upon us. For me, this week is the most meaningful of all weeks of the Christian year. What a culmination of the Christian story. For a life well-lived and committed to caring for and loving others, Jesus was betrayed and hung on a cross to die. What an injustice. But that was not the end of the story, God stepped in and raised Jesus from the dead, proving to the world that God always notices when there is injustice. You would think that those of us who came afterward would have learned something about how to treat others, would have learned more about whose side God is on, and how we are called to right the injustices we see, in big and small ways. And yet, here we are in 2021 and that kind of thing happens over and over, even in the church. My prayer this Holy Week is that we will seek to be the people God is calling us to be. We can do better. We must do better.

In God's service with you,

-Candy

## FROM THE DEACONS

Darryl Bridges will join the Board of Deacons effective immediately. Darryl will be replacing Jamie Nolen, who has chosen to resign. Jamie's service to the Board of Deacons is appreciated. This replacement follows the procedure established in our church constitution.

## FROM OUR MINISTER FOR YOUTH

As we move into the month of April, there are two main updates to be aware of. First, the deadline to sign up for summer camp has officially passed. Therefore, those of you who signed up to go should be looking out for information in the Weekly Updates or directly from Matt. Also, there has been an important change in cost for each participant (for the better). The cost for each participant to attend camp this summer is \$60. In part, this is due to the fact that there are more funds carrying over into this year from last year than anticipated. However, this is largely possible because of the generous contributions from those in our church and community toward youth fundraisers such as the annual youth golf tournament, so a big thanks goes out to all our supporters! **Each participant's \$60 will be due NO LATER than Sunday, June 6th, 2021!** You can pay online on the BSBC website by clicking "Online Giving" and choosing the "Youth Activities" option under the word "Fund." Also, be sure to type the participant's name in the blank labeled "Memo." You can also pay Heidi Dobbins by bringing your payment by the church office during office hours or by bringing your payment to Matt Waller during Sunday/Wednesday services.

Secondly, the youth and I are progressing nicely through our series on Spiritual Discipline using the book *Celebration of Discipline: The Path to Spiritual Growth* by Richard J. Foster. We have now studied the "inward disciplines" of meditation, prayer, fasting, and study as well as the "outward disciplines" of simplicity, solitude, submission, and service. We will conclude our series by studying the "corporate disciplines" of confession, worship, guidance, and celebration. If you would like to access our group's Google Classroom page for weekly content and challenges (specifically pertaining to spiritual discipline), please contact Matt for more details. For updates on the youth program and/or youth activities, please read the Weekly Updates and/or contact Matt. And as always, you can also follow the youth group on Facebook @bsbcyouthgroup and on Instagram @boilingspringsbaptistyouth.

In truth and love,

- Matt



## FROM OUR MINISTER FOR PRESCHOOL AND CHILDREN

### It's a Miracle

Grayson is trying to catch a fish. As he waits, he watches a waterfall splash into the pond. Then he sees a beautiful rainbow. "Wow!" says Grayson. "It's a miracle!" Have you ever seen a rainbow? Only God can put a rainbow in the sky. That's why Grayson called it a miracle. God can do marvelous things because no one is as powerful as he is.

- One Year Devotions for Preschoolers

Miracles! This season of the year is such an example of miracles. We change from cold gray winter to the beauty of spring! We see the gift of flowers and trees blooming. This year, we begin to rebuild from a time of loneliness to being able to see our friends and come to church, safely. Most importantly, we celebrate the miracle of Jesus' death and resurrection. The beginning of our renewal of our faith in God and His hands in taking care of us. Thank you, God for bringing us into the miracle of spring and new beginnings.

You are the God of miracles and wonders! You demonstrate your awesome power among nations.

- Psalm 77:14

- Miss Ellen

### This Life of Faith: Seeing through Believing

What does it mean to live a "life of faith," how do we do it, and why do we do it? When we choose to be a Christian, we begin a journey on what we often call the "life of faith." We begin a journey going through life in a way that God calls us and doing so as part of the community of believers. The April Bible study is an opportunity for us to talk about our faith as we explore what Scripture tells us about this life of faith. Each week, we will have a specific passage of Scripture that will be our "home base" for discussing the different aspects of our faith. This time of study is for all ages at all points in their faith-walk, so please join us as we study and talk about the Christian life. Folks will be able to join both in-person and over Zoom, Sunday afternoons at 5:00 p.m. on April 11, 18, 25, and May 2. More information on the in-person location coming soon. If you are interested, please contact Jeremiah Hamby (828-499-1398 or [1220hamby@gmail.com](mailto:1220hamby@gmail.com)) or let Heidi know by calling the church office. This is just so Jeremiah can have a rough estimate of the group size. If you forget to let them know, you are still welcome! Also, if you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Jeremiah at any time!

**You are invited** to a bridal shower honoring Erica McKee and Lee Glenn on Sunday, April 18 from 2-3:30 p.m. at the Picnic Shelter. Drive-thru is also an option. Lee and Erica are registered at Amazon.com. Please join us as we celebrate their upcoming marriage

Like all of our lives since the beginning of 2020, Relay for Life/American Cancer Society has had to make changes. But CANCER has not stopped and neither can we!

Last year there were no events held, but we still tried to raise funds for this fight. At this time we are planning a 2021 event here in Cleveland County... all will depend on COVID-19 restrictions, of course. The plans are for a Drive-Thru at Dover YMCA May 22, 2021 from 6:00-9:00 pm. Other plans are in the works with further updates as they occur.

We need all SURVIVORS to register differently this year. Please call the American Cancer Society (# 800-227-2345) and give them your information. When registering please let them know it is Relay for Life Cleveland County so all our survivors will be identified. This is a change from previous years. Their phone lines are open each night until 7:00 pm.

Also I hope to have a walk thru or drive thru luminary service here at our church prior to the county event as we have done in the past. All parts of this would take place outside. I will place forms in our vestibule and prayer room if you would like a luminary bag to honor or remember someone you love. Please return completed form and a \$10 donation for each luminary to the church office or Diane Rabon. (Make checks to American Cancer Society.)

Our church team: **Boiling Springs Baptist Encouragers**

If you have any questions, please contact me,  
Diane Rabon  
704-692-490



### FROM THE PARISH NURSE COMMITTEE

Glaucoma is a disease that damages your eye's optic nerve. Many people have no idea that they have glaucoma until they have significant, irreversible vision loss. This is because this disease often has no symptoms until vision loss is extensive. Adults with no symptoms or risk factors for eye disease should get a baseline eye disease screening at age 40. People of any age who have symptoms or have diabetes or high blood pressure should see an ophthalmologist or optometrist now to determine how often to have eye exams. With early treatment, potentially blinding eye problems often have a good outcome.

Source: American Academy of Ophthalmology  
<https://www.aaof.org/eye-health/diseases/what-is-glaucoma>



### FROM THE GCCBA



**A free paper shredding event for our  
churches & community**

**Friday, April 23, 2021**

**10:00 am – 2:00 pm**

**GCCBA Office**

**Removal of boxes of paper from your trunk and  
loading on to the truck will be provided by our  
trusted vendor Shred Away**

## Worship at BSBC - Sundays at 11:00 a.m.

with livestream/participation via Zoom.

There will be distanced seating with masks available if you do not have one.

Prayer requests may be texted to (704) 418-8718. Audio broadcast on 105.5 FM

Zoom link available in the Weekly Update. Services available on DVD.

### CHURCH NEWS

Dear Friends,

I want to thank the many church members who have so graciously supported us with their love and prayers as we lost Rhea. Your many kindnesses—bringing food, making calls, and sending cards and notes have been overwhelming. Rhea and I have been blessed to be a part of the Boiling Springs Baptist Church over these decades since 1962—nearly our whole married life.

I also want to thank Candy Wilson who has been a pastoral minister to me. She as Choir Director, and Roger Lowe as masterful technician have also given me great joy by letting me be a part of the Zoom Choir during these difficult times.

— Bob Lamb

Dear Friends,

Thank you for the cards, calls and prayers I received during this time. Thanks also for the lunch after the funeral.

We have been so fortunate to be members of such a caring church.

Please continue to pray for me as I deal with the aftereffects of COVID-19 and the loss of Reginald!

Love,

— Barbara Dawkins

Dear Church Family,

We have been so touched by the outpouring of love during the loss of Jody's father. Thank you for your kind words, cards, meal and prayers. We are so blessed to be part of this church family.

—Jody & Chris Tipton

Boiling Springs Baptist Church,

Sammy's family appreciates so much your allowing us to use your church facilities, printing the bulletins and making the DVDs for his service. Even though he was not a member, I know he enjoyed attending Sunday school there for many years.

As I mentioned to Carroll Page, we were very grateful to him for leading the service with such a personal remembrance of someone we loved dearly.

With much gratitude,

—Libby Thompson

### New baby in our congregation!

**Jackson Hayes Newton**

Born March 26, 2021 to Laura and Jonathan Newton. Big brother Dawson Newton.

Grandparents are Dara and Eric Kisselburg.



### For the Record

**Weekly Budget Needs: \$12,222.82**

#### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

For March 2021

February 28	\$12,484.00
March 7	\$13,663.67
March 14	\$6,069.00
March 21	\$11,134.00
March 28	\$12,345.00

CBF Global Missions to date \$3,510.00  
Annie Armstrong to date \$1,410.00  
WMU Heck-Jones to date \$3,290.00

Online  
Giving

[When viewing online,  
click here to give!](#)

### Heartfelt Christian Sympathy

to the family and friends of:

**Thelma Edwards**

sister of Chris Bridges

**Christine Alford**

mother of Heather Linnens

**Sammy Thompson**

father of Jodye Tipton

**Jerry Vanhoy**

brother of Jodye Tipton

### BSBC EMAIL AND TEXT COMMUNICATION

Stay in touch by receiving The Current, Weekly Update, Prayer List, and other important

messages by text and email by calling the church office, or emailing to

info@boilingspringsbaptist.org

Be sure to like our BSBC Facebook pages:



Boiling Springs Baptist Church

BSBC Parish Nurse Committee

Boiling Springs Baptist Youth

Boiling Springs Baptist Church Daycare

Boiling Springs Baptist Church Forum



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### CHURCH SCHEDULE

#### OFFICE HOURS

M-Th 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.  
Friday 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.  
Subject to change.  
Limited building access.  
Offering drop box in office lobby.

#### FOOD PANTRY

T-W 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Many classes are meeting online with Zoom. Contact your teacher to find online availability. Some groups meet in person with proper precautions.

#### SUNDAY WORSHIP

11:00 a.m. Audio is broadcast on 105.5 FM. The service is also available live via Zoom. Links to this service are included in the Weekly Update. Services are posted to Vimeo and linked to the church Facebook page. DVDs available upon request.



### The Little Bulldog Backpack Program

The backpack program this year is feeding 57 children every weekend, and this number continues to rise as children are going back to school full-time. The pandemic has changed many things and not having our fundraiser was a major setback for our program. We normally have a parade of tables in February that fuels our program into the next year, but this year we are asking for donations to help keep us going. Any donation is welcome, and you can send it to the church. This has always been a community effort, and we appreciate your support now and in the future.



#### Newsletter Information

All information for this newsletter should be submitted by the **20<sup>th</sup> of each month** to meet our publishing deadline.

#### THANK YOU

to all who help get *The Current* ready for mailing each month. Your service is greatly appreciated.

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**\*REGULAR SUNDAY  
ACTIVITIES**

8:00 a.m. Men's Bible  
Study in the Ruth Willing  
Workers SS Room

9:45 a.m. Men's Sunday  
School at the Picnic  
Shelter

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship with  
livestream/participation.  
Audio broadcast on  
105.5 FM  
Zoom links in the Weekly  
Update.

**REGULAR  
WEDNESDAY  
ACTIVITIES**

11:00 a.m. Wednesday  
Morning Prayer Group on  
Zoom

6:00-7:00 p.m. Study in  
James with Alice Cullinan  
on Zoom

6:00-7:30 p.m. Youth in  
sanctuary and on Zoom

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary  
Choir meets on Zoom

# APRIL 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2 School Spring Break Begins	3
4 <b>*EASTER SUNDAY</b>	5	6  9:00-11:00 Community Food Pantry  11:00 Staff Meeting	7 <b>*Regular Activities</b>  9:00-11:00 Community Food Pantry	8  C.A.R.E. - C	9 School Spring Break Ends	10
11 <b>*Regular Activities</b>	12  6:30 Deacon's Mtg.	13  9:00-11:00 Community Food Pantry  11:00 Staff Meeting	14 <b>*Regular Activities</b>  9:00-11:00 Community Food Pantry  C.A.R.E. - A	15	16	17
18 <b>*Regular Activities</b>  2:00-3:30 Bridal shower for Erica McKee and Lee Glenn at the Picnic Shelter	19	20 Current articles due.  9:00-11:00 Community Food Pantry  11:00 Staff Meeting	21 <b>*Regular Activities</b>  9:00-11:00 Community Food Pantry  C.A.R.E. - R	22	23	24
25 <b>*Regular Activities</b>	26	27  9:00-11:00 Community Food Pantry  11:00 Staff Meeting	28 <b>*Regular Activities</b>  9:00-11:00 Community Food Pantry  C.A.R.E. - E	29	30	