



# spencer church newsletter



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Rev. Joe Parsons



Rev. C.C. Matheny

This month we are going to spotlight two pastors, Reverend Joe Parsons and Reverend C.C. Matheny. Reverend Joe Parson became the third pastor in June 5, 1941. In 1942, the church auditorium was enlarged for the third time to have a seating capacity of 700. There was also the addition of twenty new Sunday School classrooms. A new Chickering Grand Piano was purchased in 1943. During Rev. Parsons' ministry, Mr. Rector Robbins was added to the church staff to serve as Music Director. During Mr. Robbins' ministry a Junior Choir was organized. When Mr. Robbins resigned to enter full time evangelistic song leading, Mr. J.A. Leslie was called to fill his place and served until 1945. Rev. Parsons had the heavy responsibility of serving Spencer Baptist Church during the years of World War II. His consecration to the will of God, his tender approach to the sinner's need, and his uncompromising stand for the gospel of Christ won the high esteem of not only the church members but the entire community. Rev. Parsons resigned on December 24, 1944.

The fourth pastor called by Spencer Baptist Church was Reverend C.C. Matheny. Rev. Matheny started his ministry on February 15, 1945. During Rev. Matheny's ministry a church bus was purchased to assist in the transportation of people to and from the church services. A station wagon was also purchased to transport ministerial students to and from Gardner-Webb College (now a university) during the years of critical gasoline and tire shortages. Rev. C.C. Matheny resigned on December 23, 1945 when he accepted Orphanage work in Jacksonville, Florida.



## Ice Cream Social

Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00pm

The church will provide the ice cream and toppings. You may bring other desserts if desired.



Most of our Rutherford County students will return to the classroom during the second week of August. To celebrate these new beginnings, we will recognize our children, youth, teachers, and other school personnel on Sunday, August 10, during morning worship. You will be able to take a prayer card that day, reminding you to pray for a specific student throughout this school year. During the service, we will also give new Bibles to our rising 1<sup>st</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders. It will be a special day for sure!



## Music Ministry Notes



Later this month, the **Adult Choir** will begin looking at Christmas Music! That's right – CHRISTMAS music!!! Now is a great time to consider joining the choir. We rehearse each Wednesday night from 7PM-8PM in the choir room. No prior experience is required. Come check us out!



The **Bells of Praise** will resume rehearsals on Sunday, August 24 at 9 AM in the Handbell Room (above the church office). If you have ever considered ringing with us, this is a great time to join. No prior handbell experience is required; however, ringers must understand the basics of reading music.

Join us in person or online. We are broadcasting our worship service live each Sunday at 11 AM on Facebook Live and on local radio WCAB 590 AM or 100.9 FM. Subscribe to our **YouTube** channel. Go to Youtube.com and search for Spencer Baptist Church. After you click on our church name, please click "subscribe."



**Our Church Staff** (828) 286-2355  
Pastor Bruce Caldwell  
Minister of Music & Education Kelly T. Settlemyre  
Youth Director Colby Fagan  
Administrative Assistant Linda Tribou  
Custodians Steve and Cheryl Koon  
Planiist Jay Seagrave



**Sunday Schedule for August\***  
10:00 – Life Groups for all ages  
11:00 – Morning Worship  
5:30 – Activities for Children & Youth  
\*Schedule is subject to change.



**August 3**  
Nell Brooks  
359 Forest Hills Circle  
Rutherfordton, NC 28139

**August 17**  
Lois Hodge  
1 Dixie Blvd  
Hendersonville, NC 28792

**August 10**  
Nora Greene  
Brookdale Assisted Living  
493 Piney Ridge Rd  
Forest City, NC 28043

**August 24**  
Anne Robbins  
250 Commerce Centre Dr  
Huntersville, NC 28078

**August 31**  
Dan Kurkendall  
139 Still Meadow Dr  
Rutherfordton, NC 28139



**Spindale House  
Back to School Bash!**  
Thursday, August 7<sup>th</sup>

3-6pm at the Spindale House

**This event is sponsored by WCAB**

Children who attend can receive: school supplies, haircuts, dental check-ups, bike helmets & safety info, lunch boxes and more.

**Spencer Church will be handing out free bottles of water! Volunteers are needed!!**



**Senior Adults Outing**  
Tuesday, August 12<sup>th</sup>  
10:15

We will leave the church at 10:15am to go to Strawberry Hill for brunch. We can get ice cream and produce also! See you then!!

**Senior Adult Evening Meal**  
Thursday, August 28<sup>th</sup>  
5:00pm

We will leave the church at 5:00pm to go to A.J's in Morganton to eat at the buffet. Hope you can join us for a great time of food and fellowship!



**Wee Worship...  
Can You Help?**

We are looking for a couple of people to lead Wee Worship once a month on a Sunday morning for kids in the PreK-2<sup>nd</sup> grade age range. You can volunteer for any number of months. Materials are provided! See Kelly or call the church office if you are interested in helping with Wee Worship!



**Attention College Students!!**

We do not want to miss any of our college students this school year as our Student of the Week! Please email or call the church office with your college information, such as, school, grade, major, and address, while you are in college. We would also like a current photo for our FB posts. The College Student of the Week emphasis will resume in September.

**REMINDER:** If you were awarded a Spencer Scholarship, please be sure to pick that up as soon as possible!



**Dear Spencer Church Family,**

Thank you so much for the awarded scholarship for college These funds will go to good use for my senior year at NC State. Much love, Stephen Scala



**August Item of the Month**

Did you know, in some countries, kids are not allowed to attend school if they don't have school supplies?! During the month of August, we will be collecting basic school supplies for OCC Shoeboxes. It's the perfect time to gather these items since they are on sale just about everywhere you go! Crayons, Pencils, Pencil Sharpeners, Pens, Markers, Notebooks [yes, they will fit in a box!], Scissors, Erasers, Glue STICKS, and more. Please NO liquid glue as it is not allowed. Let me know if you have any questions! The big red bin outside of the church office is designated to OCC. Thank You. -Kelly O.

*P.S. Don't forget we are also collecting supplies for our local children- Please see the specific needs the church has listed.*

**Church Safety &  
Security Training Opportunity**

Through classroom style presentation, this class will cover topics of concern for the modern-day church to include general church safety. **Course Title:** "Church Safety and Security Techniques and Concepts"

**Presented by:** Paul "Rob" Phelan Jr. MSCJ, MA-NC  
**When:** Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup> from 9am – 1pm (lunch provided)

**Where:** Main Street Baptist Church, Spindale.

*Please scan the QR code above to register.*



As stores begin to stock school supplies, we encourage you to think about our August mission project, which is providing appropriate supplies for school classrooms and students in our county. Look at the following list of items and pray about what you will be able to donate. Please only bring the specific items listed and put them in the black tote in the hallway in front of the choir room.

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| Glue Sticks    | #2 Pencils      | 24ct Crayons       |
| Child Scissors | Earbuds (wired) | Pencil Top Erasers |
| Sharpies       | Colored Pencils | Dry Erase Markers  |
| Highlighters   |                 |                    |



Serving will begin at 6pm in the Family Life Center.

**Please reserve your meals before noon on Tuesdays.**

*We need to know how many meals to prepare. Please call the church office or reserve your meals on our website or FB page. \*Menu subject to change*

**August 6:** Meatball Subs, Fruit, Chips  
**Prepared by: Come As You Are Class**

**August 13:** Loaded Nacho's  
**Prepared by: Spencer Deacon's**

**August 20:** Hot Dogs, Chili, Slaw, Fries  
**Prepared by: Spencer Youth**

**August 27:** Sloppy Joes, Chips, Fruit  
**Prepared by: Betty Head, Susan Shehan, Judy Huntsinger, Barbara Callahan**

**Nursery Volunteers**

We are looking for a few more volunteers to help in the nursery. If you are interested, please see Kelly Settlemyre.

**Nursery**

**August 3:** Kim Greene, Makalya Yelton, Emily Bradshaw

**August 10:** Tiffany Houser, Debbie & Scott Sims

**August 17:** Connie Hunt, Victoria Jenkins, Scarlett Hooper

**August 24:** Kelli & Alex Beavers, Jackie Connor, Drew Brooks

**August 31:** Heidi & David Odom, Karen LeBreche

**Safety & Security**

**August 3:** Dwayne Houser, Tyler Sims

**August 10:** Jeff Murray, Billy Waters

**August 17:** Greg Settlemyre, Garry Ankrom

**August 24:** Scott Sims, Glen Harmon

**August 31:** Doug Bright, Billy Conner

**Welcome & Bulletins**

**This Month:** Glen & Lisa Harmon

*\*If you cannot volunteer on your scheduled day, please arrange a substitute or call the church office*



**Caring Hearts Sewing Group**

The Caring Hearts sewing group will meet on Monday, August 4<sup>th</sup> 10:00am in the sewing room. Come and join us to receive a blessing!



**Stewardship Meeting:**

The Stewardship Committee will meet Tuesday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 6pm

**Deacon's Meeting**

Spencer Deacons will meet on Tuesday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.



**Circle of Sisters**

Circle of Sisters will not meet this month. Meetings will start back in September!



**Yokefellow Items for August  
Powdered Milk**

There is a gray tote outside the Chapel for you to give your donation. Thank You!

**Spencer Youth**

Keep an eye on the Sunday Bulletin for youth events this month! Colby has lots of fun events planned for Spencer Youth.

