Spilman Memorial Baptist Church 601 Madison Avenue Kinston, NC 28501

> FEBRUARY 2022 TIE NEWSLETTER

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February Music Update

It is hard to believe that February is already upon us! Hopefully February will be nothing but smooth sailing. We missed two services due to inclement weather. I look forward to having the music department back in full swing during this month.

We have begun our search for a new pianist. Please pray for us as we search for the best candidate for our church. We are so thankful for Ms. MICHAEL COWAN MUSIC DIRECTOR

Michelle and her willingness to continue to help us out with each service. Her talents are such a blessing. I would also like to thank Johnnee Rice for always being willing to step in whenever we need her.

There will be new office hours for 2022 in the music department. I will be in the office every Tuesday from 5:00-7:00pm and from 12:00-4:00pm every Sunday. Please feel free to drop in any time and meet with me if you have any questions about the Music department.

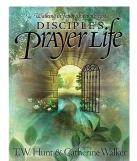
As always, there is an open invitation for anybody who would like to join the choir. We practice every Sunday afternoon from 2:00-3:00.

Until Next Time, Michael Cowan Director of Music



Prayer Ministry

The Long Range Planning Committee identified a key area to which Spilman needs to give attention as we move forward in planning for our future.



Prayer is the key in keeping ourselves and our church connected to God and His will for our lives and our church. One of the things Jesus' disciples asked Him was "Lord, teach us to pray." Luke 11:1.

To help put prayer back at the center of our relationship with God, I would like to invite anyone that feels called, to join me in a 13-week intentional study on prayer. This will involve weekly meetings (1-1½ hours), scripture memorization, and daily readings.

If you are interested in beginning a new journey in walking in fellowship with God, then see Dr. Dew. We will begin our journey in February.



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Connecting you with the body of Christ at Spilman Memorial Baptist Church

FEBRUARY 2022

CHURCH STAFF

Dr. H. Powell Dew, Jr., Senior Pastor
Michell Sutton Eguez, Administrative Assistant
Michael Cowan, Director of Music and Organist
Michael Eguez, Pianist
Michael and Vance Aldridge, Custodians
Michelle Sutton, Finance Assistant
Jerry Crisp, Security

The Love of God

Many individuals in the world view God as unloving or uncaring. The scientist Isaac Newton thought that when God created the universe, He simply wound it up like a manual clock and then sat back and watched the laws of nature unfold and guide creation. If this is true, then God would appear to be unconcerned about our life's circumstances.

The Bible speaks of God as being outside of His creation, but He is intimately involved in His creation. John chapter one speaks of our God as one that is with us. "In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, and the glory of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth." God came in the flesh to dwell among us. He now dwells among us through the Holy Spirit.



DR. H. POWELL DEW, JR.

The purpose of Christ's coming was to reconcile us back to God. Because of our sin, we were estranged from God. As we turned from our sin, repented, and accepted Christ as our Savior, the Bible describes us now as "being in Christ." The wrath of God is no longer an issue because we have been forgiven and adopted into the family of God.

Romans 8:35 asks the question, "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?" The answer is found in verses 38-39. "(nothing) shall be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

The vastness of God's love is often hard for us to comprehend. We once were condemned because of our sin, now we are forgiven because of our faith in Jesus Christ. We once were on the outside, now we are welcomed.

F. M. Lehman expresses it best in the 1917 hymn,

"The Love of God."



The love of God is greater far, than tongue or pen can ever tell; It goes beyond the highest star, and reaches to the lowest hell; The guilty pair, bowed down with care, God gave His Son to win; His erring child He reconciled, and pardoned from his sin.

Chorus:

O love of God, how rich and pure! How measureless and strong! It shall forever more endure the saints' and angels' song.

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Covid Update by Donna Keith

Covid has been very active in Lenoir County. UNC Lenoir hospital has more than 24 patients with Covid. There have also been several deaths due to Covid.



Make sure you wash your hands and wear masks when appropriate.

DON'T SPREAD GERMS WASH YOUR HANDS

There is testing, vaccines, and boosters available at the PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS Fairfield Recreation Center. This is being done by StarMed out of Jacksonville. It is free. They also have

rapid tests and PCR tests where you can get your results in 48 hours.

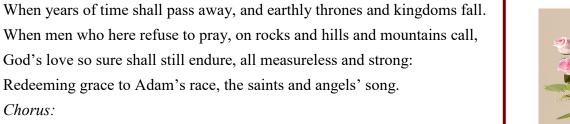








The Love of God (cont. from p. 1)



Could we with ink the ocean fill, and were the skies of parchment made, Were every stalk on earth a quill, and every man a scribe by trade, To write the love of God above, would drain the oceans dry; Nor could the scroll contain the whole, Tho' stretched from sky to sky. Chorus:

If you have not experienced the vastness of God's love in your life, maybe it is time you surrendered to God and let Him become the Master. In our own strength we will fail. But with God, we can join with the saints and sing of "The Love of God."



Deacon of the Month Jerry Crisp

Jerry grew up in the Hudson/Lenoir area of Western NC. He is a

proud fan and graduate of NCSU. Jerry and Beth have been married for 43 years. They are the very proud parents of a daughter, son and son-inlaw. They are equally proud grandparents of 2 granddaughters.

Jerry is the chairman of the deaconate and one of several individuals that keep the sound booth running on Sunday mornings. Jerry can also be spotted in the evenings checking the church to see that all lights are off, thermostats are properly set, and all doors are locked.



Sunday, Feb. 6, 2022 8:00 AM

Sunday School 9:15 AM **Worship Service** 10:30 AM The Lord's Supper Observed **Choir Practice** 2:00 PM

February 2022 **Birthdays**



- 1 LORETTA SKEENS
- 5 EARL KELLY
- 11 BETTY VALENTI
- 11 ISABELLE JONES
- 17 CARSON RICE
- **22 EDWIN DAWKINS**
- 27 RICHARD MOORE
- 28 MARSHA C. HUDSON

	FEBRUARY 2022	
FEB 2 (WED)	WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	3:00 PM
FEB 6 (SUN)	DEACONS MEETING	8:00 AM
	SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:15 AM
	WORSHIP SERVICE	10:30 AM
	THE LORD'S SUPPER OBSERVED	
	CHOIR PRACTICE	2:00 PM
FEB 8 (TUE)	LEADERSHIP MEETING	4:00 PM
FEB 9 (WED)	WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	3:00 PM
FEB 10 (THU)	REVITALIZATION CONFERENCE CARAWAY NC	
FEB 13 (SUN)	SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:15AM
	WORSHIP SERVICE	10:30 AM
	BAPTIST WOMEN'S SUNDAY	
	DONNA KEITH—GUEST SPEAKER	
	CHOIR PRACTICE	2:00 PM
	CHURCH CONFERENCE	3:00 PM
	NBA EXECUTIVE BOARD MTG	6:00 PM
FEB 14 (MON)	HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!	
	LONG RANGE PLANNING COMM	11:00 AM
FEB 16 (WED)	WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	3:00 PM
FEB 20 (SUN)	SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:15 AM
	WORSHIP SERVICE	10:30 AM
	CHOIR PRACTICE	2:00 PM
FEB 23 (WED)	WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	3:00 PM
FEB 27 (SUN)	SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:15 AM
	WORSHIP SERVICE	10:30 AM
	CHOIR PRACTICE	2:00 PM
FEB 28 (MON)	LONG RANGE PLANNING COMM	11:00 AM



Cleon Avery Lincke

September 8 1930—January 14, 2022

L. C. Carlton

August 16, 1934—January 20, 2022



FEBRUARY 2022 Sunday School Lessons GROWING IN DISCIPLESHIP

Feb 6th — Accepting the Challenge— Luke 5:1-11 Feb 13th — Developing an Eternal Perspective — Luke 6:17-26 Feb 20th — Becoming Merciful — Luke 6:27-38 Feb 27th — Learning from Jesus — Luke 9:28-43a



FEBRUARY 2 0 2 2 **BIBLE READING PLAN MONDAY—SATURDAY**

- 1 Leviticus 15-18
- 2 Leviticus 19-23
- 3 Leviticus 24-27
- 4 Num. 1-3
- 5 Num. 4-7 6 - No Reading
- 7 Num. 8-11
- 8 Num. 12-15
- 9 Num. 16-19
- 10 Num. 20-23
- 11 Num. 24-27
- 12 Num. 28-31 13 - No Reading
- 14 Num. 32-36
- 15 Deut. 1-3
- 16 Deut. 4-7
- 17 Deut. 8-11
- 18 Deut. 12-15
- 19 Deut. 16-19 20 - No Reading
- 21 Deut. 20-23
- 22 Deut. 24-27
- 23 Deut. 28-31
- 24 Deut. 32-34
- 25 Joshua 1-5
- 26 Joshua 6-9 27 - No Reading
- 28 Joshua 10-13