

## Note of thanks...

"Dear Church Family,  
I want to thank you for your thoughtfulness during the recent passing of my father. Your cards, phone calls, and prayers were comforting and appreciated."

~ Randi Boone

**PRAY**  
*without ceasing*  
1 THESSALONIANS 5:17

### Habitat for Humanity

Please pray that this ministry will have the resources necessary to build safe, decent, and affordable houses for eligible families in Haywood County.

### Blue Ridge Health

Please pray that this organization will have the resources necessary to meet the needs of the uninsured in Haywood County.

### Haywood Christian Ministry

Please pray that this ministry will have the resources necessary to provide food, clothing, and financial assistance to those less fortunate in Haywood County.

### Child Development Center

Our center offers a preschool and childcare program which gives children ages 6 weeks to 6 years old the opportunity to grow and learn in Christian love. Please pray for the children and their parents as well as the CDC staff.

### Open Door Soup Kitchen

Please pray that this ministry will have the resources needed to offer hot meals, Christ-centered education programs, clothing assistance, and an ex-inmates and families program.

### Christian Women's & Men's Job Corps (LifeWorks)

This ministry helps women and men who have been dependent on government assistance to become more independent through mentoring and classes.

### Haywood Pathways

Please pray for the homeless as well as the shelter staff and volunteers. Please also pray that resources needed will be sufficient to continue providing this much needed ministry.

**Please pray for Rev. Christi Hollifield as she and her family transition to Waynesville from Marion.**



Send your prayer requests via email to  
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OR joyce@fbcwaynesville.org

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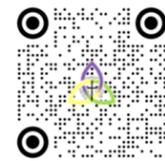
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### MISSION & VISION

**MISSION** - To make disciples, united in worship and service.  
**VISION** - To embody Christ, loving all people and introducing them to the God we love.

# The HERALD



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## May 2021

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 8:30am - 5:00pm; Friday - 8:30am - 12:30pm

# Introducing

**Our new Pastor  
for Children,  
Students, & Families**

### Reverend Christi Hollifield

holds a Masters of Divinity degree in Spiritual Formation from Gardner-Webb University, School of Divinity in Boiling Springs, North Carolina. Prior to joining the FBC Waynesville family, Christi served as Minister with Children and Families at FBC Marion, North Carolina. She also serves on the Executive Board for Baptist Women in Ministry of North Carolina.

Christi is married to Chris and has two children, Abbey and Graeme. Christi and family have lived all over the state, but have resided the longest in Western North Carolina. She loves spending time laughing with her family, loving on her dogs, exercising, and playing in her flower garden.



April 26, 2021

Dr. Robert Prince  
Pastor of First Baptist Waynesville  
100 South Main Street  
Waynesville, NC 28786

Dear Robert and Congregation,

I want to take this opportunity to formally accept the position as Pastor for Children, Students, and Families at FBC Waynesville. It has been an honor and privilege to meet such an inviting and supportive congregation. My family and I have felt nothing but warmth and acceptance throughout this process.

I look forward to beginning my position effective Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021. I greatly appreciate all the prayers and well wishes for me and my family as we move forward in transitioning to the area. It has been wonderful to make connections with folks already and we look forward to being a part of the FBC Waynesville family.

Many blessings and much love,

Reverend Christi Hollifield  
Reverend Christi Hollifield, M.Div.

### An excerpt from Christi's spiritual autobiography...

"I consider myself a life time learner and love sharing my knowledge with others to guide their spiritual and emotional walks. That is where I find myself today, wanting to reach out to others as they are searching for Christ and growing in their life. I want to expand myself to live more fully into the talents and gifts God has blessed me with all while learning and growing too."



## Happy Work Anniversary!

Mary Ann Cooper  
23 years - May 1, 2021

## From Dr. Prince...

It's my pleasure to announce to you that our church voted by an overwhelming margin to call Christi Hollifield as our Pastor for Children, Youth, and Families. She and her family have unanimously accepted our call! Her acceptance letter is printed on the front page in this edition of the Herald.

Christi is going to be a great addition to our church staff! She plans to begin her work with us on June 6. Please pray for her and our church as we begin to work together to make disciples in our community and world!

On May 2, we're going to make several steps forward in our process of coming back on campus. First, we're going to resume having one unified worship service at 10:00 a.m. You won't need to register to attend. But we are going to ask you to register when you arrive. We will also continue to require wearing masks and distancing.

Second, we're going to start recording our on-campus worship service for our livestream. Our worship services will continue to appear on Facebook and YouTube, but they won't be live. They'll appear on Monday or Tuesday.

Third, our choir will be live. Instead of projecting a recording, we'll have the choir present and singing! Our 100 South Main Worship Band will be live later this month.

Fourth, youth and adult Sunday School classes and small groups will resume meeting on campus. Some groups have already begun, but a majority will be underway on May 2.

We'll phase in other Sunday morning things in future weeks. Children's ministry will probably resume June 6. Connections Coffeehouse will resume later that month.

Prayerfully, by the end of June, we'll have our full Sunday morning schedule going!

These are exciting times in our church. Please pray for us all as we seek to resume being physically present with each other!

*Robert*

**Class of 2021**  
  
**Are you graduating from High School this year?**

If you are graduating from High School this year, please let the office know [(828) 456-9465]. Also, please submit a photo to the office for scanning or send a photo in a .jpg file to: [joyce@fbcwaynesville.org](mailto:joyce@fbcwaynesville.org)

## Our neighbors as ourselves...

# WMS Partnership

**NO** food items are needed for the rest of this school year; however, monetary contributions will continue to be accepted. Please note on your check: **WMS**. FBC was able to support WMS students in need throughout the past year because of your generous donations. Thank you.

*The shoe collection to raise funds for assisting needy students at WMS has been extended until May 15. You can drop off new or gently used shoes (any style - any size) in the entry-way of the church offices. Look for the box labeled "Waynesville Middle School."*



**PLEASE** donate any kind of non-perishable food... flour, sugar, cornmeal, rice, pasta, oatmeal, instant mashed potatoes, spaghetti sauce, canned fruit, meat, and vegetables, dried beans, canned soup, etc. are needed. Thank you for your continued support of this vital ministry in our community!

## Coming Soon!

**WHAT? Holy Cow Food Truck**

**WHEN? May 12th**

**TIME? 11am - 2pm**

**WHERE? HERE (in our Parking Lot)**

**Check out the menu:**

[Holy Cow Food Truck - Home](#) | [Facebook](#)

**Holy Cow** is a social enterprise venture to help support the financial needs of Haywood Pathways as they provide emergency shelter and short-term housing as well as supportive services to those experiencing homelessness in Haywood County.



## In our prayers...

### April 2021 Prayer Concerns

*Christian sympathy and love are extended to Opal Rochester in the loss of her daughter, Joan.*

*Christian sympathy and love are extended to Shandra Claxton in the loss of her daughter, Sheila.*

### HOSPITALIZED

Bob Dolman

### RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED

Barbara Gaddy

### RECENT OUTPATIENT SURGERY

Faith Woods



**Jesse & Nancy Fowler**-35 Lodge Lane, Waynesville 28786

**Betty Fender**-100 Park Drive, Waynesville 28786



**Michelle Agostini**  
 3919 Foxridge Drive  
 Valdosta, GA 31605  
*(Granddaughter of Gene & Estelle Stewart)*

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 PSC480 Box 13  
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*(Grandson of Opal Rochester)*

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*(Son of Bennie & Gale Roberts)*

**SPC Cody R. Willis**  
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*(Grandson of Sue Willis)*



Call Char Avrunin for more information at: (828) 456-9197

Mondays, 1:00-4:00pm, Drawing  
 Tuesdays, 1:00-4:00pm, Painting

### DEACON OF THE WEEK - MAY 2021

May 2: Sarah Belle Tollison  
 May 9: John Ottinger  
 May 16: Bill Nolte  
 May 23: Judy Pettigrew  
 May 30: Chip Hendricks



Charlotte Marie King  
 born April 6 ~ 3 lbs. 15 oz.  
**PROUD GRANDPARENTS:**  
 Robert & Mary Ann Cooper  
**PROUD PARENTS:**  
 Dustin & Kristen Cooper King



Proud parents,  
 Michael & Ashley Zande  
 on the birth of their son,  
 Elliot William Zande  
 born on April 7 ~ 7 lbs. 5 oz.  
 Proud grandparents are  
 Bob & Diane Dolman



## Financial Report - March 2021

### MINISTRY RESOURCE PLAN (MRP)

MRP Receipts Needed: \$ 158,344.03  
 MRP Offering Received: \$ 136,270.50  
 Total MRP Receipts: \$ 137,918.71

Date	Worship (COVID-19)	Sunday School (Zoom)
03/07		80
03/14		65
03/21		73
03/28		67

### Special Gifts for March 2021

#### GIFTS TO HECK-JONES:

~ Larry Ammons gave a gift in honor of Judy Pettigrew.  
 ~ Linda Downey gave a gift in memory of her sister, Marlene Clark.

#### GIFTS IN MEMORY OF LOUISE NELSON:

~ Tony & Norma Caudle gave a gift to the Music Ministry.  
 ~ Jim & Laura McFayden gave a gift to the Music Ministry.  
 ~ Mike & Vicki Gordon gave a gift to the Music Ministry.  
 ~ Ray & Earleen Hyde gave a gift to the Music Ministry.  
 ~ Patty Johnson gave a gift to the Music Ministry.  
 ~ Jean Stahl gave a gift to the Tech Ministry.  
 ~ Mike & Rachel Smith gave a gift to the budget in memory of Louise Nelson.  
 ~ Bud and Alatha Cantrell gave a gift to the budget in memory of Louise Nelson.

~ Deborah Mahaley gave a gift in honor of 100 South Main Band.

~Linda Downey gave a gift to Annie Armstrong in memory of her sister, Marlene Clark.



### IMPORTANT FINANCIAL INFORMATION...

The First Quarter Giving Statements have been emailed to the email addresses we have on file. If you do not have an email address, your giving statement was mailed to you. If you have not received your First Quarter Giving Statement at all, please call the church office at (828) 456-9465. If you have any questions regarding your pledge or your gifts, please contact Faith Woods.