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EACH SUNDAY

8:15 AM Morning Worship
 9:30 AM Sunday School
 10:45 AM Morning Worship
 5:00 PM Worship Choir
 5:45 PM GROW Students/Kids
 6:00 PM Evening Worship

EACH WEDNESDAY

7:00 PM Prayer Service/GROW

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FROM THE PASTOR

Dear South River Family,

November is always a special time of year to express our gratitude for God's abundant provision – materially and spiritually. We have so much to be grateful for at South River. I am thankful for our ministries and members that are inviting our community to taste and see that the Lord is good. Our weekly ministries throughout our community bring God's goodness and grace to children in Good News Club, to senior citizens in need of vital resources, and families needing wisdom and guidance found in God's Word.

We rejoice and give thanks how God has empowered His people to minister to hurting souls in our own state through the hurricane relief efforts. South River demonstrates the vitality of living water that flows from God's throne through our lives into the hearts and minds of people around us! We will have another opportunity to Feed Thousands on November 23rd with Thanksgiving food boxes and share how God can do impossible things!

Finally, on **November 24th**, join us in the evening service for our annual Thanksgiving dinner. This will be a sweet time for the church family to gather and share our gratefulness to our Savior for His blessings and sacrifice. We will worship around His throne and fellowship together around the table that evening. ***The Wood Family Tradition*** will bless us with some wonderful bluegrass music that evening as well!

With lips that give thanks,
Pastor Chris

PRE-SCHOOL

1ST SUNDAY

8:15 AM Worship

Melanie Townsell
Molly Townsell
Jonna Bentley

10:45 AM Worship

Tonda Lowman
Emily Lowman
Chely Mahler

6:00 PM Worship

Cricket Barnette
Patsy Burnette

2ND SUNDAY

8:15 AM Worship

Terry Reid
Taylor Hedrick
Kelly Hill

10:45 AM Worship

Brittany Griffin
Daphne Jensen
Mary Jo Frye

6:00 PM Worship

Amelia Fox

3RD SUNDAY

8:15 AM Worship

Salem Grace Lyles
Michelle Mullins

10:45 AM Worship

Alissa Coulombe
Rebecca Thorpe
Cheri Horner

6:00 PM Worship

Kim Mersfelder
April Thompson
Sarah Beth Thompson

4TH SUNDAY

8:15 AM Worship

Sharon Hobbs
Savannah Mullins
Addison Carter

10:45 AM Worship

Kaitlyn Lyon
Daphne Jensen
Abigail Kilcoyne

6:00 PM Worship

Liz Deal
Robin Stewart

1ST WEDNESDAY

Elizabeth Griffin
Anita Long

2ND WEDNESDAY

Donna Lyons
Amanda Meadows

3RD WEDNESDAY

Bonnie Hamilton
Heather Cannon

4TH WEDNESDAY

Amanda Meadows
Mary Cook
Alaina Cook

5TH WEDNESDAY

Tara Beatty
Bonnie Hamilton

GREETERS

NOVEMBER 3RD

8:00 AM

Martha McCoy - SP
Carol Sipes - FD

10:30 AM

Riley Elliott - SP
Kimberly Shoemaker - FD

NOVEMBER 10TH

8:00 AM

Sandra Boan - SP
Maggie Baumberger - FD

10:30 AM

Carol Barringer - SP
Bridget Merritt - FD

NOVEMBER 17TH

8:00 AM

Sandra Boan - FD
Marth McCoy - SP

10:30 AM

Alyssa LeVan - FD
Eli Pope - SP

NOVEMBER 24TH

8:00 AM

Cindy Holloway - SP
Riley Elliott - FD

10:30 AM

Mary Kirkpatrick - SP
Carol Barringer - FD

GRIEF SHARE MINISTRY

Surviving the Holidays Nov 17th 3pm in FLC 6

GriefShare class meets on Sundays @ 3 pm in FLC 6. Please contact Steve Jenkins at (980) 263-4134 for information on when the next session begins.



WELCOME

By Letter : Kate Dewey
157 Mason Dixon Ln
Statesville, NC 28625
(701) 351-5592

By Statement: Tim & Terri Burris
130 Oak Haven Dr
Statesville, NC 28625
Tim - (704) 880-2147

2024/25 MINISTRY BUDGET

YTD BUDGET GOALS	\$ 160,192.00
TOTAL GIVING TO DATE	\$ 162,732.64

RIPPLE KIDZ MINISTRY

A Servants Heart

The Fall Festival was a great event put on by great people! The joy I saw in everyone's faces that served encouraged me a lot. There have been years where we had to cut out certain things because we did not have enough help but this was not one of those years. I saw several new faces serving as well as some previous ones. And I heard a lot of great things from many people about how intentional everyone was to weave the Gospel into everything they did! I saw a servant's heart during the Fall Festival this year and it was a blessing, let me tell you.

Church, let's not lose that. Let's keep that spirit going in the months to come. There are many great opportunities coming up in the near future that we want and need you to be a part of. And if you aren't plugged in somewhere let me help you find that place. You each have gifts from God that the rest of us don't have, so continue to use them for His glory. For those of you that didn't serve or were unable to, you missed a great opportunity! We had a great time while sharing Truth. It truly requires everyone to make an event of this size take place.

It isn't likely I will be able to or remember to thank each of you in person, so whether you served hotdogs, marked wristbands, painted faces, ran a game, facilitated the cakewalk, drove a tractor, did registration, parking, security, or helped with the scavenger hunt, let me just say thank you from the bottom of my heart. I look forward to serving with you all in the future! And remember, you're not serving South River, you're serving the Maker of all.

God bless you.

Timothy Clendenin,
Children's Ministry Associate

MISSIONS MINISTRY

Hot Meal and the Gospel

Are the smiles and stories created around a cooker and a warm chicken plate worth it? Yes, through the “Behemoth” cooker and warm chicken plate we had the opportunity to have multiple Gospel conversations. We were able to encourage and remind those we served that there are those that care both for their physical need but most importantly their spiritual needs. Sure, most mornings started way before the chickens got up but to know that someone hasn’t had a hot meal for 10 days it was worth it. We had the chance to serve around 8,500 meals in 11 days. We partnered with churches that were in the areas impacted by

Helene. We served food at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Hendersonville, Pheonix Baptist Church in Lansing, French Broad Baptist Church in Hendersonville, The Bridge Church in Hendersonville sent us to Madison County Sherriff’s Office, Union Grove Baptist Church in Lenior, and The Place Fellowship Church in Fairview. During these trips we also were able to meet the needs that each church was presented with and these needs changed daily. Our first trip up the mountain we delivered box truck of supplies along with 2,000 pounds of fresh chicken to East Fork Baptist Church in Canton. Other supplies delivered to these areas were food, laundry detergent, propane tanks, diapers, wipes, little buddy heaters, blankets, coats, and stuffed animals. Our efforts will continue, and the needs of those affected by the hurricane will continue to change. The weeks to come will entail some cooking but most of the work will be helping those in the rebuilding process. None of this would have been possible without the doors that God continues to open, the support of the church and those that were back home getting things prepared for the next day’s journey.

*God be merciful to us and bless us, and cause His face to shine upon us, Selah
That Your way may be known on earth, Your salvation among all nations. Psalm 67:1-2*

Pastor Scott Townsell,
Missions & Families

Worth's Chapel
Meal prep site
for Carson, NC



BIRTHDAYS

NOVEMBER

- | | | | |
|----|--|----|---|
| 2 | Kaitlyn Lyon
Terrie Powell
Sandra Goodin | 17 | Sarah Martin
Steve Warricks |
| 3 | Deborah Templeton | 18 | Donna Loudermilt |
| 4 | Joyce Redmond | 20 | Erica Miller
Travis Campbell |
| 5 | Jeanette Conley
Christy Estes | 22 | Melissa Earnest |
| 6 | Heather Melton
April Johnson | 23 | Sarah Thompson
Annabella Kilcoyne |
| 7 | Robert Snider | 24 | Michelle Kilcoyne |
| 8 | Leona Dixon
Kevin Campbell | 26 | Kaylee Bowman
Lauren Johnson
Gerald Sloan |
| 9 | Katie Gibson | 27 | Linda Niemann |
| 10 | Dewayne Lippard | 28 | Emily Sherrill
Lisa Compton |
| 11 | Martha Honeycutt | 29 | Heather Baldwin
Kylie Barnette |
| 13 | Maggie Baumberger
Kristen Martin
Aubrey Maffucci | 30 | Caroline Cook
Adalynn Stewart
Robin Stewart |
| 14 | Bonnie Hamilton
Bobby Campbell | | |
| 15 | Beth Fox | | |
| 16 | Emily Lowman
Averie McGahan | | |

ANNIVERSARIES

NOVEMBER

- | | |
|----|------------------------|
| 2 | Bud & Joyce Redmond |
| 4 | Timothy & Terri Burris |
| 12 | Buddy & Sheila Hemric |
| 14 | Roy & Norma Love |
| 17 | Scott & Gayle Lindly |
| 25 | Brian & Mary Cook |

DEEP & WIDE YOUTH MINISTRY

Jesus Prayed for You.

"I do not ask on behalf of these alone, but for those also who believe in Me through their word; that they may all be one; even as You, Father, are in Me and I in You, that they also may be in Us, so that the world may believe that You sent Me.

The glory which You have given Me I have given to them, that they may be one, just as We are one; I in them and You in Me, that they may be perfected in unity, so that the world may know that You sent Me, and loved them, even as You have loved Me. Father, I desire that they also, whom You have given Me, be with Me where I am, so that they may see My glory which You have given Me, for You loved Me before the foundation of the world. "O righteous Father, although the world has not known You, yet I have known You; and these have known that You sent Me; and I have made Your name known to them, and will make it known, so that the love with which You loved Me may be in them, and I in them."

- John 17: 20-26 - NASB

One of the greatest truths of the bible is found here in John 17, that is, Jesus prayed for you... Isn't that CRAZY!

What comfort, what love, what faith-strengthening truth is this.

What exactly did he pray for?

1. For unity in the Body and with Lord for the sake of Kingdom advancement.
2. For Believers ride to be with Jesus where he is.
3. For the Father's love to be in Believers as it is in Jesus.

Believers should be known for their unity and love for one another.

When we taint our testimony through hypocrisy, we put up hinderances or roadblocks in front of unbelievers.

It is paramount that our lives and our message (the Gospel) are cohesive.

We see Jesus' heart behind all of chapter 17 is this:

Holy pilgrims living on mission in word and deed, looking for the beautiful, glorious, and righteous return

of their Great Warrior Shepherd.

Colt Christmas

Youth Ministry Associate



WORSHIP MINISTRY

RIVER WORSHIP CHOIR

3rd AM Impossible Things
13th AM My Jesus
17th AM Say Amen
24th AM Jesus Thank You

PM Come Thou Almighty King
PM Your House Is Holy
PM Bound For Glory
PM Wood Family Tradition

SPECIAL MUSIC

3rd AM Choir
10th AM Jerry Long
17th AM Praise Band
24th AM Erin Bowman

PM Jimmy Williams
PM Taylor Hedrick
PM Quartet
PM Wood Family Tradition

RADIO MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Mon-Fri Programming

6:30am Love Worth Finding - Dr. Adrian Rogers
6pm Grace To You - Dr. John MacArthur
8pm Turning Point Daily - Dr. David Jeremiah
10pm Wretched Radio Daily - Todd Friel

Weekend Programming

Sat @ 12pm Washington Watch Weekly
Sun @ 7am Turning Point Weekend - Dr. David Jeremiah
Sun @ 8am Love Worth Finding Weekend - Dr. Adrian Rogers
Sun @ 12pm & 7pm South River Baptist Church
Sun @ 5pm Grace To You Weekend - Dr. John MacArthur

Music Genre Schedule

12am - 3am Contemporary Christian
3am - 7am Gospel
7am - 6pm Contemporary & Gospel Mix
6pm - 9pm Gospel
9pm - 12am Contemporary Christian



ADULT GROW CLASSES



2024 Fall Adult GROW Schedule
Most Sessions start the week of September 8th
and run into November

Sundays @ 6 - 7 PM

Knowing God (Packer) - Fred Bradburn (Choir room)

Wednesdays @ 7 PM

Biblical Economics (Sproul) - Tony Craver (Choir room thru Nov 20th)

Isaiah: Striving Less and Trusting God More - Janet Johnson (FLC 6)

Women's Bible Study - October 2nd - November 13th

Coming in January on Wednesdays @ 7 PM

Grasping God's Word led by Pastor Scott Townsell

FUTURE EVENTS



WOOD FAMILY TRADITION
Back Home In Tennessee
November 24th 5pm



Nov 3rd - Nov 24th



Mark Your Calendars

November

23rd - Thanksgiving for Thousands - All Day
24th - Thanksgiving Meal & Concert - 5:00 pm

December

22nd - Candlelight Service - 6pm

HEADWATERS ACADEMY



HEADWATERS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
PATRIOTS

We have openings in most grades.

We offer 3 day (Tu-Thu) and 5 day Pre-K (7:45 am to 11:30 am) and K-11th grade.

See details online @ headwaters-academy.com

Please call if you would like additional information or to set up a tour and interview.

New students should use this link > <https://headwaters-academy.com/register-new/>

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR THIS MINISTRY! We need help in the lunchroom, cleanup crew, teacher assistants, tutors, library, recess monitoring.

If you can volunteer between 8am and 2pm Mon – Fri, we can find a place for you to serve! Please fill out a volunteer form or contact me let us know of your interest. One or two days per week will go far to help this ministry of South River Baptist Church.

Scan to apply or contact Kim Williams for more details at 704-881-1459 kim@southernriverbaptist.com; <https://headwaters-academy.com/volunteer/>

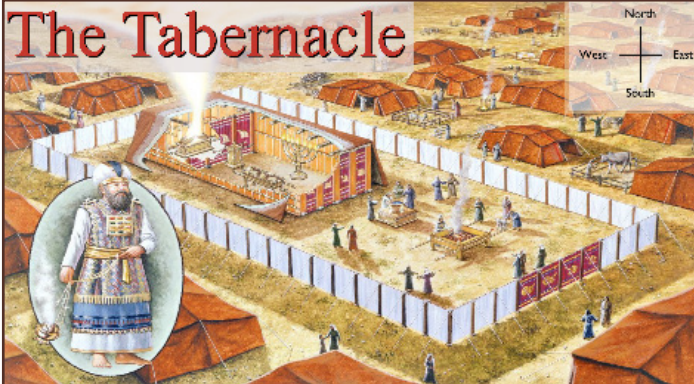


Other ways you can help support Headwaters:

>>> Download the Box Tops app and select Headwaters Christian Academy in Statesville, NC as your school, then scan your grocery receipts

>>> RaiseRight is another way to support Headwaters by purchasing gift cards that you would normally buy in stores. You can use this link to get started > <https://www.raiseright.com/enroll?enrollCode=SM4GPS3BTGJ5>

DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRY



**Come & Worship:
A Study of the Tabernacle**

**with
Pastor Chris**

**Wednesdays
@ 7:00 pm**

SPECIAL GRIEFSHARE CLASS

**The holidays are
challenging when you're
grieving a loss.**



GriefShare

**Surviving
the Holidays**

provides encouragement, support, and valuable tools to navigate the season.

Join us for this holiday seminar

Location	Date & time	Contact info
South River Baptist Church 2659 S. Chipley Ford Rd Statesville, NC	Sunday, November 17, 2024 3:00 - 5:00 pm Family Life Center Room 6	Steve Jenkins (980) 263-4134

griefshare.org/holidays

2024

November

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

						11:00 am Fort Dobbs Outreach till 1pm
3:00 pm GriefShare Class (FLC 6) 5:45 pm GROW starts	HCA Teacher Workday 3:00 pm Good News Club (Central)	HCA Teacher Workday Election Day	6:45 pm GROW 7:00 pm Ladies Bible Study (FLC 6) 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting			
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3:00 pm GriefShare Class - Surviving the Holidays (FLC 6) 5:45 pm GROW	3:00 pm Good News Club (Central)	3:00 pm Senior Adult Food Boxes	11:00 am HCA Chapel 6:00 pm Ripple Kidz/D&W Council 6:45 pm GROW 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting			Thanksgiving for Thousands Outreach
5:00 pm Thanksgiving Meal & Concert with the Wood Family Tradition Bluegrass Band	HCA Thanksgiving Break	HCA Thanksgiving Break	HCA Thanksgiving Break NO SERVICES	HCA Thanksgiving Break Church Office Closed	HCA Thanksgiving Break Church Office Closed	