THE

MESSENGER

201 SOUTH BROADWAY FOREST CITY, NC 28043 828-245-5411

MFUGE 2020

June 21st - 26th North Greenville University Tigerville, SC

Students

Caitlin Allen Rachel Greene Peyton Arrowood Augusta Hardin Luke Bailey Lucas Harris Georgia Brandle Cade Holland Garrett Bridges Lucy Holland Natalie Brock Montana Kiser Marina Mace Carolyne Butler Chloey Butler Maggie McBrayer Avalon Christman Dakota Morrow Grace Christman Jesse Palmer Rachel Cobb John Palmer Jenna Pintuff Caleb Crain **Brady Swain Emily Garrison** Drew Greene

Chaperones

Randy Bailey Katie Cox Nikki Brock Christina Greene David Cox Stephanie Hardin

Live Stream - 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Services www.florencechurch.net Facebook.com/FlorenceForestCity

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HOMEBOUND MEMBER OF THE WEEK

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Minister On Call Each Week

June 14th - David Cox June 21th - Tonya Garrison June 28th - Scott Haynes



Congratulations to Mary Catherine and Blake Ewart on the birth of their son, Brett Harrison Ewart, born June 9, 2021

IN SYMPATHY

The John B. Luckadoo Family, **Brother of Sue Toms**



Dear Florence Family,

I want to share some important news about our family. This past Sunday I preached a trial sermon at Shady Grove Baptist Church in Belton, SC and the congregation voted me in as the Senior Pastor of their church. As I share this news with you we are excited about where God is leading our family but we are also heart-broken that this means we will be leaving our church family. This has been a difficult decision for us but we are confident that God is leading us to Shady Grove. Katie and I have always said we would follow God wherever he leads and we feel that this move is from God. We will be here at Florence through the month of June and we will begin our journey at Shady Grove Baptist Church in July.

Looking back on our time here at Florence brings me great joy. It has been an honor to serve our youth, families and the entire church body. Katie and I are grateful for the impact you all have made on our lives and our children's lives. We will be forever grateful that God led us to Florence Baptist Church. When we arrived at Florence we were fresh off the field from serving in India and the people of Florence welcomed our family with open arms. You have cared for our children, been close friends, and been partners with us in ministry. We will always remember our Florence family and treasure the friendships that God has given us.

We know God has great things in store for Florence in the days ahead. While we will no longer be with you we all have the same task before us, namely, equipping the church, making disciples, and making Christ famous in this world. I will continue to pray for Florence Church and I know God will use the amazing people here to do great things for His kingdom! Please know that we love you all and will miss you all dearly. Thank you again for all the ways you have cared for our family these past four years. Philippians 1:3-5 says, "I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now."

Florence we will always thank God for you and for the way you have partnered with us in the Gospel!

David

SUNDAY, June 6, 2021	
General Fund	\$20,537.48
Lightshine / Bldg Fund	\$2,825.02
BackPack	\$675.00
Music Ministry	\$50.00
Lottie Moon	\$100.00
Annie Armstrong	\$2.00
Baptist Children's Homes	\$2.00



8:45 a.m. Service Nursery Volunteers

June 20th

Jessica Herndon, Jess Butler, Alyson Mayse, Nikki Brock

June 27th

Patti Hardin, Rosemari Holland, Kris Landry



...his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

Lamentations 3:22-23, NRSV



Children's



PODCAST

http://florencechurch.net/ florence-kids-podcast/

Kids audio Podcast password: **friend**



06/20 Donna Cobb, Savannah Finucan, Nancy Splawn, Jami Toms

06/21 Mae Freeman, Adam Hollifield, Johnny Marlow

06/22 Charles Butler, Bryan Jackson,

Ashlee Arrowood, Mike Newton, John Towery

06/23 Maria Davis, Bob Marshall, Greg Street, Bobby Suttle, Lucas Walker

06/24 Dara Adams, Adaleigh Carlton, Malachi Dato, Al Freeman, Lee Murray

06/25 Carson Bland, Madelynn Hammett, Susan McKinney, Mark Winslow

06/26 Leo Blalock, Fredia Hamrick, Forrest Toney



06/20 Aubrey & Betsy Clay, Travis & Jessica Haynes, Al & Kelly Lovelace, Bud & Janice Robbins

06/21 Dal & Ruth Nanney

06/22 Rodney & Sharon Marshall, Bobby & Tiffany Suttle

06/24 David & Melanie Butler, Brad & Tracy Joyner

06/26 Joshua & Alex Dow, Gerald & Susan Richards, Mike & Sheila Hutchins, Bill & Carolyn Hardin, Mack & Pam McKeithan



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ways to get the link to start your free account today! Remember the church has purchased this as a resource for you. Signing up is easy and you will never be asked for payment information when you sign up under the church invitation link. Once you get to the link, you will simply create an account with your name, email, and a password. Once logged in with your new credentials, you should see Florence Church logo (blue and white) somewhere towards left side of the page. Use any of these three options to sign up for your free Right Now Media account.

Use this "Invite Link" from your internet browser:

https://www.rightnowmedia.org/ Account/Invite/FlorenceChurch



Use your phone camera to access the link from this QR Code:

Or text the code FLORENCECHURCH to the number 49775 to receive a text with the "Invite Link".

If you still need assistance, please contact Tonya or David and we will help get you up and running.

Hey Florence Youth!

For the months of June and July we will only meet on Wednesday nights at 6:00 p.m. in the loft. There will be NO Sunday Night youth services this summer. Please encourage your students to join us on Wednesday nights for fun, fellowship, and Bible study!

Youth/

Group

MFUGE is almost here! We are so excited to go to camp this year. We will be going to North Greenville University June 21st-26th. This will be an exciting time and I am looking forward to a great week. Please be in prayer for our students and chaperones that God would do great things in each of their lives!

Thanks,

David

Hey Florence Family,

I hope you are well. We live on a stretch of highway that is located between Highway 74 and Springmore Elementary School near Boiling Springs. This stretch of highway is now famous for potholes. Four months ago, I called the NC DOT and asked them if they would repair the potholes on our road. They came out the next day and filled every hole. They even filled holes in some of our neighbor's asphalt driveways. Great job state of NC DOT.

Guess what? Two months later I noticed a couple of small holes developing in our road. As the days turned into weeks and weeks into months, the holes became larger and more numerous. Well finally, NC DOT came by one day last week and patched the holes. The holes were so bad that the DOT is scheduling to close our road just to repair certain sections.

Isn't life just like our road? You're going along smoothly, and all of sudden a pothole turns your world upside down. A loved one gets a cancer diagnosis. You lose your job. Someone dies too young. You're making your way down the road just fine and then you crash into a pothole that almost derails you. It may even be the same hole that you have faced before. We all know the feeling all too well.

God did not promise that our Christian walk would be easy, but he did promise he would never leave us. His presence, His love and His peace are the only things that can fill in the holes in our lives. He smoothes out the roughest of roads with His strength and comfort. And above all, He grants us grace sufficient to make it through whatever may come. The Lord will never leave our side.

Thank you, Lord, for these words in Deuteronomy 6: Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."

Watch out for those holes,

Scott



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Or Current Resident

Upcoming Events you

DO NOT want to miss!

If you attended our note burning celebration on May 16th or our Family Fun Day on May 22nd you have realized how much you have missed socializing with your church family. If you missed either of these activities do not fret for we have more planned in the near future. On July 11th we will be having a homemade ice cream social. Start dragging out the ice cream recipes and churns. This will be a casual fellowship event on Sunday July 11th @6:00pm in the LEC Gym. Then on Sunday July 25th, we will have a special performance by Carley Arrowood and Daniel Thraikill. By the time they arrive these two will be married as they have a wedding scheduled in June. We are thrilled to have them perform for us. Carley and Daniel love the Lord and their music will show it. Join us July 25th @6:00pm for a concert in the LEC Gym then we will conclude outside with a watermelon social.



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Save the Date

June 7th - July 27th Summer Book Club

Mondays and Tuesdays

June 21st - 24th Vacation Bible School

June 21st - 25th Youth Trip to MFUGE

July 11th Ice Cream Social

July 25th Concert in LEC Gym

& Watermelon

August 15th Pool Party at South Mountain

Camp

