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NEWS & VIEWS OF WILLIAMS

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"But now in September the garden has cooled, and with it my possessiveness. The sun warms my back instead of beating on my head ... The harvest has dwindled, and I have grown apart from the intense midsummer relationship that brought it on."

-from Common Ground: A Naturalist's Cape Cod, by Robert Finch

As summer shuffles off with its hurried pace and scattered schedules, September arrives to promise us a sense of rhythm and consistency as we move into the autumn season. We begin to mark time a bit differently in the fall than we did in the summer: our days are scheduled by the school's clock; our weeks find a new pattern as we try to adjust for practices, games, and the shorter evenings; and here at Williams, we find our way back into our usual routines of the fall—with a few new details.

The first new detail involves our Wednesday evening activities, particularly the way we do our meals at 5:30 p.m. While the times will remain the same, we will be working out a new way of providing those meals, as our usual volunteer teams are in need of a respite and we need to reexamine and retool the ways we serve those meals to be more efficient, cost-effective, and reduce waste. We will start dinner back on **September 4**th **at 5:30 p.m.** Look for the menu in the bulletin and online. With these new changes we will inevitably have a few kinks to work out, but we hope to have it all down to a science within a few weeks.

Other new details are forthcoming from our By-laws committee, who have been working through the summer to streamline and update a number of our policies and procedures. You can look forward to hearing a report from them in the near future. Our Budget and Finance committee has begun meeting to work on the 2020 budget, so if you are a committee chair, expect to receive your budget request form soon.

By the time you read this you should have already received a deacon nominations ballot too. Please prayerfully consider those who you believe fit the criteria for a deacon in our congregation and ask them personally before nominating them. Our deacons are expected to be exemplary leaders in the church, who support our mission, give of themselves to the church and others, and participate in the pastoral care ministries of our congregation through personal visits. Now is a good time to be aware of who is serving as your family deacon and reach out to them if they have not reached out to you.

September marks a return to the regular rhythm of the church's year. I ask that you join with me in praying for a great fall of ministry and the thoughtful preparation for the ministry and missions we are preparing for in 2020.

Grace and Peace, Chris

Ministry & Missions Budget

Needs

Receipts \$ 26,006.68 Monthly 21,891.25 Year to Date \$ 221,056.78 \$ 180,217.55

TOTALS ARE THROUGH 08/25/2019

"A special thank you to each and every one of you for your monetary support and hard work that enables First Baptist Church of Williams to touch lives by sharing the love of Jesus". ~Finance Committee

COUNTING COMMITTEE FOR SEPTEMBER

Mike Davis & Sharhonda Duncan

GREETERS & USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER

Rex & Peggy McAlister

Matt & Lori McFall

JACKSONVILLE CHRISTIAN **OUTREACH CENTER**

Our church is scheduled to provide the following items to the J.C.O.C. for the month of SEPTEMBER: Cake Mix, Cake Icing, Biscuit Mix & Canned Fruit. Please take your donated items DIRECTLY TO the JCOC located just behind McDonalds.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday

Sunday School 9:00 am **Morning Worship** 10:00 am **Choir Practice** 4:00 pm

Wednesday

Supper 5:30 pm Devotion 6:00 pm



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY EVENT

THE NINA & PINTA: Join us Sunday, September 1st to visit the Nina & Pinta at the Guntersville Harbor. The Columbus Foundation's aim is to educate the public on the type of ship, the "Caravel", that Columbus used to discover a new world in the year 1492. Columbus made 4 voyages totaling 12 years on ships like these. We take great pride in displaying and maintaining the only traveling replicas in existence today. The ships tour together as a "sailing museum" for the purpose of educating the public and school groups on the 'Caravel', Portuguese ships used by Columbus and many early explorers to Discover the New World. Built completely by hand, without power tools, in Brazil since 1985. The Columbus Foundation receives no funds from government agencies or private foundations. We are supported entirely by the tickets purchased to tour the ships.

> 9:00 am - 6:00 pm General Admission: \$8.50 for adults \$7.50 for seniors (age 60+) \$6.50 age 5-16 (not in a school group) age 4 and under are free **Group & School Tours:** minimum of 15 people, \$5 per person



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE

NURSERY HELPERS

Sep 1 Cheryl Lyon Sep 8 Kari Haynes Sep 15 Sharon Williams Sep 22 Jamie Davis Sep 29 Bonnie Johnson

Nursery helpers will assist one of our regular nursery workers each Sunday morning for Sunday School and Worship. Our regular nursery workers are: Terri Harris and Sharon Williams. Nursery Helpers if you need to reschedule your day to work, please contact

Nikki Haynes.

3 & 4-YEAR OLD HELPERS

Sep 1 Lauren Whitaker Sep 8 Marleah & Avi Blades

Samantha Preston & Abi Brock Sep 15

Sep 22 Candace Burns & Gracie Davis

Hattie & Callie Ewing Sep 29

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Nikki Haynes & Syndey Beason Sep 1 Kate Hamby & Rhonda Duncan Sep 8 Sep 15 Nikki Haynes

Sep 22 IN CHURCH Sep 29 Nikki Haynes

CHILDREN'S STORY

Sep 1 Rhonda Duncan Sep 8 Marleah Blades Sep 15 Chris Thomas Sep 22 Lynnelle Barker

Sep 29 Nikki Haynes

FOOD PANTRY

Our food pantry distribution will be held on Friday, September 27th at 3:00pm.



ADULT GET-TOGETHER

The Thursday night Adult Get-togethers will resume this month on September 5th and September 19th at 6pm. Bring your favorite finger foods and join them for an evening of food, fun and fellowship.

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FBC WILLIAMS CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8:15 AM Deacon/Staff Monthly Meeting 11:45 AM Tour Nina & Pinta in Gunters ville	Happy Birthday Stacy Bonds & Les Honts LABOR DAY CHURCH OFFICE AND DAYCARE CLOSED	3 Happy Birthday Melissa Amd t	5:30 PM Supper 6:00 PM Devotion, Children & Youth Activities	6:00 PM Adult Get-together Happy Birthday Brody Boozer	Happy Birthday Bill Prickett PVHS 5TH QUARTER AFTER GAME	7
8:30 AM Deacon/Staff Prayer Time Happy Birthday David Jenkins	9	10	5:30 PM Supper 6:00 PM Devotion, Children & Youth Activities	12	13	14 Happy Birthday Casey Barker
8:30 AM Deacon/Staff Prayer Time DEACON ELECTION	16	17 Happy Birthday Tony Steele	5:30 PM Supper 6:00 PM Devotion, Children & Youth Activities Happy Birthday Mike Almaroad, Randy Blades, Jill Green & Noah Johnson	19 6:00 PM Adult Get-together	20	21 Happy Birthday Rodney Friery
8:30 AM Deacon/Staff Prayer Time Last Day to Submit 2020 Budget Requests	23 Happy Birthday Mike Duncan	24	25 5:30 PM Supper 6:00 PM Devotion, Children & Youth Activities Happy Birthday Haley Stephens	26	3:00 PM FOOD PANTRY DISTRIBUTION Happy Birthday Denola Green Student Breakfast	28 Happy Birthday Robin Cheatwood
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