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Custodians	Steve and Cheryl Koon
Pianist	Jay Seagrave



Sunday Schedule for September*

10:00 – Life Groups for all ages
11:00 – Morning Worship
5:30 – Activities for Children & Youth

**Schedule is subject to change.*

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Rev. Felix R. Wagner

This month the Pastor’s Spotlight is Reverend Felix R. Wagner. In February of 1946, Rev. Felix Wagner was secured as supply pastor after Rev. C. C. Matheny resigned in December 1945. In May of 1946, the congregation voted to accept Rev. Wagner as the fourth Pastor of Spencer.

During Rev. Wagner’s ministry, the church purchased two acres of valuable property in the eastern part of town in view of reserving it for a church building as the Lord directs in the future. However, the land was sold when Rev. Wagner became instrumental in building the new auditorium, seating about 900 which was finished in 1950 at a cost of \$85,000.

Rev. Elliott Ackerly was called to the church on July 21, 1946 to serve as Educational and Musical Director. Since living quarters could not be rented or purchased for Rev. Ackerly and his family, the church decided to build another parsonage on the church’s grounds. A new brick parsonage was erected within a short time, which increased the value of Spencer Baptist Church a great deal.

A milestone was reached when a new Wurlitzer Electric Organ was added to the church auditorium as a memorial to those who fought and gave their lives in World War II.

In 1951, Miss Suthell Walker, a native of Spindale, was called by the church as Director of Religious Education. One year after the completion of the new auditorium, Rev. Wagner and Rev. Ackerly resigned in 1951.



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Deacon Election

On Sunday Sept. 14th, each church member will have the opportunity to nominate up to 5 persons for office of Deacon. Be praying about who you will nominate. A member list will be available in the church office. Nominees must have been a member for at least one year.

You may nominate less than 5, but no more than 5 members of Spencer Church.

September 14th – Deacon Nomination
September 28th – Deacon Election

The purpose of deacons at Spencer Baptist Church shall be two-fold:

1. They shall actively assist the Ministerial Staff in service ministry to the members of the church.
2. They shall be responsible for establishing the policies of the church and overseeing the implementation and carrying out these policies.



New Wednesday Night Schedule!

A 30-minute change has been made to our Wednesday Night Schedule. This change will allow our members to have better ministry opportunities!

5:30 Supper Served

Donations for meals are greatly appreciated.

6:15 Sharing of Prayer Concerns

Announcements, Prayer Concerns & Celebrations, etc.

6:30 Bible Study Groups

Adult Bible Study, Youth Bible Study

*Grades 1-5: RA, GA – w/music rotation
*PreK – K: 30 min. choir; 30 min mission friends

7:30 Adult Choir

Rehearsal will end at 8:30



Sept. 7
Eugene Hardin
146 Brookstone Dr
Bermuda Run, NC 27006

Sept. 21
Maye Pruett
Fairhaven Bostic
149 Fairhaven Dr
Bostic, NC 28018

Sept. 14
Curtis Rice
577 S. Broadway
Forest City, NC 28043

Sept. 28
Joan McKeithan
Fairhaven Forest City
830 Bethany Church Rd
Forest City, NC 28043

College Student of the Week

Sept. 7
Alex Beavers
252 Pleasant St
Spindale, NC 28160
South College

Sept. 14
Drew Brooks
448 Big Gum Ct.
Rutherfordton, NC 28139
App. State

Sept. 21
Scarlett Hooper
181 Fairway Drive
Rutherfordton, NC 28139
Isothermal Community

Sept. 28
Michael Lowdermilk
154 Highland Ave.
Mooresboro, NC 28114
Isothermal Community

THANK YOU

FIRST RESPONDERS

First Responders Day
Thurs, Sept. 11th 11am – 1pm

Once again, Spencer Church will prepare and serve lunch to our First Responders in the county. If you would like to help, please let the church office know ASAP.

We will need desserts for our First Responders!
If you can contribute desserts, please bring them to the Family Life Center on Thursday, Sept. 11th before 10:00am. Thank you!

Old Country Store

Senior Adults it's Hamrick Bus Week!
Tuesday, Sept. 16th 8:30am

We will leave church at 8:30 am to go to Hamrick's in Gaffney. We will shop for the best deals ever and go to eat at Cracker Barrel. Join us for a great time

Senior Adult Evening Meal
Thursday, Sept. 25th at 5:00pm

The senior adults will go to Alston Bridges BBQ in Shelby on Thursday, Sept. 25th. Hope to see you there. Church bus will leave the parking lot at 5:00pm

WELCOME
New Members

Welcome New Member
Terri Kennedy

Terri joined Spencer Church on August 10th by transfer of letter. Tommy Haire is Terri's Deacon.

Sept. Yokefellow Items
Canned Tuna

There is a gray tote outside the Chapel for your donation.

Fun Filled Day at Spencer
Sept. 21st

We hope you can join us on Sunday, Sept. 21st. We will start out the day with **“Back to Church”** Sunday. The theme this year is “Life Is Better Together!” based on Matthew 18:20. This year's purpose is to help people we know that we are not meant to be alone and that we can do so much together. Look around you on Sunday, and see if someone you know is missing from church and give them a call and let them know they are missed. You may know someone who just quit going to church. Use this special day to invite them back!

12 noon: Camp Lunch! Join us after morning Worship for Camp Lunch. All proceeds will help our children & youth attend summer camp. Watch for the menu!

6:00pm Family Bingo
Join us Sunday evening for a fun night of BINGO at 6:00pm. For the young and old, everyone loves Bingo nights! Bring your best snacks to share and join us for some of the best prizes ever.

welcome baby

Welcome MaKinley Rae Wilson.

MaKinley was born 7/12/2025 and weighed 5 pounds, 13oz and was 19 inches long. Makinley is the daughter of Michael Wilson and Karley Bailey. Proud Grandmother is Shasta Boyd, as well as, aunt Haley and uncle Carson.

Welcome Kai Mowgli Ruiz.

Kai is the great grandson of Edwin & Lillian Toro. Kai was born 8/11/2025. He weighed 8 pounds, 7 oz and was 20 ¾ inches long.

BE A Blessing TO Someone TODAY
PROVERBS 11:25

Dear Spencer Church Family,
We would like to thank our Spencer family for all the prayers and cards. It really helped in our recoveries. You can really feel the power of prayers. Hope to see you all soon. *Ed & Lillian*

Dear Church Family, we are so blessed to have received the outpouring of love from you all since I broke my wrist. The food, gift cards, calls, texts, have certainly blessed us! Thank you all! We love you. In Christ, *Vicki & Rick Ledbetter*

Members of Spencer, thank you for all the help the church gave us during our Back Pack School Bash. Things went wild very quickly and it was a very successful event. Let's plan to make it even better next year! *Lou Gilliam WCAB*

WEDNESDAY NIGHT Suppers

Serving will begin at 5:30pm in the FLC

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*

Sept. 3: Hamburger Steak, Baked Beans, French Fries & Texas Toast.
Prepared by: Judy Huntsinger, Barbara Callahan, Rick Ledbetter, Wayne Ruppe, Susan Shehan

Sept. 10: French Bread Pizza, Salad
Prepared by: Spencer Staff

Sept. 17: Chicken Strips, Potato Wedges, Fruit
Prepared by: Lost & Found Class

Sept. 24: Spaghetti, Salad, Bread
Prepared by: Adult Coed Class

Sunday Volunteers

Nursery

Sept. 7: Ann Caldwell, Olivia Fagan, Scarlett Hooper
Sept. 14: Stuart & Judy Huntsinger, Barbara Callahan
Sept. 21: Jennifer Spearman, Mary Kathryn Taylor, Kathy Carver
Sept. 28: Lisa Harmon, Tyler Sims, Patty Luckadoo

Safety & Security

Sept 7: Kenneth Head, Tyler Sims, Scott Sims
Sept 14: Scott Hunt, Glen Harmon, Michael Greene
Sept 21: Dwayne Houser, Tyler Sims
Sept. 28: Jeff Murray, Billy Waters

Welcome & Bulletins

This Month: Judy Waters, Patricia Price

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

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

Item of the Month

As we quickly approach OCC's National Collection Week, it's important to remember that each box is collected, processed, and shipped. These things cost money! Samaritan's Purse asks that each box includes a \$10 donation to cover those costs. More importantly, that \$10 also covers Gospel Materials for each box as well as equipping the church ministries in the receiving areas with the resources needed to reach the community! If you do not feel led to make a monetary donation, please pray over the boxes that will be packed and shipped. Pray that God uses each box and every item to bless the child as well as those around them. Pray that the box will facilitate sharing the Gospel with not only the recipient, but with everyone around them as well. As always, if you have any questions, don't hesitate to let me know! You can also visit their website for more information! Thank you! -Kelly Owens