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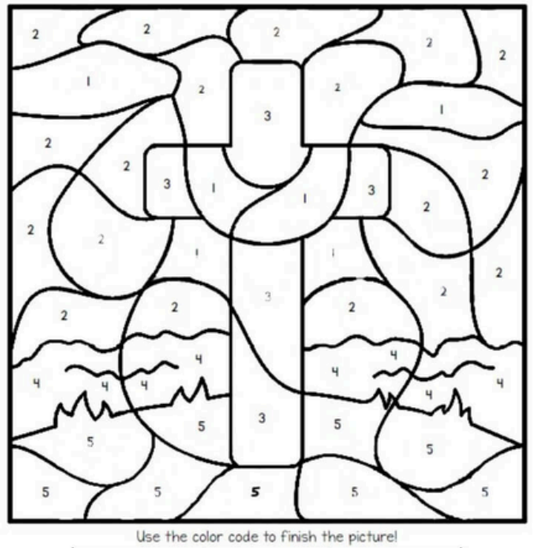

Church Staff

Bruce Caldwell.....Pastor
Kelly T. Settlemyre.....Minister of Music & Education
Colby Fagan.....Youth Minister
Kelly Owens.....Administrative Assistant
Chad & Shasta Metcalf....Custodians
Jay Seagrave.....Pianist

Bible Verse of the Month: Job 26:14 NIV
And these are but the outer fringe of his works; how faint the whisper we hear of him! Who then can understand the power of his thunder?

Trivia Question:
Who was known as the "Weeping Prophet" ?
Jeremiah

Funny for the Kiddos:
Did you know there was a baseball game in the book of Genesis?
In the 'big-inning'...
Eve stole first and Adam stole second.

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The Church Office will be closed on Monday, Sept. 7th for Labor Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, Sept. 8th @ 8:30 AM.

September 2026

The Spencer Spotlight

News, Events, Ministry Updates, & More!

First Responders Luncheon

Honoring Our Hometown Heroes

Friday, September 11th | 11:00 - 1:00

Our Annual First Responders Luncheon is a special opportunity for us to show our appreciation to the men and women who serve and protect our community. We will be preparing a meal for first responders throughout our county as a small way of saying "thank you" for all they do. **Spread the word! Invite all the first responders you know or see!**

There are several ways you can help make this event successful: Whether you can lend a helping hand in the kitchen, make a dessert, deliver a meal, or simply help wherever needed, your contribution matters! We would love to have our church family come together to make this a meaningful time of appreciation for those who are always ready to serve others. ***If you are willing to help in any way, please call the church office ASAP and let us know.***

Remember to Pray! A few weeks ago, everyone had the opportunity to randomly select a student to pray for throughout the year. If you selected a card, we encourage you to continue lifting that student up in prayer—praying for their growth, guidance, protection, and that they would always know how much God loves them.

Wednesday Night Children's News

As a part of our ongoing Wednesday Night programming, children in grades 1-5 will be participating in children's choirs again this fall. We will gather after supper at 6:15 and spend time with instruments and fun before dismissing to RA and GA classes at 6:40. Our younger children (ages 2-Kindergarten) will continue to have music from 6:30-7:00, followed by Mission Friends from 7:00-7:30. If your child has not been participating on Wednesdays, now is a great time to get them started! There are several options for parents during this time as well. The entire evening ends at 7:30 so there's plenty of time to get home and ready for bed since it is a school night. If you have questions, please see Kelly S.
We will begin this official schedule on Sept. 9th

Welcoming Guest Speaker Bill Perry

Sunday, September 13th

Continuing our 100 year celebration, we will be welcoming back Bill Perry. Bill is the son of the late E.V. & Judy Perry, brother of Cindy Morris and the brother in law of Jennifer Spearman. He grew up here at Spencer, then spent over two decades as Senior Pastor of Hartsville Community Fellowship, walking alongside individuals and families through life's hardest and most hopeful moments. That season shaped everything that came after — a deep belief that real change starts with honest conversation and a willingness to stay present with people, even when it's hard. Today, Bill brings that same heart to his work as a leadership advisor and executive coach through The Innovatus Group, helping leaders build stronger, highly engaged teams.

Christmas in August

For 100 years, Baptists have been celebrating "Christmas in August." This campaign helps missionaries in tangible ways by providing specifically requested items needed to share the gospel. Each year, the Woman's Missionary Union (WMU) and the North American Mission Board (NAMB) select a group of missionaries to provide a specific wishlist, and churches like ours collect some of those items, and ship them directly to the missionary. It isn't primarily a cash offering like Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. The emphasis is on tangible ministry supplies- items missionaries can immediately use in outreach and ministry.
This year, our church is helping Nate Wood, a church planter with Appalachian Church Northwest. Nate's church is working with a local elementary school in the mountains of Ashe County, NC, to provide needed supplies to students in January. There are 333 students in grades K-6, and 90% of enrolled students are at or below the poverty level. Each student will be given a "You Matter Bag," which contains supplies for the second half of the school year. We are collecting the following items in the hallway in front of the choir room through mid-September.

- Pencil Pouches (for a 3-ring binder)
- Washable Markers
- Wide-Ruled Composition Books (not spiral)
- Pencils
- Erasers

Monthly Meetings

Caring Hearts Sewing Group - 9/14 @ 10:00 a.m.
Stewardship Committee- 9/8 @ 6:00 p.m.
Deacons- 9/8 @ 7:00 p.m.
Circle of Sisters- 9/15 @ 6:30 p.m. - FLC

Mid-Week Adult Bible Study

Thursdays 10:30 - Noon

Circle of Sisters

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You've heard us talk about it...
but what exactly is it?

Circle of Sisters is a group of women who come together each month to learn, fellowship, and find ways to make a difference through missions. As part of the Woman's Missionary Union (WMU), the group learns about missionaries and mission work happening both locally and around the world, while also looking for ways to support and participate in the mission efforts of our church. Whether you've been involved in missions for years or are simply curious and would like to learn more, now is a great opportunity to try it out! Come out and connect with other women while making a difference in the lives of others. We meet once a month to discuss upcoming opportunities, plan projects, and discover ways we can serve together. *We'd love to have you join us!*

Deacon Election

Our deacon election is coming up, and we ask that you begin prayerfully considering how you will participate in the process! On Sunday, September 20, each church member will have the opportunity to nominate up to 5 people to serve as deacons. From those nominations, a ballot of 8 names will be presented to the church. Members will vote for 4 of these names on Sunday, October 4.
We encourage everyone to give prayerful consideration to this important task.

The Bells of Praise

Our handbell choir will begin rehearsing on Sunday, September 13 at 9 AM in the handbell room above the Adult Choir Room. No prior handbell experience is required, but each ringer should have a basic understanding of reading music. This group is open to youth and adults, and faithful attendance is a must! Come join the fun and ring with us! For more information, see Kelly S!

Homebound Member of the Week

Sept 6th
Nell Brooks
359 Forest Hills Circle
Rutherfordton, NC 28139

Sept 13th
Curtis Rice
577 South Broadway
Forest City, NC 28043

Sept 20th
Nora Greene
Brookdale Asstd. Living
493 Piney Ridge Rd.
Apt 212
Forest City, NC 28043

Sept 27th
Lois Hodge
234 Country Time Circle
Leicester, NC 28748

College Student of the Week

Sept 6th
Alex Beavers
South College of Asheville
252 Pleasant St.
Spindale, NC 28160

Sept 13th
Mati Bostic
App State
ASU Box 05226
614 Howard St
Boone, NC 28608

Sept 20th
Maddyn Bright
East Carolina Univ.
187 Mount Pleasant Church Rd
Forest City, NC 28043

Sept 27th
Drew Brooks
Appalachian State Univ.
136 Augusta Dr
Spindale, NC 28160

Church Ministry Survey

What's YOUR thing?
Put your gifts to work!

There are many ways to be a part of what God is doing through our church! We'll be sharing a short survey to help us learn more about the areas where you may be interested in serving. Whether you're already involved or looking for a new way to help, we'd love to hear from you! The surveys are available in the church office, in the vestibule, and the Family Life Center. Please complete and return your survey by Wednesday, September 16th !

CAMP LUNCH

Sunday, September 13th
We hope you'll join us for a delicious meal as we come together to support our youth and children. Remember that the cost of the meal is a donation that helps the youth and children go to summer camps. Additionally, the youth should plan to stay after Sunday Morning Worship to help with lunch. This is another opportunity to earn money towards your Caswell 2027 trip.
Menu: Baked Potato & Salad Bar

Spencer Senior Adults

Tuesday, Sept. 8th @ 9:30 AM
Apple Pickin'
On Tuesday, Sept. 8th we will take our annual apple pickin' trip! We'll leave the church at 9:30 to head up to the mountains of Hendersonville. After we get our apples, we'll enjoy lunch at the Dairy-O!

Thursday, Sept. 24th @ 5:00 PM
Toscanos Bistro
On Thursday, Sept. 24th we will leave the church at 5:00 and head out for Shelby to enjoy an evening meal at Toscanos Bistro. We hope you'll join us for a great meal.

OCC Item of the Month:
Your Choice

SPENCER youth Be sure to listen for announcements!

Thank You!

Spencer Church,
Thank you so much for the wonderful gifts and delicious lunch during our pre-week of school. Your partnership with us is very special... adding another layer of safety and security for our staff and students. We appreciate you so much!
Lots of Love, Spindale Elementary Hive.

To my wonderful Spencer Church Family,
Words cannot adequately express how much your prayers, calls, cards, and love that you gave during my recent health issues and surgery! I want to say 'thank you' all for everything and tell you 'I love you' ! Best Wishes, Steve Guffey

Yokefellow Item of the Month

Regular sized jars of
Creamy Peanut Butter (any brand)

Looking Ahead

Camp Lunch & Guest Speaker
Sunday, Oct. 11

Soup Kitchen
Thursday, Oct. 15

Quarterly Church Conf.
Wednesday, Oct. 21

Wednesday Night Meals

Supper Served @ 5:30

Please Reserve or Cancel your meals before noon on Tuesdays!
We need to know how many meals to prepare.
You can call the church office or sign up via Facebook.
Menu subject to change. Donations suggested to help cover the cost of meals each week..

Sept 2nd Lasagna, Salad, Breadsticks
Prepared By: The Adult Choir

Sept 9th Meatball Subs, Kettle Cooked Chips, Fruit
Prepared By: Come As You Are Class

Sept 16th Loaded Nachos
Prepared By: Spencer Deacons

Sept 23rd Sloppy Joes, Chips, Oranges
Prepared By: Betty Head, Susan Shehan, Judy Huntsinger, Barbara Callahan

Sept 30th French Bread Pizzas, Tossed Salad
Prepared By: Cindy Morris, Kelli Beavers, Wendy Ankrom

Sunday Volunteers

Safety & Security

Sept 6th : Jeff Murray, Billy Waters
Sept 13th : Greg Settlemyre, Garry Ankrom
Sept 20th : Scott Sims, Glen Harmon
Sept 27th : Billy Conner, Doug Bright

Nursery

Sept 6th : Kim Greene, Emily Bradshaw, Dianne Wilson, Debbie Bailey, Skylar Greene

Sept 13th : Stuart & Judy Huntsinger, Barbara Callahan, Terri Kennedy

Sept 20th : Connie Hunt, Victoria Jenkins, Donna Robbins

Sept 27th : Jennifer Spearman, Mary Kathryn Taylor, Kathy Carver, Barbara Keever

Welcome & Bulletins

August: Terri Kennedy & Barbara Callahan

If you are unable to volunteer on your scheduled day, please arrange a substitute or call the Church Office.