

Legacy Square Recommendation Approved

The church approved the recommendation to redevelop our Legacy Square parking lot by a vote of 259-3 (99%).

Deacon Confirmation – This Sunday, August 13

The following men were selected by the church to serve as deacons for the next three years: Boyce Couch, Len Newman, Gil Stewart, Victor Whitworth, and Andy Williams. The church will vote to confirm these men as our new deacons this Sunday morning, August 13.

International Student Ministry Opportunity

Jon Varner leads a ministry to international students at Clemson University. (It is a Southern Baptist missions ministry.) He is asking for volunteers from area churches to provide transportation for international students from airports (Greenville-Spartanburg, Charlotte, or Atlanta) to their apartment in Clemson. For more information, please look inside



A Weekly Newsletter for the Family and Friends of Pickens First Baptist

- All Church Members.....Ministers
- Fred Stone (859-5853).....Senior Pastor
- Bryan Hester (704-4802).....Worship & Associate Pastor
- Jeff Rafferty (607-8306).....Discipleship & Missions Pastor
- Mike Sterlachini (395-5880).....Student & Family Pastor
- Jennifer Hendrix (449-5381).....Preschool Director
- Katie Freeman.....Financial Secretary
- Tricia McJunkin.....Church Secretary

Church Phone: 864-878-6564 Website: www.fbcpickens.org

Office Hours: 8:30 AM – 5 PM, Monday – Thursday

8:30 AM – 12:30 PM, Friday



Promotion Sunday!
This year's Sunday School Promotion Sunday will be August 20th!

**Please consider serving an international student this summer.
It's as easy as driving!**

Jon Varner, missionary to international students at Clemson University, has identified **the number 1 need** in his ministry as being arrival assistance. According to Jon, "To effectively share the Good News about Jesus, we must first serve during the time of greatest need. When we serve with the Love of Jesus, hearts are opened to the message of the Gospel. Assisting new students as they arrive is both **the number 1 need** of International Students and **the best way** to establish long-term, trusting relationships."

Students will be arriving soon! Please register TODAY! Help serve them well.
Here are 2 ways you can help:

- 1) Pick up students at the airport and help them get settled at their new apartment
- 2) Pick up at the airport and provide temporary housing and assistance navigating the Clemson area rental market, etc.

Registration Form: <http://bit.ly/ATLqsp2C> (Form allows you to describe availability, vehicle capacity, etc.)

Fall Discipleship Classes:

Fall Discipleship Classes will begin soon! Please review class descriptions below and sign-up for a class today, so that we will be sure to have enough workbooks for everyone. Unless otherwise noted, classes will begin on Sunday, September 10th at 6:00 p.m.

Tell Someone: You Can Share the Good News

Evangelism has become overcomplicated. The gospel is not a formula, program, or a sales pitch. It is not about winning an argument. It's about winning a soul. Evangelism is simply telling two stories: yours and Jesus'. And everyone loves stories. You can do this! Greg Laurie, one of the nation's most prominent pastors and evangelists, will help you discover the joy of evangelism as the good news of Jesus naturally overflows into your daily life.

Location: Sanctuary

Facilitator: Fred Stone

Financial Peace University

A Biblically based curriculum that teaches people how to manage money God's Way. You will learn how to put together a spending plan that really works, step-by-step plan on how to get out of debt, how to confidently invest for the future, and much more.

Location: E357

Facilitator: Andrew and Megan Shipman

Bible Study Methods and Rules of Interpretation

As many as 80% of the pastors around the world have no formal biblical training. Therefore, Dennis Mock (former Minister of Education under Charles Stanley) developed a ten course curriculum to train pastors and church leaders all over the world. Using this curriculum, PFBC has been working to establish a Bible Training Center for Pastors and Church Leaders in Lima, Peru. The first of these studies is "Bible Study Methods and Rules of Interpretation." The content of this course is not only good for pastors, but every Christian can benefit from knowing how to better study their bibles. If you have an interest in being a better student of the Word, learning how to dig deeper into the Word of God, or how to better understand the scriptures and apply them to your lives, then this class is for you!

Location: E102

Facilitator: Jim Gilstrap

Praying With Paul

It's doubtful that there is any Christian who has not sometimes found it difficult to pray. It is not surprising, because we are still pilgrims with many lessons to learn; it is not depressing, because struggling with such matters is part of the way we learn. God wants his people to know him more intimately, says author D.A. Carson. The apostle Paul found the kind of spiritual closeness in his own fellowship with the Father that is available to all of us. Praying with Paul leads group members into the Epistles to see what Paul taught in his "school of prayer." Group members will be exposed to the priorities of prayer, a God-centered framework for prayer, and practices for a more meaningful and dynamic prayer life. Christians today can still achieve the confidence Paul enjoyed by following his life-shaping principles and searching for a deeper devotional experience.

Location: E106

Facilitator: Lisa Hiott

What Jesus Demands From The World

A thoughtful examination of Jesus' demands reveals a compelling yet personal portrait of Jesus Christ in the Scriptures. The four Gospels are filled with demands like "be born again," "love your God," and "lay up treasures." Far from harsh demands originating from a selfish desire to control, Jesus' words are more a clarion call of urgency—loving directions for our good and ultimate satisfaction. In fact, what Jesus demands from the world can be summed up as, "Trust and treasure me above all." This is good news!

Location: E357

Facilitator: Jeff Rafferty

Men's Study

Unfolded: The Story of God

Most of us are familiar with the great stories of Scripture – Noah's Ark, David and Goliath, Daniel in the Lions' Den, and so forth. Yet, we can go a lifetime appreciating these stories and still miss the truth that all of them are telling the one great story of God's redemption. We can admire these great heroes of faith, but not understand that they all point to the greatest hero, Jesus.

Location: S111

Facilitator: Boyce Couch

Student Ministry News by Mike

Back-to-School School Bash

On Sunday, August 13 from 4:00pm-7:00pm, our Student Ministry will be hosting a back-to-school bash for all youth, rising sixth graders, and their families at High Falls County Park. Each family is asked to bring an appetizer OR dessert AND a two-liter of soda. The Student Ministry will provide all of the hamburgers and hot dogs you can eat! Activities will include water skiing, tubing, swimming, miniature golf, boat rides, volleyball, corn hole, and more! This is a free event but each vehicle will have to pay to park.



Annual Youth Parent Meeting

Our annual youth parent meeting will be Sunday, September 10 at 4:00pm in the Xchange. At this meeting we will go over the 2017/2018 youth event calendar, review what your students will be studying for the next year, assign chaperones, and answer any questions you may have.

Fifth Quarter

After the PHS football game on Friday, August 25, our youth group will host a community-wide Fifth Quarter event in the Xchange. It will be from 10:00pm-12:00am and include games, prizes, and free food. Its purpose is to provide a safe place for teenagers to hang out after the game and hear the Gospel.



Thank you so much to everyone who has volunteered to help serve in the preschool department this next year. I still need some help on Wednesday evenings from 6:15 to 7:15 with the babies to two-year-olds. This would be a 6 week rotation. If you are able to help during that time, please contact me by email, text, or a phone call.

Counting Committee

August 13: Joe Dunn, Chr.; Milledge Cassell; Roger Smith

August 20: Don Shuman, Chr.; Zander Clarkson; David Harper

House Attendant, Prayer

August 13: Joe Dunn

August 20: Jimmy Dickard

Prayer Room Schedule - August 13

Prayer Room - 878-PRAY (7729)

9:15 am - Pamela Clarkson

10:30 am - Jeff Turner

6:00 pm - No Evening Service

Ushers For August

8:00 a.m. Service

Roger Smith, Grp Ldr

Mark Hunt

C. David Stone

Larry Martin

10:30 a.m. Service

Bobby Day, Grp Ldr

Brett Satterfield

Chip Dunn

Alan Warner

Chad Blackston

Chris Keasler

Jimmy Boling

Jerry Couch

Greeters - "Hello, How Are You Today?"

August 13: Door #1, Mac & Yvonne Bolding

Door #2, Carolyn Stancell

August 20: Door #1, George & Shirley Lovinggood

Door #2, Ellen Brown

Security Team Rotation Assignment

The Month Of August

Team B (E)

Gil Stewart, Ldr.

Joe Dunn

David Eller

Michael Hendrix

Team B (L)

Chad Brooks

Gene Hinkle

Alex Edwards

Zan Clarkson

Janice Clarkson

Billy Alexander

Preschool Worship Volunteers

10:30 a.m. Service

August 13: Babies, Mendel & Janice Stewart; 1's, Vicky Hedden & Lisa Hiott; 2's, Tim & Susan Borow & Ashley Clardy; 3's, Tom & Jennifer Lehman; 4's & K5's, Pamela Clarkson & Erin Hunter

August 20: Babies, Jeff & Kelly Turner; 1's, Len & Lori Newman; 2's, Boyce & Loree Couch; 3's, Austin & Olivia Blakley; 4's & K5's, Tim & Deana McNulty

Wednesday Night Service & Choir (Babies - Two's) (6:15-7:15 p.m.)

August 16: Paula Welborn & Kim Rogers

August 23: Sydney Cox & Becca Willis

Bryan's Notes

Adult Choir and Orchestra Rehearsals Have Resumed.

Orchestra begins at 6:45 pm and the Adult Choir joins at 7:15 pm in the sanctuary. We would love to have some new faces singing and playing music to lead our congregation in worship. If you would like to know more, please contact me as soon as possible!

Discipleship and Missions News from Jeff Continued

Women's Studies

Believing Jesus: A Journey Through the Book of Acts

This 8 session study retraces the steps of the apostles in the book of Acts. The Disciples did not have much of a road map after Jesus ascended to heaven, but God's grace and spirit filled in the gaps as they moved forward. It required their willingness to risk everything to establish a new community that would change the future world. Are you willing to risk everything?

Begins: Tues., Sept. 19th

Facilitator: Judy Holder and Helen Batson

Location: E250

Time: 9:00 a.m.

When Godly People Do UnGodly Things

Believers are still subject to Satan's attacks. He is determined to disrupt the lives of Christians, destroy their ministry, and steal their joy. Sadly, those who have "fallen" may not recognize the devil's schemes until they have already been caught in a snare of defeat. This six-week study is written in three parts. The first part is a warning to believers, while the second part shows women how to prepare for attacks by the enemy. The third part is directed to those who have been snared by seduction, and compassionately points the way back to God.

Begins: Tues., August 29th

Facilitator: Ida Breazeale

Location: E357

Time: 9:00 a.m.

IN BRIEF

Congratulations to Tim and Susan Borow on the birth of their son, Isaac Blair Borow, on Sunday, July 30, 2017. Congratulations to big brother, TJ, and big sisters, Arriana and Laney, also!

Duffels for Foster Kids

Please donate duffel bags for our foster kids. A flyer is in your SS attendance folder and placed on bulletin boards & in the vestibule for ideas on what to put in the bag. Last year we donated 25 bags & \$100 to this special group of children. Collection will end August 31, 2017. Thank you for helping us!



Homebound Ministry Birthdays For August

Mary Lark - August 1st

Mary Foster - August 3rd

Remember Our Homebound

Please notify the church office if you or a family member would like to be added to our homebound or in-care facility lists.



Prayer Changes Things

Prayer Points

Cornakry, Guinea

Workers recently began an evangelism training program in their local church. The believers are excited about the new tools they are acquiring. Pray for opportunities and for boldness to use what they are learning to reach out to those around them.

Baptist conventions of the Central Sahel. Give thanks for the godly men leading in the churches, associations and conventions in this area of West Africa. Pray for vision and passion as the lead the church to the unreached peoples of their countries.

JULA of BURKINA FASO

Pray for the church plant in the village of Komara. Ask God to grow their community and that they will stand firm in the face of persecution.

THIS WEEK AT PICKENS FBC

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13

8:00 am - First Worship Service
9:15 am - Sunday School
10:30 am - Second Worship Service
11:30 am - PHS Football Team Luncheon, FH
4:00 - Youth Back To School Bash @ High Falls
6:00 - No Evening Service

MONDAY, AUGUST 14

7:00 - Deacons Meeting, Rooms S111

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15

6:00 - Pickens United In Prayer, Legacy Square

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16

6:15 - Nursery, Mission Friends, TeamKid
6:30 - Adult Bible Study & Prayer Service;
Youth, Xchange
6:45 - Orchestra Rehearsal
7:15 - Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17

6:00 am - Men's Prayer Group,
FH
School Starts
12:00 - New Bible Study @ Café
Connections



FRIDAY, AUGUST 18

Xchange in Use

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19

Xchange in Use



The rosebud is placed in the church today in honor of Isaac Blair Borow, son of Tim and Susan Borow, who was born on Sunday, July 30, 2017.



Attention Everyone!!!

***** Missed a Sunday Morning Service? *****

Go to our web page, www.fbcpickens.org and click on the Sermons tab to listen to past Sunday Morning Sermons.

FACTS & FIGURES

July 30th

Sunday School - 264
Offering - \$30,853.00
Offering To Date - \$708,761.00
Goal to Date - \$700,575.00

Building Fund: \$246,805.06

Thank you for worshipping with us Today!

Please complete, tear off, and place in offering plate.

Name _____

Address _____

Today's Date _____ Single _____ Married _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Children's Names & Ages _____

I came as a guest of _____

My church membership _____

Age Group: ___ Middle School ___ High School ___ College
 ___ 20-29 ___ 30-39 ___ 40-49 ___ 50-59 ___ 60-69 ___ 70 +

Please check the appropriate box:

___ First Time Guest ___ Returning Guest ___ New to Area
___ Seeking Church Home ___ Would like to know more about Pickens First Baptist
___ Would like to know more about becoming a Christian

Welcome to Pickens First Baptist Church

Sunday, August 13, 2017

M
O
R
N
I
N
G
W
O
R
S
H
I
P

Pre-Service Music

Opening Songs

Doxology
This Is Amazing Grace
The Student Praise Band

Prayer

Welcome and Greeting Of Guests

In This Holy Hour
Small Group Ensemble (8:00 a.m.)
Adult Choir and Orchestra (10:30 a.m.)

The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief corner-stone. This was the Lord's doing; It is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day the Lord has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Psalm 118:22-24

Congregational Song

In Christ Alone

Offertory Prayer.....Joe Dunn

Offertory

Message From God's Word.....Pastor Fred Stone

Song of Commitment

Hymn No. 139 *At The Cross*

Prayer

Closing Song

Helen Batson, Pianist Ladell Crenshaw, Keyboardist
William Reece, Organist

Pickens First Baptist Church exists to be a Worshiping, Evangelizing, Learning, and Loving (W.E.L.L.) family of faith to the glory of God. (Mt. 28:18-20; Acts 2:42-47; 1 Cor. 10:31).

Considering Membership in Pickens FBC?

Attend the next Discovery Class: Sunday Morning, August 13, 9:15 AM in the Parlor (near the church office) or contact Fred Stone: 878-6564 or fred@fbcpickens.org

The Discovery Class is designed to help anyone considering membership "discover" more about Pickens FBC and what is involved in becoming a member. (Attending the class does not obligate you to join the church.) It is for adults and students (high school and middle school), but parents are welcome to bring their younger children with them. The class meets the second Sunday of each month. Sign-ups are required.

If you prefer to meet with the pastor in your home or his office, please contact him (878-6564 or fred@fbcpickens.org) to schedule a time.

Please sign up for the next Discovery Class by Sunday, August 6 using the form below or the pastor's contact information above.

Tear off and place in the offering plate

Discovery Class Sign-Up for August 13 @ 9:15 AM in the Church Parlor

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____