

The Westfield Wire

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Wednesdays at Westfield are for everyone! Join us on Wednesday for fellowship, dinner and Bible study. The *Keep It Simple Supper* (K.I.S.S.) is always delicious and includes dessert! The cost of the dinner is \$4 for ages 11 and up, \$2 for children ages 3-10, children under age 3 eat free with a maximum cost per family of \$12. Dinner is followed by discipleship for all ages.

There is a nursery provided for infants and toddlers. Children through 2nd grade enjoy Bible stories, games and crafts in *Kids Time*. Older elementary children (grades 3-5) learn about and do missions in *Children in Action* (CiA). Youth enjoy relevant conversations, Bible Study and a monthly dinner out and activity. This fall, adults are studying 1st Corinthians.

The adult choir practices on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. Christmas music has just been introduced, so it's a great time to join if you enjoy music!

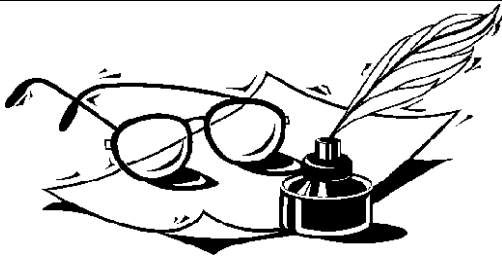
If you would like to volunteer to help prepare the meals or clean up afterwards, contact Vicky Cooney. We have four teams that share the responsibility of preparing the meals for the 50-60 people that attend on Wednesday night. An extra set of hands is always appreciated!

If you haven't experienced a Wednesday night with us, please consider coming this week! If you are a "regular" extend an invitation to someone else. First time guests, eat free.



Vision Statement

To share Christ with all by leading and nurturing through a Ministry of love, fellowship, Bible study, prayer, worship, praise and proclamation of the Gospel; to seek God's guidance as we respond to needs and serve as missionaries to our community and beyond.



from the Pastor's Pen

The story, "The Lord of the Sabbath," appeared in the Fall 2010 *Open Windows* devotional guide.

Do you set aside time every week to worship? Getting a family to church on Sunday morning can be exhausting. Since everyone probably stayed up too late the night before, family members wake up late and all rush to shower at the same time. Usually clothes need special care. Siblings squabble on the way in the car

while parents threaten them to stop. Then everyone steps out of the car at church putting on his or her saintly smiles.

Matthew tells us the Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath. Jesus even chose to honor God by healing a man on the Sabbath. When questioned about this act, Jesus declared He reigned over this day, not the other way around. We worship the Lord who controls every day!

While setting aside time to rest and worship our Creator each week revives our reverence for God and refreshes our relationship with Him, our lack of planning ahead sometimes allows the day to control us. Stressful Sundays put the focus on our feelings rather than the worship of God. Spend the necessary time to prepare for worship.

Prayer: " Father, help me to worship You with reverence. "

When I came across this story I realized I was looking in the mirror. There are Sunday mornings when things are not going the way I expected them to go and I realize I am not in a spirit of worship. For those of you who find yourself in the same boat, do not fret. Do not let a bad start to a Sunday keep you away from worship. I believe there are times when families decide going to church is too much of an effort. Was Jesus Christ dying on the cross for all of humanity too much of an effort?

God is waiting for us to come to Him and give Him thanks for all the blessings we have received. He is waiting for us to enter His house ready to honor him with word and deed. If we say we love God but we do not take the time to worship Him, what message are we sending to God and to the world in which we live? The message would be we do not care as much for God as we say. Give God what He deserves — your time!

Grace & Peace,

Chris

THIS MONTH USHERS

- Ronnie Autry
- Ken Beam
- Sylvia Campbell
- Joe Carr
- Michael Murphy
- Pam Wilkes



- Oct. 2 The Lord's Supper
- Oct. 9 Allen Brown
- Oct. 16 Gary & Lisa Holbert
- Oct. 23 Barbara Stephenson
- Oct. 30 Jack & Bebe Melvin

Deacon of the Week

- Oct. 2 Jimmy Marks, 892-4738
- Oct. 9 Nonie Roberson, 892-5087
- Oct. 16 Michael Murphy, 892-7717
- Oct. 23 Susan Murray, 892-3729
- Oct. 30 Midge Carpenter, 892-7029

CHILDREN'S



Sermon

- October 2**
Chris Cottingham
- October 9**
Betty Bass
- October 16**
Melissa Scott
- October 23**
Charlie Carpenter
- October 30**
Susan Murray

K.I.S.S. Menus

Keep It Simple Suppers

- October 5**
Beef Stew, Rice, Butter Beans, Bread
- October 12**
Chicken Casserole, Fruit, Garden Peas
- October 19**
Fried Pork Chop, Rice & Gravy, Corn, Rolls
- October 26**
Barbeque Pork Shoulder, Buttered Potatoes, Slaw, Rolls
- Dessert, Tea & Water each week

NURSERY WORKERS



October 2
Bebe Melvin

October 9
Sylvia Campbell

October 16
vacant

October 23
vacant





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Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 3 Timothy Bass
- 3 Thomas Bass
- 5 Ronnie Autry
- 5 Bebe Melvin
- 8 Abe Elmore
- 9 Rodney Clayton
- 9 Steve & Terri Crisp
- 9 John Williford
- 11 Brinson Hunter
- 12 Evelene Gardner
- 13 Betty Riddle
- 14 Opal Kathryn Colville
- 20 David Rose
- 22 Anna Bass
- 23 Jennifer Smith
- 24 David & Nancy Rose
- 25 Elva Wilshire
- 29 Jeanne Autry
- 29 Gavin Harris

Weekly Schedule of Services

Sunday

- 9:15 a.m. Bible Study for all ages
- 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

Wednesday

- 5:45 p.m. K.I.S.S.
- 6:30 p.m. Discipleship for all ages
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Practice

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<p>We don't say it often enough, but <i>THANK YOU</i> Chris & Chris!</p> <p>PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH</p>						<p>1</p> <p>Westfield Book Club Home of the Carr's 11 a.m.</p>
<p>2</p> <p>Communion Youth Outing 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Youth Advisory 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Silent Prayer 7-:30 p.m.</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Wednesday Schedule</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Pastor Away October 7-9</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Are You Able? Men's Workday</p>
<p>9</p> <p>Guest Minister Maurice Evans Cookie Walk for Hunger Deacons Meeting 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Columbus Day Children's Ministry Team 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Silent Prayer 7-:30 p.m.</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Wednesday Schedule</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>
<p>16</p> <p>Ensemble Practice 5 p.m. Business Meeting 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Silent Prayer 7-:30 p.m.</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Wednesday Schedule</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>
<p>23</p> <p>LRBA 136th Annual Meeting Fall Session Spout Springs Church 6 p.m.</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Silent Prayer 7-:30 p.m.</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Wednesday Schedule Youth Dinner Out 5:45 p.m.</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>
<p>30</p> <p>Men's Breakfast 8:15 a.m. Trunk-or-Treat 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p>31</p>					

The Children's Ministry Team thanks everyone that helped make our **Family Fun Day** so successful! Most importantly, thanks be to God for dry weather!

The children who attended enjoyed the inflatable giant slide and bounce house. Two girls competed at hula hoop and agreed to a tie after 46 minutes! Face painting, as expected, was one of the most popular venues. Some children even washed their faces and went back for a second time. There were numerous games, including water balloons, that also got attention from the little ones. Plant-a-seed was a big hit and hopefully a seed has been planted to grow our Family Fun Day next year to reach even more children!



We couldn't have done it without the 30 plus volunteers who cooked and served hot dogs and snow cones and watched over all the activities offered. Our thanks also to those in our community who donated and discounted our supplies for the day: Carlie C's IGA, Carolina Quality Snacks, City of Dunn, Dutch Iris Florist, Just Ask Rentals, Republic Waste. A special thanks as well to WBC members who made donations for the day. These contributions helped stretch our small budget!

Trunk-or-Treat is scheduled for Sunday, October 30. We need vehicles with candy! There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board downstairs in the Education Wing if you can help out. If you are unfamiliar with Trunk-or-Treat, basically it is Trick-or-Treating in the parking lot! Individuals decorate their trunks (or truck beds) and pass out candy. The decorations can be simple or elaborate—it's your choice! This is a safe alternative for families to allow their children to participate in the Halloween tradition. If you have questions, please contact Chris C. or any member of the Children's Ministry Team. We ask that you be in place by 5:15 p.m. Vehicles will be parked near the Fellowship Building.





Tithes & Gifts

through September 25, 2011

Budget Requirements	\$ 142,467
General Fund Offerings	122,979
Difference	(\$ 19,488)



Last October many of us made financial pledges towards the church's 2011 budget. We currently are more than \$19,000 behind budget. Fortunately, expenses also are running under budget, but there still will be a substantial shortfall at year-end at the current rate.

The Finance Committee also is beginning its work on the 2012 budget. All committee chairpersons should contact Charlie Carpenter with budget requests for next year.

Everyone, prayerfully consider your giving for the remainder of this year as well as what you can contribute in 2012. Your gifts to Westfield have an impact on God's ministry locally and beyond.

Westfield maintains a small food pantry to help families in need. If you would like to make a contribution, you can place your donations in the box in the breezeway.

Items needed include:
 canned meats, spaghetti noodles & sauce, macaroni, peanut butter, jelly, soup, canned vegetables, canned fruit, pancake mix, pancake syrup, pudding, Jell-O, boxed potatoes, beans, rice, and crackers.




Our Members at Home

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Harnett Woods Nursing & Rehabilitation
 604 Lucas Road
 Room 400

Evelene Gardner

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O.W. "Bill" Godwin, Jr.

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Mary Frances Gordon

Senior Citizens Village
 Room 115



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Secretary Marian Honeycutt

Organist Joyce Ballard

Pianist Vacant

November

- 5 Campbell Youth Day
- 6 Daylight Savings Time ends
- 12 Church Clean Up Day
- 13 WBC's 47th Anniversary, Deacons Mtg.
- 20 OCC Shoebox Dedication, Business Mtg.
- 23 No Wednesday Services
- 24 Thanksgiving
- 25-26 OCC Mission Trip
- 27 Baptist Men's Breakfast, First Sunday of Advent, Hanging of the Greens



December

- 3 Staff Breakfast @ the Dawsons
- 4 WBC Post Office opens, Sr. Citizens Village Christmas Store, Church Council
- 11 Christmas Cantata, Deacons Mtg., Christmas Caroling (Soup & Sandwiches)
- 21 No Wednesday Services
- 23 Christmas at the Dawsons, 5-9 p.m.
- 24 Christmas Eve Service, 5:30 p.m.
- 25 Christmas Day—Worship only at 10 a.m.
- 28 No Wednesday Services