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BAPTIST CHURCH

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# JUNE 2026

## OUR CHURCH STAFF

Dr. Chris Thompson, Senior Pastor  
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## EACH SUNDAY

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

## EACH WEDNESDAY

6:40 PM GROW Students/Kids  
7:00 PM Prayer Service/GROW

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**CURRENTS**

June 2026

**PATRIOT DAY**

**JULY 5TH**

**8:15 AM - SOLEMN ASSEMBLY**

**9:30 AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**10:45 AM - WORSHIP SERVICE**

**Fellowship Lunch in the Family Life Center  
(bring a well filled basket)**

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## FROM THE PASTOR

Dear South River Church Family,

Thank you for the opportunity to take a sabbatical rest. I am grateful for the incredible staff, deacon brotherhood, and ministry team leaders who can oversee ministry matters in my absence. I covet your prayers during this change of pace for a spiritual renewal of heart, mind, and body.

I am looking forward for a time to connect with God on a deeper level and to seek His face on how to best lead our church family to continue growing and being faithful to His work. I believe this time of rejuvenation will benefit me, my family, and our church.

Pray for me as I rest, renew, and reinvest for the work God has for South River Baptist Church.

Blessings,

Pastor Chris

## PRE-SCHOOL

### SUNDAY SERVICES

#### JUNE 7TH

##### 8:15 AM Worship

Debbie Sloan  
Salem Grace Lyles

##### 10:45 AM Worship

Gracie Melton  
Chely Mahler

##### 6:00 PM Worship

Patsy Burnette  
Cricket Barnette

#### JUNE 14TH

##### 8:15 AM Worship

Terry Reid  
Kelly Hill

##### 10:45 AM Worship

Rebecca Thorpe  
Liz Deal

##### 6:00 PM Worship

Cyndi Cook  
April Thompson

#### JUNE 21ST

##### 8:15 AM Worship

Karlie Townsell  
Molly Townsell

##### 10:45 AM Worship

Amelia Fox  
Keri Mankos

##### 6:00 PM Worship

Happy Father's Day  
NO PM SERVICES

#### JUNE 28TH

##### 8:15 AM Worship

Sharon Hobbs  
Terry Aiken

##### 10:45 AM Worship

Cheri Horner  
Melanie Townsell

##### 6:00 PM Worship

Robin Stewart  
Heather Melton

### WEDNESDAY SERVICES

#### JUNE 3RD

No Nursery  
VBS

#### JUNE 10TH

Amanda Meadows  
Donna Lyons

#### JUNE 17TH

Maritza Anderson  
Tara Beatty

#### JUNE 24TH

Heather Cannon  
Nicky Robertson

## GREETERS

#### JUNE 7TH

##### 8:00 AM

Martha M. - SP  
Carole S. - FD

##### 10:30 AM

Kimberly S. - SP  
Carole B. - FD

#### JUNE 14TH

##### 8:00 AM

Brenda R. - SP  
Bonnie W. - FD

##### 10:30 AM

Bridget M. - FD  
Jenna S. - SP

#### JUNE 21ST

##### 8:00 AM

Eli P. - SP  
Sandra B. - FD

##### 10:30 AM

Mary K. - FD  
Bridget M. - SP

#### JUNE 28TH

##### 8:00 AM

Kate D. - SP  
Cindy H. - FD

##### 10:30 AM

Abigail K. - FD  
Kate D. - SP

## GRIEF SHARE MINISTRY

Please contact Steve Jenkins  
at (980) 263-4134 for more  
information about next  
GriefShare Class



## NEW MEMBER

By Baptism:  
Andrew Burris  
Karter Rollins

## 2025/26 MINISTRY BUDGET

YTD BUDGET GOALS	\$ 778,245.00
TOTAL GIVING TO DATE	\$ 811,638.37

## PASTOR FOR MISSIONS & FAMILIES

### Missions Ministry Update

We are excited to share an update on the 48-foot mobile kitchen that the Lord has graciously provided for our ministry. Over the past several weeks, we have been hard at work getting everything prepared and road-ready. The flooring has been removed and is being replaced with new commercial tile, our gas system has been inspected for safety, cooking appliances have been tested, and the freezer has been serviced and prepared for use.

This week, we are putting on the final touches with the hope that by the end of the week the kitchen will officially be ready to travel and serve. Before launching fully, we plan to spend some time cooking in it locally to ensure everything is operating smoothly. Be watching for future emails and updates about opportunities to serve through this incredible ministry tool.

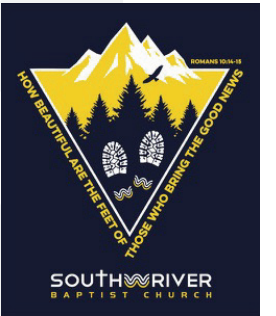
What a blessing it is to have the opportunity to go into our community and surrounding counties to minister to people both physically and spiritually. Our goal is not simply to fill bellies, but to faithfully sow the seed of God's Word everywhere we go.

Recently, we had the opportunity to build a wheelchair ramp for one of our church members, helping make access to their home easier and safer. We also traveled to Wilkes County to feed a collegiate wood bat baseball league team and had the privilege of sharing the Gospel with players from both teams. It was encouraging to see meaningful spiritual conversations take place after the meal.

Additionally, after recent flooding concerns, we reached out to several ministry partners we connected with during Hurricane Helene relief efforts and were thankful to hear that all were doing well.

Thank you for continuing to pray for and support our missions ministry.

Pastor Scott



# DEEP & WIDE YOUTH MINISTRY

## The Great Shephard and Prayer

This week during Vacation Bible School, our student ministry has been teaching through Psalm 23 and focusing on the truth that Jesus Christ is the Good Shepherd. Psalm 23:1 says, “The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.” Our prayer is that students would not simply know this verse, but personally know the Shepherd behind it.

We have challenged students to understand that if Jesus is not shepherding their lives, then something else is. Friends, culture, social media, sports, popularity, and the world around them will gladly try to lead them. Only Jesus can truly guide, protect, provide for, and save them. VBS continues to be one of our greatest evangelistic opportunities each year, and we are thankful for the chance to share the Gospel with students from both our church and community. Please continue praying for hearts to be open to the truth of God’s Word that has been sewn during the week.

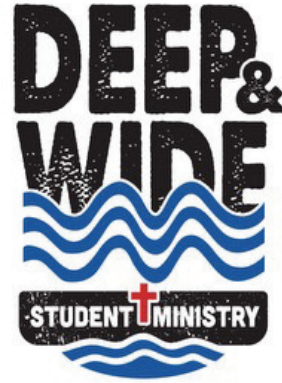
On Wednesday nights, we are continuing through Ronnie Rogers’ book *If Only You Would Ask: Praying God’s Conditional Promises*. We recently completed Week 4, “Pray with Confidence, Not Arrogance,” where students learned the difference between boldly trusting God and wrongly demanding from God.

Upcoming lessons include:

- Week 5 – “When God Says Wait or No” (2 Corinthians 12:8-9)
- Week 6 – “A Life of Prayer: Building the Habit” (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

Thank you for continuing to pray for Deep & Wide Student Ministry as we seek to help students grow deep in God’s Word and reach wide with His love.

Pastor Scott



# BIRTHDAYS

## JUNE

- |    |                    |    |                 |
|----|--------------------|----|-----------------|
| 1  | Peggy Koch         | 16 | Kathy Stewart   |
|    | Ashley Weston      |    | Gary Stewart    |
| 6  | Linda Eason        | 17 | Bob Horner      |
|    | Howard Martin      | 19 | Cooper Johnson  |
| 7  | Miranda Schriener  |    | Dianne Griffith |
| 9  | Gabriel Karr       | 20 | Carl Aiken      |
|    | Jason Sherrill     | 21 | Andrew Lyon     |
|    | Steve Gladden      | 24 | Bentley Pearson |
|    | Caleb Long         | 25 | Anna Beatty     |
| 10 | Judy Callaway      |    | Janet Johnson   |
|    | James Snyder       |    | Josh Kilcoyne   |
| 11 | Adam Merritt       |    | Lewis Myers     |
| 14 | Ashley Benfield    |    | Gabe Winebarger |
|    | Elizabeth Coulombe |    |                 |
|    | Brian Stewart      |    |                 |

# ANNIVERSARIES

## JUNE

- |    |                          |
|----|--------------------------|
| 2  | Bobby & Connie Campbell  |
| 4  | Jason & Michelle Mullins |
| 5  | Dennis & Vickie Stewart  |
| 6  | Matthew & Brenna Pence   |
| 9  | Kevin & Teresa Campbell  |
|    | Jody & Cathy Mitchell    |
| 10 | Robert & Teresa Snider   |
| 11 | Sonny & Jennifer Hedrick |
| 12 | Michael & Nicole Johnson |
| 15 | Doug & Renee Holland     |
|    | Michael & Daphne Jensen  |
| 17 | Tony & Anita Craver      |
| 18 | Hal & Cindy Gibson       |
|    | Brian & Robin Stewart    |
| 21 | Billy & Sheri Pope       |
| 22 | Larry & Libby Campbell   |
|    | Lynn & Alisha Johnson    |
|    | Tony & Crystal Smith     |
| 24 | Daniel & Emily Fisher    |
| 25 | Eric & Heather Boogie    |
|    | Jack & Wilma Huffman     |
| 26 | Mat & Miranda Schriener  |
| 27 | Bob & Kathy Ashley       |
| 28 | Eric & Leona Dixon       |

# RIPPLEKIDZ MINISTRY

Incredible opportunity presents itself more often than not at South River. In particular, a couple times out of the year, we are given the chance to touch eternity in huge ways, namely the Fall Festival, VBS, and Summer Camp.

You and I have been commanded by Jesus to share the good news of His salvation, making disciples. And these events help us do that uninhibited. There is no persecution, shame, or embarrassment. The thousands of lives we touch through these events are expecting to hear stuff about Jesus, so there's no need to be shy in our proclamation!

My prayer for all of us is that we will continue to take advantage of these opportunities to share the Gospel with those around us. Thank you to everyone who made VBS possible once again this year! It couldn't have been done without you. And I want to extend the same opportunity on a grander scale for summer camp. There are between 80-100 different children that will attend camp over the 7 weeks of summer camp and many of them will be there 10 hours a day each week. There's a place for you to touch those lives in a way that impacts eternity!

Privileged to Serve,

Timothy Clendenin, Children's Associate

# WORSHIP MINISTRY

## RIVER WORSHIP CHOIR

7th AM Return  
14th AM Exalted Forever  
21st AM Living By Faith  
28th AM Let The Church Rise

PM Psalm 90  
PM Psalm 91  
PM No PM Services (Father's Day)  
PM All People That On Earth Do Dwell

## SPECIAL MUSIC

7th AM Sherwin Johnson  
14th AM Darlene Estes  
21st AM Lydia Thorpe  
28th AM Timothy Clendenin

PM Jimmy Williams  
PM South River Quartet  
PM No PM Services (Father's Day)  
PM Taylor Hedrick

## RADIO MINISTRY SCHEDULE Mon-Fri Programming

5am & 12pm (5min) Reading By The River  
6:30am Love Worth Finding - Dr. Adrian Rogers  
8am Running To Win - Dr. Ervin Lutzer  
6pm Grace To You - Dr. John MacArthur  
8pm Turning Point Daily - Dr. David Jeremiah  
10pm Wretched Radio Daily - Todd Friel

## Weekend Programming

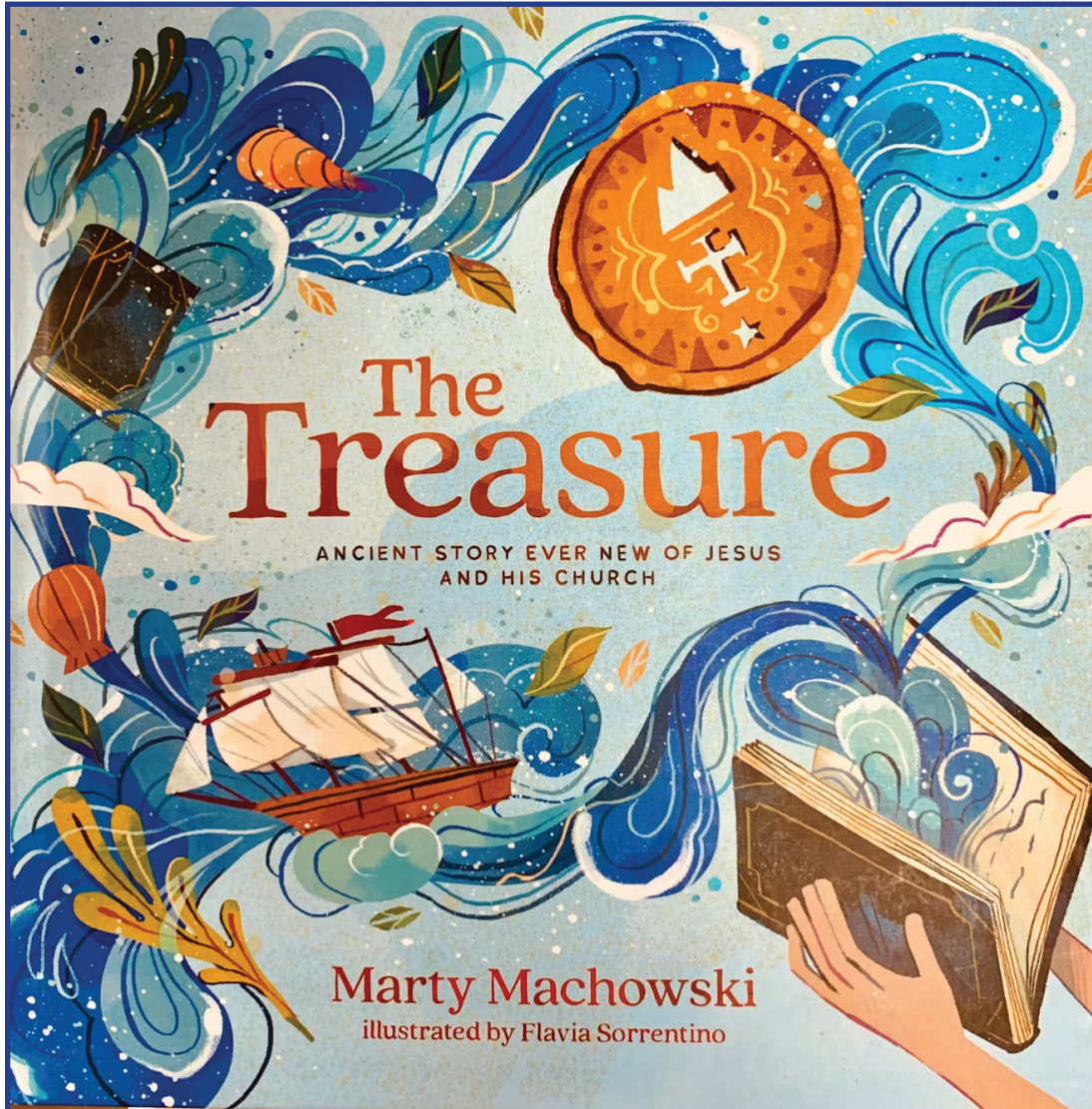
Sat @ 12pm Washington Watch Weekly  
Sun @ 7am Turning Point Weekend - Dr. David Jeremiah  
Sun @ 8am Love Worth Finding Weekend - Dr. Adrian Rogers  
Sun @ 12pm & 7pm South River Baptist Church  
Sun @ 5pm Grace To You Weekend - Dr. John MacArthur

## Music Genre Schedule

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



# GROW SCHEDULE



Join Us Throughout The  
Summer As We Seek  
For The Treasure



# NEW MEMBER CLASS & SAVE THE DATE



## Mark Your Calendars

### July

- 5th - Patriots Day
- 6th - Youth @ SWO
- 13th - Summer Camps Continue
- 25th - Kites & Sprite Fellowship
- 26th - Business Meeting

# HEADWATERS ACADEMY



HEADWATERS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY  
**PATRIOTS**

Registration is OPEN for the 2026-2027 School Year

We offer 3 day (Tue-Thu) and 5 day Pre-K (7:45 am to 11:30 am) and K-12th grade

See details online @ [headwaters-academy.com](https://headwaters-academy.com)

Please call if you would like additional information or to set up a tour and family 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@southeribaptist.com](mailto:kim@southeribaptist.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:  
The Blessed Attributes:  
A Study on Beatitudes**

with  
**Pastor Chris**

**Wednesdays  
@ 7:00 pm**

# 2026 SUMMER CAMP

# SUMMER CAMP



REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!

\$50 REGISTRATION FEE PER FAMILY

ONLY

\$150 PER WEEK\*

\$40 PER DAY / 2 DAYS MINIMUM

\*Discounts available for multiple weeks.

**FROM LIGHT SABERS TO LEGOS,  
THIS WILL BE OUR MOST EPIC CAMP YET!**



**JUNE 8TH THROUGH JULY 31ST M-F, 7:30-5:30PM**

**WEEK 1:  
SPORT WEEK / June 8-12**

**WEEK 2:  
CHEF WEEK / June 15-19**

**WEEK 3:  
LEGO WEEK / June 22-26**

**WEEK 4:  
WATER WEEK / June 29-July 3**

**WEEK 5:  
STARWARS WEEK / July 13-17**

**WEEK 6:  
CHRISTMAS WEEK / July 20-24**

**WEEK 7:  
GAME WEEK / July 27-31**

No camp during the week following the fourth (July 6th-10th)



# 2026

# JUNE

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

	6:00 pm VBS 1	6:00 pm VBS 2	6:00 pm VBS 3	6:00 pm VBS 4		
5:45 pm GROW 7	Summer Camp Week 1 Sports 8		6:40 pm GROW 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting 10	Super Summer Thursday Youth 11		
5:45 pm GROW 14	Summer Camp Week 2 Chef 15	3:00 pm Senior Food Boxes 16	6:40 pm GROW 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting 8:00 pm Stewardship Mtg 17	Super Summer Thursday Youth 18		
Happy Father's Day Lord's Supper NO PM Services 21	Summer Camp Week 3 Lego 22		6:40 pm GROW 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting 24	Super Summer Thursday Youth 25		
5:45 pm GROW 28	Summer Camp Week 4 Water 29					