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Pastor	Bruce Caldwell
Minister of Music & Education	Kelly T. Settlemyre
Youth Director	Colby Fagan
Administrative Assistant	Linda Tribou
Custodians	Steve and Cheryl Koon
Pianist	Jay Seagrave



**Sunday Schedule for December\***

9:00 – Bells of Praise  
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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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](https://www.youtube.com) and search for Spencer Baptist Church. After you click on our church name, please click "subscribe."





# spencer church newsletter

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### Candlelight Service

Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00pm  
Carols, Candles & Communion

We hope you can join us on Christmas Eve for our very special service.



### The Adult Choir Presents: This is Christmas!

**Sunday, Dec. 21 at 11AM**  
Just hearing the word "Christmas" brings thoughts of joy to mind! Christmas is the season of joy - the season of love coming to earth. Christmas is about a Child-Jesus! THIS is Christmas. In this cantata,

the story is told through familiar music, seasonal carols, and inspired melodies. The sole intent of this work is to draw attention to that Child, that King, sent to earth to redeem the world, for THIS is the heart of Christmas!



### ADVENT

*Experience The Wonder*

### The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions



**Our Church Goal: \$10,000.00**

**Our Church Challenge: \$12,000**

We will be receiving the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering throughout December. Every dollar given to this mission offering directly supports the work of our missionaries. You may give your mission dollars to the International Mission Board or to the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship by marking your envelope with your preference. We will show our progress by lighting the Lottie Moon letters in the sanctuary. Please prayerfully consider your gift to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions.



### Christmas Movie Night Sunday, Dec. 7 @ 5PM

Join us as we view "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever." We will enjoy hot chocolate, Christmas cookies, popcorn, and more while we watch the movie. Families are encouraged to come together – this is a movie for all ages! Here's a summary of what you will see:

The Herdman kids are absolutely the worst. They lie, they steal, they bully...and they've hijacked the town Christmas pageant. Based on the international bestseller by Barbara Robinson, **THE BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER** follows six siblings who sneak into church searching for snacks and walk away with the lead roles in the town pageant. Grace (Judy Greer) is directing the performance for the very first time; she and her daughter Beth (Molly Belle Wright) and husband Bob (Pete Holmes) are less than amused. But the play's mischievous stars might unwittingly teach a community the true meaning of Christmas.



#### Dec. 7

Dan Kurkendall  
139 Still Meadow Dr  
Rutherfordton, NC 28139

#### Dec. 14

Nell Brooks  
359 Forest Hills Circle  
Rutherfordton, NC 28139

#### Dec. 21

Curtis Rice  
577 South Broadway  
Forest City, NC 28043

#### Dec. 28

Nora Greene  
Brookdale Ass't Living  
493 Piney Ridge Rd #212  
Forest City, NC 28043

#### Caring Hearts Sewing Group

Caring Hearts Sewing Group will meet Monday, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> in the sewing room. Come and join us as we work projects for our homebound.

#### Stewardship Meeting:

The Stewardship Committee will meet Tuesday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> in the Family Life Center at 6pm

#### Deacon's Meeting

Spencer Deacons will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> in the Family Life Center at 7pm

#### Circle of Sisters

Circle of Sisters will not meet in the month of Dec.

#### Welcome New Baby...

James and Michelle Mallard welcomed a new granddaughter on Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>. Eleanor Grace Mallard was 7 pounds 3 oz. 19.252in. Welcome & Congratulations!



*Merry Christmas from your  
Spencer Staff!*

Bruce, Kelly, Colby, Linda,  
Brianna, Steve, Cheryl & Jay

#### Celebrating Our College Students

##### Dec. 7

Kelly Owens  
1272 Pleasant Hill Church Rd  
Rutherfordton, NC 28139  
*Isothermal Community College*

***Please remember our three  
Graduate Students this month!***

**Joseph Giles – UNC Chapel Hill**  
**Molly Giles- App State University**  
**Aliah McKennedy- Gardner Webb University**



#### Christmas Parade Saturday, December 6th

Spencer Church will have a float in the Spindale & Rutherfordton Christmas Parades this year. We will meet at the church to load the float. Colby will let you know the time to meet. Anyone is welcome to be on the float, but children younger than 1<sup>st</sup> grade need a parent or guardian to stay with them. The Spindale parade starts at 3:30. The parade in Rutherfordton starts at 5:00pm

#### Missionaries. Their Calling. The Nations.

##### Sunday, Dec, 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm

There is a secret woven between them – one you don't want to miss discovering on Sunday, Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>. Please join us.

Refreshments will be served.



#### Spencer Serving Senior Adults

##### Tuesday Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> at 5pm

Spencer Senior Adults, let's meet in the Family Life Center on Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>. Come and see what Bruce has planned for this Mysterious Christmas Adventure!

**It is very important to let the office  
know if you plan to attend.**

\*this will be the only Senior Adult event this month.

#### Children's Christmas Party

**Sunday, Dec. 21  
from 6 PM- 8PM**



All children are invited to our Christmas Party on Sunday, Dec. 21 at 6 PM in the Family Life Center. We will eat a light supper, play games, decorate cookies, make a craft, and celebrate the true meaning of Christmas in ways meant for kids!



#### Spencer Youth Christmas Party

**Sunday, Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> at 6PM**

The youth Christmas Party will start at 6pm in the Youth Building. Make sure to bring a \$10 gift for Dirty Santa and a fun attitude for the party atmosphere! The party will end at 8pm.



Thank you to every single person who helped make our OCC Packing Party a success. Your willingness to help pack boxes and your donations helped us pack and ship 59 boxes! That's 59 opportunities to share the Gospel with children and their community! The item of the month for December is PRAYER! Please pray that each box blesses the recipient as well as their family & friends, opening more doors to share God's love!  
-Kelly Owens



#### Calling All Volunteers!!

Spencer will once again host Night to Shine, Friday, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025. If you are interested in being a part of this amazing worldwide event, please call the church office. 828-286-2355 or attend our next meeting. Date & Time to be announced.

#### Misson Post Office

The Mission Post Office is open! You can send a card to anyone within Spencer Church for .10 cents. If you have cards for those who do not attend Spencer, you will have to mail those at the local post office. The money raised will help those in our community.



#### Thank you Notes...

***Dear Church Family,***

I want to thank the Men's Sunday School Class for remembering me while I am at college this semester. I appreciate your love and prayers during my senior year.  
Love, Stephen Scala



*Spencer Church offers  
deepest sympathies to  
the families of:*

**Doug Price**, brother of Patricia Price  
& Barbara McCurry

**Kathleen Tomblin**, mother of Michael Tomblin

**Mike Wesley**, brother of Jay Seagrave



**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*

**Dec. 3:** Spaghetti, Tossed Salad, Bread  
**Prepared by: Adult Co Ed**

**Dec. 10:** Salisbury Steak, Mac & Cheese, Green Beans  
**Prepared by: Ed & Lillian Toro, Jackie Connor,  
John Stevens**

**Dec. 17:** Soup & Sandwiches  
**Prepared by: Spencer Staff**

**Dec. 24:** NO Wednesday Night Meal or Activities

**Dec. 31:** NO Wednesday Night Meal or Activities



#### Safety & Security

**Dec. 7:** Billy Conner, Doug Bright

**Dec. 14:** Kenneth Head, Tyler Sims, Scott Sims

**Dec. 21:** Scott Hunt, Glen Harmon, Michael Greene

**Dec. 28:** Dwayne Houser, Tyler Sims

#### Nursery

**Dec. 7:** Kim Greene, Makayla Yelton, Emily Bradshaw

**Dec. 14:** Tiffany Houser, Scott & Debbie Sims

**Dec. 21:** Kelli & Alex Beavers, Jackie Connor  
& Drew Brooks

**Dec. 28:** David & Heidi Odom, Karen LaBreche

#### Welcome & Bulletins

**This Month: Doug & Janice Bright**

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

**Spencer Church Offices will be  
closed Dec. 24, 25, 26**



All monetary donations to Spencer Church for the 2025 year must be postmarked by Dec. 31, 2025.