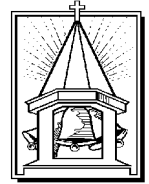


The Chimes



*"Strength from the past...
Boldness for the future"*

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This Week's Calendar

Sunday, October 26, 2008

- *9:00am Sunday School
- 9:45 Prayer Time in the Pastor's Office
- *10:15 Morning Worship Service
Children's Church (age 4 - gr. 2)
- 5:00pm Children's Choirs; Youth Alive
Care/Outreach Ministry Meeting
Heritage Day Committee Meeting
- 5:45 Men's Choir Rehearsal
- *6:00 Evening Worship Service

Tuesday, October 28

- 7:00am Men's Bible Study-Mama Maecee's
Ladies' Bible Study-Mama Mae.
- 6:30pm Adult Praise Band Rehearsal

Wednesday, October 29

- *6:15pm Prayer Time & Bible Study
- 6:30 AWANA; Youth Bible Studies
- *7:00 Adult Choir Rehearsal
Youth Praise Band Rehearsal

Friday, October 31

- 7:00am Youth at American Hero
- * nursery provided for ages 4 & under ((except for
Sunday morning worship - ages 3 & under)*

Records & Finances - October 19, 2008

Sunday School Attendance

Loris First Baptist Church..... 251

Loris Extended Care Center..... 37

Sunday Morning Worship Attendance. 295

Tithes & Offerings

Budget Required Weekly... \$10,267.71

Budget Receipts This Week.. 10,948.38

Weekly Reimbursements. 344.45

Weekly Designations. 645.00

BUDGET REQUIREMENTS YTD. \$431,243.82

BUDGET RECEIPTS YTD. 418,140.96

AMOUNT UNDER BUDGET..... \$13,102.86

% BUDGET FUNDED YTD. 97%

Sunday Morning Sermon

*"Living in the Power of God's Spirit:
The Ministry of the Spirit - Part 3"*
John 14:16-17,26; 15:26; 16:13-14

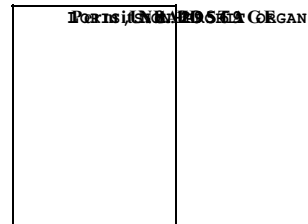
FROM OUR ASSOCIATE PASTOR

As we approach the coming election in a few days, we are seeing a huge amount of attention being given to candidates and political parties. All forms of media are flooding us with election coverage. Yes, I have been listening and reading about candidates and their views. I have watched the debates.

Maybe you are tired of all the campaign rhetoric and publicity. Maybe you will just be glad when Election Day is over. But let me encourage you as a Christian to not grow tired or weary. Why? Because Jesus told his followers that they were responsible to be *"salt & light to the world"* (Matt. 5:13-16). We must engage the culture and participate in civic affairs (Matt. 22:21).

Consider these things happening in our culture today: 1) The biblical concept of marriage as being between one man and one woman being threatened 2) Human life being devalued 3) Ungodly values being presented as entertainment 4) References to our Judeo-Christian heritage being removed 5) The need to insure that all Americans' religious liberty is protected.

These are only a few issues that we as Christians have the responsibility to address. For me, I have to vote my values which are based on the bible. My faith will direct my decisions and not slick campaign ads or emotional appeals by politicians who want my vote. I hope you will vote your values when (not if) you go to the polls. And do not grow weary in standing up for them. *- Edgar*





**Operation
Christmas Child
Shoebboxes for Children**

What a wonderful opportunity to bring hope and joy to a hurting child! Again this year, the WMU is supporting Samaritan's Purse in giving needy children around the world a shoebox filled with gifts.

- Step 1:* Choose the age category and gender of a child. (2-4, 5-9, or 10-14 years old)
- Step 2:* Wrap a shoebox in Christmas colors (lid separate) and fill with toys, hard candy, school supplies, and hygiene items. (Suggested items listed below)
- Step 3:* Enclose \$7 or a check to Loris First Baptist Church to cover shipping costs. Tape label to box lid - "boy" or "girl" - and age.
- Step 4:* Pray for the child who receives your gift box.

Deadline: Sunday, November 9
Goal: 100 shoebox gifts

Suggested items are:

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| small cars/trucks | |
| dolls/stuffed animals | Slinky |
| toy jewelry | rubber balls |
| coloring books/crayons | jump ropes |
| pencils/sharpeners | toothpaste |
| washcloths | socks |
| hard candy | t-shirts |

*(No liquids, lotion, aerosols,
food, glass, chocolate,
war-related items, medications, knives)*

Any questions, call Babb at 756-6466.

We welcome to our church membership Kathy Pinney, who comes by letter from Lee Road Baptist Church in Taylors, S. C.

Volunteers - Sunday, October 26

Nursery: Chris & Cindy Hardwick
Children's Church: Reba & Sylvia Hardee
Youth Snacks: Austin Prince

Volunteers - Wednesday, October 29

Awana Food: Youth

**HERITAGE DAY
Sunday, November 2**

The Heritage Day Committee would like to present pictures from the past before the service on November 2. If you have pictures that were taken in church or at church functions, please place them in a clasp envelope with your name on them and give them to the church office or Edgar or a member of the Heritage Day Committee before Monday, October 27. Your photos will be returned and a DVD of all photos will be available on Heritage Day. Time is short and we hope you will help make this day special!

**Our Heritage Day Offering
for our Debt Retirement
Our goal: \$50,000.00**



A Reminder: All information, articles, etc. to be printed in the weekly Chimes needs to be turned in to the church secretary by no later than Tuesday noon!

**YOUTH
COME AS YOU ARENT
to the aMALting Race**

*When: October 31
Where: It's a surprise!*

*Meet at the church at 6:30pm
Back at the church at midnight*

Prizes for winning team, best individual costume, best team costume, & other prizes - - no inappropriate or scary costumes - - contact Amber for more info!



**DAY OF PRAYER
Wednesday, October 29**

The Loris Interfaith Task Force (LIFT) is an organization composed of members and clergy from churches across the Loris area. LIFT is deeply concerned about the severe political, economic, and moral issues facing our country and our world. As a result, LIFT is calling on all people of faith in the Loris area to set aside Wednesday, October 29, 2008 as a Day of Prayer for our community, our nation, and our world. The First Presbyterian Church, located at 5435 Main Street in Loris, will serve as a gathering place throughout the day for individuals who wish to pray. The sanctuary at First Presbyterian will be open from 7:00am to 6:00pm for this purpose. Please join in prayer with LIFT on October 29. Make time to come by and pray sometime during the day!