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Grace and Peace to you, church family!

This past Sunday was Father's Day, and I shared a quote from John G. Paton's autobiography. Paton was a Scottish missionary in the 1800s who reached the New Hebrides island chain in the South Pacific with the gospel. He faced many dangers and hardships, including the threat of death from the cannibals he was evangelizing. One of the factors that attributed to his faithfulness was the influence of his father. I am sharing the same quote here that I read Sunday morning to give you the chance to really meditate on it-

"The 'closet' was a very small room between the other two, having room only for a bed, a little table and a chair, with a diminutive window shedding diminutive light on the scene. This was the Sanctuary of that cottage home. There daily, and often multiple times a day, generally after each meal, we saw our father retire, and shut to the door; and we children got to understand by a sort of spiritual instinct (for the thing was too sacred to be talked about) that prayers were being poured out there for us, as of old by the High Priest within the veil in the Most Holy Place.

We occasionally heard the pathetic echoes of a trembling voice pleading as if for life, and we learned to slip out and in past that door on tiptoe, not to disturb the holy conversation. The outside world might not know, but we knew, from where came that happy light as of a new-born smile that always was dawning on my father's face: it was a reflection from the Divine Presence, in the consciousness of which he lived. Never, in temple or cathedral, on mountain or in glen, can I hope to feel that the Lord God is more near, more visibly walking and talking with men, than under that humble cottage roof. Though everything else in religion were by some unthinkable catastrophe to be swept out of memory, or blotted from my understanding, my soul would wander back to those early scenes, and shut itself up once again in that sanctuary closet, and, hearing still the echoes of those cries to God, would hurl back all doubt with the victorious appeal, 'He walked with God, why may not I!'"

If you are not a father, you can still consider the power of intercessory prayer. Do you enter into God's presence on behalf of those He has placed in your life? How can you engage in intercessory prayer in your role as a parent, grandparent, spouse, sibling, friend, church member, etc.? I would encourage you, pray for your loved ones. Pray for those you have influence with. Pray for me, as your pastor. Pray for your fellow church members. Turn a closet in your house into a sanctuary and spend time in the presence of the Lord.

In Christ,
Bro. Dalton Adger

FINDING YOUR VOICE ...TO BE LIKE JESUS

Ephesians 4:15

Dr. Bryan Bolton, Minister of Music and Children

Sanctuary Choir Summer Update.

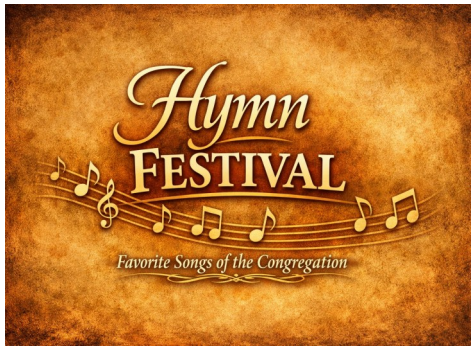
During the month of July, the Sanctuary Choir will enjoy a much-needed and well-deserved break from Wednesday evening rehearsals. This is a chance to rest, recharge, and enjoy the summer rhythms with family and friends. We will resume our regular Wednesday schedule on July 29, 2026.

Choir's Choice: Summer Anthem Countdown.

We also have something fun planned for the summer months. The Sanctuary Choir was invited to look back over the 2025–2026 choir year and choose the anthems that meant the most to them. From those votes, we put together a Top Ten list.

Each Sunday this summer, we will reveal one of those favorites as part of our "Choir's Choice" countdown. It all begins on Sunday, July 19, 2026, and we will keep counting down until we reach the choir's number-one anthem.

We look forward to celebrating the music that has shaped our worship this year and to sharing these meaningful selections with the congregation.

Annual Hymn Festival: Favorite Songs of the Congregation September 27, 2026 | 5:00 PM

Save the date for our 16th Annual Hymn Festival, featuring the congregation's favorite hymns — a tradition we first began in 2010, returned to during our 2020 virtual hymn sing, and now joyfully continue in 2026.

We would love to hear from you. Please share up to five hymns that have ministered to you or held special meaning in your walk of faith. You are welcome to use the hymnal in the pew, or choose from the hymns we have sung from the worship-guide inserts.

In-person voting will take place on Sunday, July 19 and Sunday, July 26, 2206. You may fill in the insert from the worship guide and place it in the ballot box at the display in the Foyer, or email your list to bbbolton@cablelynx.com.

All submissions need to be turned in by July 31, 2026, so we can gather your favorites and prepare a beautiful hymn festival of praise.

Deacon of the Week

MARC STRATTON
July 5, 2026
RODNEY RODGER
July 12, 2026
BLASIOUS AWONSANG
July 19, 2026
M. H. BITELY
July 26, 2026

First Record

May 31, 2026

Budget Needs	$12,090.46
Budget Receipts	$6,205.00
TV Receipts	$10.00
Capital Needs & Repairs	$50.00
Other	$1,290.00
TOTAL	**$7,555.00**

June 7, 2026

Budget Needs	$12,090.46
Budget Receipts	$8,671.00
TV Receipts	$555.00
Capital Needs & Repairs	$1,075.00
Other	$750.00
TOTAL	**$11,051.00**

June 14, 2026

Budget Needs	$12,090.46
Budget Receipts	$7,080.00
TV Receipts	$5.00
Capital Needs & Repairs	$150.00
Other	$521.15
TOTAL	**$7,756.15**

June 21, 2026

Budget Needs	$12,090.46
Budget Receipts	$9,870.00
TV Receipts	$5.00
Capital Needs & Repairs	$175.00
Other	$2,830.00
TOTAL	**$12,880.00**

CHURCH CLOSING

The church office will be closed Friday, July 3, for Independence Day.

The Admin. Board will meet on Sunday, July 19 at 4:00 pm

The Deacons will meet on Sunday, July 19 at 5:00 pm

Sunday, July 19, 2026
will be

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SUNDAY
Undesignated offering will go to Neighbor to Neighbor.

Evening Service at Trinity Village
Sunday, July 26, 4:00 pm
Trinity Village Great Hall

Thank You

Special thanks to John Redman and Wednesday Prayer Group the for surprise birthday celebration. If you are not attending Wednesday prayer meeting, you are missing a great time of Bible study, prayer and fellowship.

Roger Minyard

Dear Church Family,

We deeply appreciate all your prayers, calls, and concerns in the recent illness and death of our daughter, Joy.

Words cannot express the comfort it gives to know others are concerned.

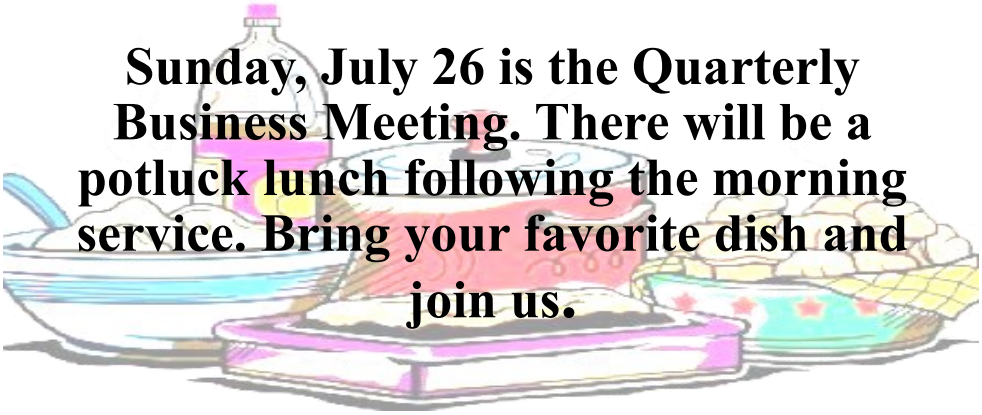
Yours in Christ,

Jacquisue and Ted Carr

Financial FYI

Do you ever look at the numbers on page 2 and wonder what they mean? Each line represents a different aspect of the church's financial picture, helping to keep track of both regular and special contributions, as well as how funds are being allocated for specific needs. By reviewing these lines, church leadership can assess financial health, ensure resources are being directed appropriately, and make adjustments if necessary.

The first line is the budget needs for the week. The second line are the actual gifts received each week. The third line is what we receive to apply to the TV ministry, mainly from viewers. The fourth line goes directly to Capital Needs for repairs and large one time purchases. The fourth line is for any other designated gifts, memorials, funds from the Foundation trusts, Neighbor to Neighbor 3rd Sunday. Any funds that are not budgeted line items. Please call the office anytime you have questions.



Regular Schedule for Weekly Services

SUNDAY:
9:00 am TV Broadcast on FOX 16 (one week delay)
9:00 am Prayer room open
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Morning Worship Service

MONDAY:
6:00 pm Sanctuary Handbells Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY:
12:00 pm Prayer Meeting
6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY:
6:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
6:00 pm Griefshare

News from the Pews

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Our website is live and online giving is available. Listed below are the steps you should follow.

1. Click the GIVE button on our church website: www. fbcpinebluff.org
2. Click the Give Now button.
3. Enter the amount you want to give.
4. Give to the fund pre-selected for you or choose a different fund from the drop-down menu.
5. Select a frequency.
6. Enter your email address.
7. Click CONTINUE.
8. Select your account type:
   Credit/Debit Card
   ACH/Checking Account

Enter your payment information to complete the transaction. You'll receive email confirmation of your gift.
If you choose ACH, be prepared to give the routing number of your bank and the account number.

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