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Ardmore BAPTIST CHURCH

Connecting People with Jesus Christ

WORSHIP CONNECTION

December 3

The First Sunday of Advent
Morning (8:15 & 10:45)

"An Old Man's Prayer"

Luke 1:5-25

Dr. Don Gordon

KidNecton

"Prophets Told about Jesus"

Isaiah 6-7; Micah 5:2-4

Ardmore Family Christmas Tree

If you have not contributed an ornament for the Ardmore Family tree, or need to update your ornament, now is the time. Be sure to paint or print your family's name on it. Add it to our Ardmore Family Christmas Tree after November 30th!

Our Mission:

"To connect people of all ages with Jesus Christ and each other in life-changing relationships."

1st Sunday Of Advent

Orchestra

Women's Trio
accompanied by Frank Voltz

"Hope and Expectation"
by Joseph Martin
Adult Choir



World Missions Banquet

Wednesday, November 29; 5:30 p.m.

Fellowship Hall

Our guest speakers for this year's World Missions Banquet are Roy and Shirley Smith. The Smiths served two appointments with the Home Mission Board, SBC and one appointment with the IMB, SBC. They served four years as Partnership Coordinators for the North Carolina/Southern Africa Partnership, working with almost 2,500 short-term volunteers from North Carolina. Join us as they share about their ministry.

Ukraine Team Meeting

Wednesday, November 29

5:00 p.m. in the Ardmore Room

There will be a team meeting for those interested in going to the Village of Hope in 2018. The opportunity is for a medical team, ladies willing to teach sewing to Ukrainian women, and construction work. If you have any questions, please contact Steve Cline (336-813-3301).

Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, November 30

3:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Ardmore Baptist - Fellowship Hall

Sign up at www.redcrossblood.org.
Enter "Ardmore Baptist" in search box.

Deck The Halls

Our decorating team will gather in the lobby Thursday, November 30, at 6:00 p.m. to decorate for Advent. If you would like to help decorate, please contact Jane Wall (336-909-8080) or meet the team in the lobby.

Bright Christmas

Our annual churchwide Christmas project is Sunday morning, December 10, 2017. We are partnering with Crisis Control to distribute food we collect, and will also provide boxes of food to specific individuals recommended by members of our congregation. Please bring your items to the Fellowship Hall on your way to worship/Bible Study and help brighten this season for those less fortunate. The list of assigned items is below. If you are not in a class, please choose an item from this list to bring.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>No. per person</u>
Support Team	Canned Fruit	Regular	6
Intergenerational	Canned Soup	Regular	5
Pathfinders.....	Oil/Shortening.....	1 qt or 2 lb.....	2
Faith Quest.....	Sugar	4 lb bag	2
The Gathering.....	Canned Vegetables	Regular	8
Children of Israel.....	Sugar	4 lb bag	2
Chinese	Oatmeal.....	1 lb box	3
Ladies	Canned Soup	Regular	5
The Journey	Sugar	4 lb bag	2
The Joy Class	Spaghetti or Macaroni	1 lb box	6
Happy Doers of the Word.....	Oatmeal.....	1 lb box	3
Adult 9, Coed 3	Peanut Butter	1 lb jar	3
Adult 9, Coed 2	Oil/Shortening.....	1 qt or 2 lb.....	2
The Fellowship.....	Peanut Butter	1 lb jar	3
Adult 8, Coed	Corn Meal	2 lb bag	3
Adult 8, Ladies.....	Corn Meal	2 lb bag	3
Adult 7	Canned Fruit	Regular	6
Adult 6	Canned Vegetables	Regular	8
Adult 5	Corn Meal	2 lb bag	3
Adult 4	Spaghetti or Macaroni	1 lb box	6
Adult 3	Oil/Shortening.....	1 qt or 2 lb.....	2
College & Career	Rice	1 lb box or bag.....	4
Youth 6, 12th	Dried Beans	1 lb bag	4
Youth 5, 11th.....	Dry Cereal	Regular	2
Youth 4, 10th.....	Dry Cereal	Regular	2
Youth 3, 9th.....	Dry Cereal	Regular	2
Youth 2, 8th.....	Dry Cereal	Regular	2
Youth 1, 7th	Mac & Cheese	Regular	4
Children 6.....	Rice	1 lb box or bag.....	4
Children 5.....	Mac & Cheese	Regular	4
Children 4.....	Dry Cereal	Regular	2
Children 3.....	Jelly	1 lb jar	2
Children 2.....	Jelly	1 lb jar	2
Children 1.....	Dried Beans	1 lb bag	3
Preschool Fives.....	Crackers.....	1 lb box	2
Preschool Fours	Crackers.....	1 lb box	2
Preschool Threes	Crackers.....	1 lb box	2
Preschool Twos.....	Jelly	1 lb jar	2
Preschool Toddlers.....	Jelly	1 lb jar	2
Preschool Newborns.....	Jelly	1 lb jar	2

Ardmore ABCs...

Our sympathy and Christian concern are expressed to the following in the loss of loved ones:

John Reece in the death of his sister, **Doris Jean Reece Darnell**

Congratulations to **Elizabeth Lopina**, Children & Student Assistant, who will celebrate her 1st anniversary at Ardmore on November 28th. Please express your appreciation to her this week.

Our Pastor Writes...

An Active Shooter at Ardmore?

A deacon in our church recently asked me, "Does Ardmore have a plan in case an active shooter comes into our sanctuary and begins to gun people down?" The answer is "Yes." But before I offer the answer, allow me to remind us of who we are. We are Christians, followers of Jesus Christ, who willingly went to the cross to die for the sins of the world. When Jesus was arrested, Peter attempted to rescue him by cutting off the ear of one of the arresting soldiers. Jesus said, "Put your sword back in its place for all who draw the sword will die by the sword. Do you think I cannot call on my Father, and he will at once put at my disposal more than twelve legions of angels?" (Mat. 26:52-54). When we proclaim Jesus and him crucified, we are not only referring to how he died, we are charting a course for how we will live. We will live not by the sword but by the Word of God manifest through the word of the cross.

As we live as Christians with all the vulnerability to which we are called, we still live in a world where authorized powers maintain order. Therefore we gladly support law enforcement personnel with our tax dollars. This is our common sense response to an active shooter at Ardmore. In fact, the Safety Review Team updated its report in 2016 saying, "In the dreaded event of an active shooter, folks are encouraged to run away as quickly as possible to get out of the area or take cover. **9-1-1 should be called promptly.**" In our current climate where almost everyone has a cellphone, it will only take a few seconds before many people can call 9-1-1 to seek police intervention. The best defense we have in such a crisis is to bring in trained police officers. It would be more dangerous to take matters into our own hands, arming people who are ill-trained in the mechanics and psychology of gun use.

Other measures have been taken to enhance the safety at church including: re-keying our entire facility, improving sight lines by cutting down overgrown shrubbery, and having ushers patrol the facility during worship hours. The Properties Committee will be reviewing these safety practices in more detail in 2018. In the meantime, we are taking these common sense measures to enhance the safety of the worshipping community gathered at Ardmore Baptist Church.

- Don Gordon

Deacon of the Week



November 27 - December 3

Becky Bryant

Phone: 336-945-2860

Weekend Call

December 2 - 3

Don Gordon

Phone: 919-972-1933

Advent Celebration For Families

Sunday, December 3

12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m.

Fellowship Hall A

All families are invited to share a meal together, make an Advent wreath, and learn how you can make Advent a meaningful time with your family. *Lunch will be provided.* Children two years old and younger are welcome to join us for this event or attend childcare that is provided. RSVP to Elizabeth Lopina (elopina@ardmorebaptist.org) by 3:00 p.m. *this Thursday, November 30*, to ensure that we have enough food and supplies for everyone.



There's A Song In The Air

December 6; 6:00 p.m.

Fellowship Hall B

presented by

Ardmore's JOY Singers

(Senior Adult Choir)

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Memorials & Honoraria

MEMORIAL/HONORARIUM FUND
In Honor of Charlie & Dot Freeman
 Wayne & Marvorene Edwards

MUSIC MINISTRY
In Memory of Doris Reece Darnell
 The Gathering SBS Class

MUSIC & ARTS MINISTRY
In Honor of Bonnie Whitaker
 Muriel Rivers

NC BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES
*In Memory of Rosa Lee Wilson and
 In Honor of Mary Doby and family*
 Joe & Dean Eller

WMUNC HECK JONES OFFERING
*In Memory of Rev. John Warren
 Steen*
 Bea McRae

Baptist Children's Home Offering
 Total: \$3,928

For the Record

November 26, 2017

Sunday Bible Study:		435
Morning Worship:	8:15AM	78
	10:45AM	455

Stewardship

Weekly Budget Needs	\$	35,220
Budget Receipts 11/26/17	\$	27,522
Needs-To-Date	\$	1,690,563
Receipts-To-Date	\$	1,719,683
Over/(Under)-To-Date	\$	29,120

Dane's DownLow

Waiting in the Midst of Chaos

Study, homework, job, chores, friends, family, traveling, tests, classes, holiday parties, deadlines; the list could go on. It's evident that a lot is happening in our lives and students probably have it more stressful and chaotic than most. The pressure is intense to do well in school to ensure a future, while not focusing on the present. It's easy to get overwhelmed or drop something like church. Don't make this mistake. While it might not seem like it now, church is the most important activity you can spend your time on. Not only can you have fun and build lasting relationships, but you can grow in your faith and build upon a lasting relationship with Christ. There is nothing more important than time with Christ! As we move toward Christmas I hope you will choose to spend time at church in order to properly prepare for Christ breaking into this world. For the next four weeks we will have student-led Advent in our Sunday morning assembly as we talk through what advent is about and how it can affect each one of our lives. Come join us and embrace the waiting; anticipation might be just the thing you need during the chaos of life.

- Dane Martin

Sr. Adult Christmas Banquet

Friday, December 8

5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

This year's banquet will feature a Barber Shop Chorale. Tickets are \$8.50 and may be purchased through December 3 in your Sunday Bible Study class through Audrey Rhyne, Peggy Grainger, or Barbara Hanes.



An Appalachian Christmas

Sunday, December 17; 7:00 p.m.

A candlelight Christmas concert of Early American carols, Sacred Harp tunes, and beautiful Appalachian carols will feature the Ardmore Baptist Adult Choir and Handbell Choir, an Appalachian instrumental consort, and acclaimed hammered dulcimer musician, Joshua Messick.