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NEWS & VIEWS OF WILLIAMS

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"In the entire circle of the year there are no days so delightful as those of a fine October."

-Alexander Smith

The heat of summer may linger on in those moments when the sun is highest in the sky, but already the mornings are hinting at what we have hoped was coming: the cooling relief of fall. The air gets cooler. The days get shorter. Football season is in full swing. The World Series is just around the corner. Halloween costumes and bags of candy corn, pumpkin-shaped chocolate, and fake spiderwebs seem to have grown out of store shelves. Before long, we will turn the corner heading for Christmas. But before we get too swept up in what is coming at the end of the year, I want to call your attention to what is right here before us, the work and ministry we have before us as the Body of Christ at First Baptist Church of Williams.

First, on **Sunday, October 6th**, we will gather around the Lord's Table with brothers and sisters around the world as we recognize World Communion Sunday. It is always a meaningful time when we take part in the Lord's Supper together. It is a time when we are reminded, that no matter what differences we bring to Christ's table, no matter where we find ourselves on this journey of life and faith, no matter what burdens we've been carrying, Christa calls us to the table, to fellowship, to the promise of forgiveness, redemption, reconciliation, and love. I hope you'll plan to join us for this special time when we'll gather together as Williams and as the broader, wider Body of Christ around the world.

On **October 27**th we will hold our annual Fall Festival. This is a big community event, and every year we see so many faces of folks from around the community. Nikki will be calling for donations of candy, etc. in the coming weeks, and I know she will also need volunteers, so before she tracks you down, pray about how you can volunteer, and however you may choose to take part, be sure to be here for this event that is always a good time.

During this month, committees are meeting, putting together budgets, plans, and committees for 2020. Be praying about how God may be calling you to serve your church through the work of these committees, how God may be calling you to give of your time or money to the work our church does through these committees, and how God may be calling you to even serve on one of these committees in the next year.

While it's not in October, Homecoming will also be here before you know it, and this year our guest preacher is my friend and predecessor, Mike Oliver. Homecoming this year is **November 3rd**, and it is already promising to be a great celebration of our church's 169th year. Be sure to be here for worship that morning, and, of course, the covered dish lunch to follow.

Ministry & Missions Budget

 Needs
 Receipts

 Monthly
 \$ 26,006.68
 \$ 27,619.48

 Year to Date
 \$ 253,565.13
 \$ 207,837.03

TOTALS ARE THROUGH 09/29/2019

"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 OCTOBER

Jeanie Floyd & Diane Freeman

GREETERS & USHERS FOR OCTOBER

Patti Ponder & Nick Howard

NEED VOLUNTEERS

JACKSONVILLE CHRISTIAN OUTREACH CENTER

Our church is scheduled to provide the following items to the J.C.O.C. for the month of **OCTOBER**: Peanut Butter, Jelly, Crackers & Cereal. 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

Tuesday

Bible Study 10:00 am

Wednesday

Supper 5:30 pm Devotion 6:00 pm

ADULT GET-TOGETHER

The Thursday night Adult Get-togethers this month will be held on Oct 3rd and Oct 17th at 6pm. Bring your favorite finger foods and join them for an evening of food, fun and fellowship.

FOOD PANTRY

Our food pantry distribution will be held on Friday, October 25th at 3:00pm.





CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE

NURSERY HELPERS

Oct 6 Lori McFall
Oct 13 Beverly Almaroad
Oct 20 Carol McGinnis
Oct 27 Cheryl Lyon

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

Oct 6 Katrina & Wyrnne Lipscomb

Oct 13 Bethany Johnson

Oct 20 Abbi Steele & Maggie Hedgepath Oct 27 Ashley Barker & Sydney Beason

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Oct 6 Sallie Thomas & Callie McFall
Oct 13 Kate Hamby & Gracie Davis
Oct 20 Nikki Haynes

Oct 27 IN CHURCH

CHILDREN'S STORY

Oct 6 Jason Teal
Oct 13 Kate Hamby
Oct 20 Randy Blades
Oct 27 Rhonda Duncan



Our annual Fall Festival will be held on Sunday, October 27th, from 5-7pm. The usual fun will include games, hayrides, a hay maze, trunk-or-treat, and Kona Ice. For this to be a success, your participation and assistance is appreciated. The church will provide hot dogs, chips, and fixings for supper. We need donations of candy, medium-sized pumpkins, and snack cakes. You are welcome to dress in costume or decorate your vehicle for trunk-or-treat. Flyers will be distributed to the elementary students; therefore, a great number of guests are expected.



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FBC WILLIAMS CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sep 2 S M T V 1 2 3 4 8 9 10 1 15 16 17 1 22 23 24 2 29 30	V T F S 4 5 6 7 1 12 13 14 8 19 20 21	Happy Birthday Terry Boozer & Jason Teal	2 5:30 PM Supper 6:00 PM Devotion, Children & Youth Activities	3 6:00 PM Adult Get-together	6:50 AM PVHS Student Breakast 6:00 PM CMC RESERVED -Ostrander	5 10:00 AM -12:00 PM Wedding Shower for Sean & Haley Ostrander Happy Birthday Wanda Green & Joyce Johnson
8:15 AM DEACON/STAFF MONTHLY MEETING World Communion Sunday	7	8	5:30 PM Supper 6:00 PM Devotion, Children & Youth Activities Happy Birthday Ayden Freeman	10	11 Happy Birthday Regina Honts	12
8:30 AM DEACON/STAFF PRAYER TIME Happy Birthday Bryce Freeman	14 Happy Birthday Patti McLeod	15 FAL	16 NO SUPPER NO SERVICE	17 6:00 PM Adult Get-together	18 PVHS 5th Qtr After Game	19 Happy Birthday John English & Sarah Freeman
8:30 AM DEACON/STAFF PRAYER TIME	21	22 Happy Birthday Keith Johnston, Carol McGinnis & Abbi Steele	23 5:30 PM Supper 6:00 PM Devotion, Children & Youth Activities	24	25 Happy Birthday Avi Blades	26
27 8:30 AM DEACON/STAFF PRAYER TIME 5:00 PM FALL FESTIVAL Happy Birthday Casey Maples	28	29	5:30 PM Supper 6:00 PM Devotion, Children & Youth Activities 6:00 PM Quarterly Business Meeting	31	S M T V 3 4 5 6 10 11 12 1 17 18 19 2 24 25 26 2	V T F S 1 2 6 7 8 9 3 14 15 16 0 21 22 23