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Special Christmas Edition

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THE LIGHT

FORK BAPTIST CHURCH



5:00 P.M.

INVITE FAMILY & FRIENDS

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Rev. Robert Garrett, Senior Pastor

Rev. Dakota Gragg, Minister of Youth & Education

Rev. Steve Dowd, Worship Pastor

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Nora Smith, Church Custodian & Organist

Doug Sarver, Pianist

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SENIOR PASTOR NOTES!

EVEN HAVING TO CANCEL OUR cantata last Sunday night the Lord showed us this past Sunday why, so we could have our preschool, children and adults programs together and because of that we had one of our greatest responses to these ministries in a long time. Our Preschool and Children Choirs sure brought many smiles and lot's of laughter to our hearts this past Sunday night. Thank you boys and girls for bringing some added joy to our hearts at a time that we all very much needed it. With all that is happening in our world our children sure reminded us what Christmas and what we are to be all about. Special thanks to **Dawna Jones**, Children's Director and **Holly Miller and Becky Jones**, Preschool Choir Directors, and their many helpers for all their hard work and just caring and loving on our children. And to our Adult Choir, you truly brought us "Good news from home" and blessed all those who were there in a great way. Special thanks to **Rev. Steve Dowd** and our Adult Choir for not only this great presentation but how he and they lead us in wonderful worship Sunday after Sunday.

SPECIAL THANKS.....to our Christmas and Fellowship Committees for one of our most special Fork family Christmas fellowship gatherings. We indeed experience "Koinonia" within our church family. A very special thanks goes to **Mrs. Holly Miller** for going far beyond the call of duty. Let's do our best to continue this spirit of fellowship even as we enter a new year. For our church to be all that our Lord intends her to be we much fulfill Acts 2:42 *"devoted themselves (ourselves) to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer."*

CHURCH FAMILY LET'S CELEBRATE..... together THIS Monday night as we commemorate our Savior's birth at our Christmas Eve Candle Light Lord's Supper Service. I hope you will make this special service a part of your family's Christmas Eve celebration. You are encouraged to come dressed casual for this special time together. We will have a special children's message, carol sing, Lord's Supper and we will conclude with a very special candle lighting. Come and let's celebrate and worship our RISEN LORD!

WE ARE INVESTING IN "EVERY CHURCH EVERY NATION".....by giving to our Lottie Moon Christmas offering. This past Sunday many of you gave sacrificially to in order that we might attain our \$16,000 goal. AS of this past Sunday You gave \$12,114.00 toward this very important ministry goal. Just this past Sunday you gave almost \$12,000 alone which is truly a God thing. Fork family the challenge is before us as we meet the remainder of this very important mission offering this Sunday.

VICKIE AND I WOULDlike to wish each and every one of you our wonderful church family a very merry Christmas and a joyous new year. We feel truly blessed to be able to celebrate our FIFTHTEENTH Christmas with you as Pastor and family. WOW time flies when God is blessing! You continue to be so very special to **Vickie AND me**. You have truly helped make this Christmas very special. Thank you Deacons and church family for the generous Christmas gift you gave us, as well as, the many cards, gifts, delicious food, and the many other expressions of love you have shared with us during this most wonderful time of the year. You are truly a great church!! We love each of you very much!

MERRY CHRISTMAS.....IT'S A BOY!!!

For HIS Kingdom only,
Robert and Vickie!



YOUTH MINISTRY & OTHER NEWS



Mid/Week in the Loft
Wednesday Nights
6:30 P.M. ~ Youth Room



Every Sunday come grab a cup of Factory Coffeehouse Coffee in the Youth Café after the first service before Sunday School.



College Retreat Jan. 25-27
Only \$25
Snowbird Wilderness Outfitters Andrews, NC

Youth Help Pack Fruit Baskets
For the Seniors in Our Community
This Friday ~ 6pm
Fork Fire Department



CANCELLATION OF SERVICES

This time of year sometimes makes traveling conditions, parking lots, and sidewalks very hazardous. A decision will be made by our Pastor and Deacon Chairman to cancel services and activities and will be posted on the following radio and TV stations. A decision will be made by 7:00 a.m. in reference to our Sunday services and 3:00 p.m. for our Wednesday evening services. For your safety, before venturing out in questionable weather, please check for announcements. Television Stations WFMY-2, Channel 45, FOX8, & WXII-12 Radio Stations—WBFJ 89.3FM and WDSL—Mocksville's AM Station—or call church's main number, option #15. 998-8306



Pick up your 2019 Offering Envelopes
This Sunday— December 30



To receive credit on your contribution statement for 2018, all contributions must be in the Church Office **by, December 31**. Thank you for your faithfulness to the programs and ministries of Fork Baptist Church and its on going ministries during the year of 2018.



Merry Christmas & a Blessed New Year
from Your Church Staff!! We love you!!



U P C O M I N G E V E N T S !

NURSERY SCHEDULE

This Sunday, December 23

8:30 A.M. SERVICE— Ken & Pat Merrell

11:00 A.M. SERVICE

Nursery 1— Diane Green

Nursery 2— Justin & Holly Miller



Next Sunday December 30

8:30 A.M. SERVICE— Brian & Kala Murphy

11:00 A.M. SERVICE

Nursery 1— Steve & Sherrie Ridenhour

Nursery 2— Brian & Brandi Miller

Coordinator

December— Paula Tkach 336-978-4797

CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE

This Sunday, December 23— No

Children's Church

Next Sunday, December 30— Andrea Kimura

Coordinator ~ Holly Miller 940-4117



**Christmas Eve
Lord's Supper
& Candlelight Service
5:00 P.M.
Dress Casual**



In the event there are
no Services
due to weather on any
Sunday Morning
Join Rev. Robert Garrett
Live on Facebook

**Christmas Take Down
We Need Your Help
December 27 9:00 A.M.
December 29 All Day**



**Deacons' Meeting
January 6
3:45 P.M.
Library**

Office Closed
December 25 & 26
And January 1
No Evening Services
December 26 & 30



Family Promise Wish List

2 Love Seats (used or new)

Size 5 Baby Diapers

Baby wipes

Cleaning Supplies

Latex Gloves

Laundry Detergent Pods

Drop Box Outside Church Office

**If you have any questions or want to volunteer
to help see Becky Jones.**



January Ushers

8:30 a.m. Ricky Rummage, Capt

Jonathan Quance, Stan Turner

11:00 a.m. Scott Davis, Capt

Alvin Howard, Don Bailey, Mike Livengood



**R.A. Post Office
Now— This Sunday
Give to Lottie Moon in place
of stamps
Place cards & offering in baskets**

COME WORSHIP WITH US

Come Worship With Us

This Sunday, December 23- Advent IV

8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

"Preparing The Way For Essential Reconciliation"

Isaiah 9:6

By Our Pastor

No Evening Services or Activities

Christmas Eve- Lord's Supper

Candlelight Service

5:00 P.M.

Next Sunday, December 30

8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

Special Guest Speaker Rev. Joanthan Lotz

No Evening Services or Activities



Life Groups Resume January 27~ 6:00 P.M.

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering **Our Goal \$16,000.00**



Given to Date
\$12,114.00
Needed to Reach
Goal
\$3,886.00



Visitors

Kenneth Everhart

3216 Giles Rd

Lexington, NC 27295



Glory to God



Sanctity of Human Life Sunday

January 20

8:30 & 11:00 A.M. Worship

Baptist Men's Day

January 27



Advent Families

Advent IV

"Candle of Love"

This Sunday, December 23

8:30 a.m.

Brian & Kala Murphy

Chase & McKenna

Both Joined Fork April 25, 2010 by Letter

11:00 a.m.

Chris & Blaire Whitaker

Garrett, Audrey & Bentley

Both Joined Fork September 5, 2013

Chris by Profession of Faith & Baptism

Blaire by Letter

Christ Candle

"Candle of Joy"

Christmas Eve

8:30 a.m.

Scott & Amy Davis

Tatum & Parker

Scott Joined Fork March 28, 2004 by Letter

Amy Joined June 15, 1985 by Profession of

Faith & Baptism

Tatum Joined May 25, 2011 by Profession

of Faith & Baptism

Parker Joined January 31, 2016 by

Profession of Faith & Baptism

Spiritual Statistics

Sunday, December 9

S. S. Attendance

8:30 a.m. Worship Attendance

11:00 a.m. Worship Attendance

NO WORSHIP DUE TO SNOW

Financial Statistics

Week of December 9

Weekly Budget Receipts \$0.00

Weekly Budget Needs \$7,756.00

Deficit -\$7,756.00

Weekly Designated Funds

none

Total Tithes & Offerings -No Offering Due to Snow

Sunday, December 16

S. S. Attendance 173

8:30 a.m. Worship Attendance 97

11:00 a.m. Worship Attendance 122

TOTAL IN MORNING WORSHIP 219

Financial Statistics

Week of December 2

Weekly Budget Receipts \$11,348.50

Weekly Budget Needs \$7,756.00

Surplus +\$3,592.50

Weekly Designated Funds

Lottie Moon \$11,729.00

Total Tithes & Offerings \$23,077.50

Merry Christmas!! It's a Boy!!!



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