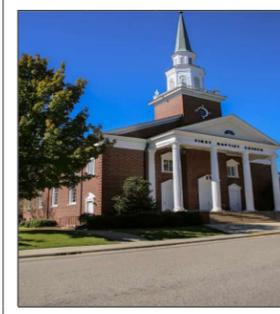


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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

- Mar 1:** Sunday School, 10:00 am
- Mar 4:** Adult Bible Study, E100, 6:00 pm
- Mar 8:** Daylight Savings, Spring forward 1 hour
- Mar 8:** Sunday School, 10:00 am
- Mar 11:** Adult Bible Study, E100, 6:00 pm
- Mar 15:** Sunday School, 10:00 am
- Mar 15:** Deacons Meeting, 12:15 pm
- Mar 18:** Adult Bible Study, E100, 6:00 pm
- Mar 22:** Sunday School, 10:00 am
- Mar 25:** Adult Bible Study, E100, 6:00 pm
- Mar 29:** Palm Sunday
- Mar 29:** Sunday School, 10:00 am



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You gotta love kids...

A Sunday school teacher asked her children as they were on the way to church service, “And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?” One bright little girl replied, “Because people are sleeping.”



Mission's Offering

Church Goal: \$800

Support missions by giving to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering (SBC)

or the

Global Missions Offering (CBF).

“Go into all the world and preach the gospel.”

Attendance Report

Sunday, Feb 2, 2026

(Service canceled due to bad weather)

Sunday, Feb 8, 2026

Sunday School - 28
Worship Service - 41

Sunday, Feb 15, 2026

Sunday School - 30
Worship Service - 38

Sunday, Feb 22, 2026

Sunday School - 30
Worship Service - 52

Tithing Report General Fund

**Sunday
Feb 2, 2026**

\$1,746.40

**Sunday
Feb 8, 2026**

\$4,537.00

**Sunday
Feb 15, 2026**

\$6,979.31

**Sunday
Feb 22, 2026**

\$13,718.31



Why your past doesn't define you, and how faith helps you move forward!

The past can feel heavy. Mistakes, regrets, broken relationships, or painful experiences have a way of following us into the present. Sometimes it feels like no matter how much we want to move forward, the past still whispers in our ear: “Remember what you did?” or, “You’ll never change.”

If you’ve ever felt that way, you’re not alone. And you don’t have to stay stuck. With God’s help, it is possible to let go of the past and step into a future filled with freedom and hope.

1. Acknowledge It and Bring It Into the Light

Ignoring the past never makes it go away. Healing begins when we face it. The Bible reminds us, “You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free” (John 8:32).

2. Receive God's Forgiveness

God’s Word promises, “If anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!” (2 Corinthians 5:17). What God forgives, He forgets.

3. Forgive Others Who Hurt You

Unforgiveness keeps us chained to the past. Forgiveness doesn’t excuse what happened; it releases you from carrying bitterness. Paul wrote, “Forgive as the Lord forgave you.” (Colossians 3:13).

4. Change the Mental Replay

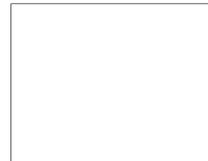
Our minds like to replay painful memories. God invites us to a different focus: “Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing!” (Isaiah 43:18-19).

5. Surround Yourself with Support

You don’t have to walk this road alone. Healing is hard in isolation. God designed us to grow in community. Letting go of the past doesn’t mean forgetting it ever happened. It means refusing to let it define you. Your past may explain where you’ve been, but it doesn’t determine where you’re going. In Christ, you are forgiven. You are loved. You are made new.



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Guest Pastor

Guest Accompanists

John Thompson, Admin/Finance Assistant

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Easter Lilies

Anyone wishing to remember a loved one on Easter by placing a lily in the sanctuary may complete and submit this form to the church office by March 27th. The cost this year is \$16.00.

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

Given by: _____

You may pick up your lily after the 11 am service on April 5th.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

3/4 Lex Hilton	3/5 Charlie Auman	3/5 Melanie Lampley
3/7 Joanna Watson	3/8 Clay Ewing	3/10 Stephanie Shaw
3/18 James Stokes	3/20 Mia Franco	3/21 Janice Coen
3/22 Matt Poston	3/25 Harper Harrelson	3/28 Caroline Smith
3/29 John Thompson	3/30 Kathleen Mumford	



3/19 Larry and Judy Harrelson - 48 yrs



You're invited to the Annual Gathering 2026, where we'll celebrate and explore our intentional calling of being "Free Together" over the course of two days. Come experience the joy of connection and belonging as we worship, learn, share stories and celebrate together about how God is at work in our churches and communities across the state. This isn't just for pastors or church leaders. It's for everyone who loves their church, values community or is simply curious about CBFNC. To register, go to the following website:

<https://cbfnc.org/annualgathering/>

Tonya Godwin
Ken Bostick
Gwen Britt

Kathy Ormsby
Frances Godwin
New Covenant SS Class

Betty Matthews
Dickey and Jan Smith
New Covenant SS Class
Frances Godwin

Randy Warren
Gwen Britt

Jerry Garris
Frances Godwin

Fumiko Davis
Wayne and Mary Stogner

Pauline Meacham
Frances Godwin

Jean Cain
Dickey and Jan Smith

Danny Griffis
Frances Godwin

In Memory of



With Deepest Sympathy

Pauline Meacham who passed away. Pat Buckner's Mother.
Jerry Garris who passed away. Debbie McIver's Step-Father.
Tonya Godwin who passed away. Frances Godwin's Daughter-in-Law
Kathy Ormsby who passed away. Sallie Ormsby's Daughter.
Betty Matthews who passed away. Long time member of FBC.
Danny Griffis who passed away. Kathy Griffis' husband.



TITHES & OFFERINGS

GIVE UNTO THE LORD

Giving Summary	January 2026	February 2026
General Fund	6,928	26,425
Poinsettias	0	0
Memorials & Honor	175	556
NC Missions	0	0
SBC	0	0
Local Missions	0	0
Sundy School Literature	0	0
Lottie Moon	0	0
Senior Adults	0	0
Youth	20	0
Local Benevolence	0	0
Donation (Misc)	0	0
Total Gifts	7,123	26,981
Budget req. to date		29,808
Gifts to date		34,084
YTD req. under actual gifts		4,276
% giving to req.		114%

In Honor of

Deborah Holloway
Frances Godwin

Rev. David Kessler
Frances Godwin

Daylight Savings Time

Don't forget to turn your clocks forward one hour on Sunday, March 8th.

