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**First Baptist Church of Clyde**  
**Monthly Newsletter**

**August 2025**

## **We Believe** **(Doctrines of the Faith)**

Be sure to be here on Sunday mornings as Pastor Byron continues his sermon series on the Doctrines of the Faith. In August, Pastor Byron will teach the following:

*The Trinity, The Doctrine of Salvation, The Doctrine of Angels, The Doctrine of Satan, and the Doctrine of the Church*

## *celebration*

Join us on Sunday, August 10 we will honor Rickey Taylor! There will be special music and a time of recognition for Rickey as we celebrate his retirement. Stay after worship for a covered dish luncheon in honor of Rickey and Joan. Come help us celebrate their amazing ministry here at FBC Clyde!





Hello First Baptist Church,

Happy August. I hope you are doing well and I hope you have enjoyed this summer. I know some of you may be taking those last minute trips before school starts back. I am so thankful for families that take time together during the summer to rest, relax, and build memories together. Those are precious times that will be remembered for years to come.

As our students and our school staff begin to return to the classroom in August, I want to wish each of you a wonderful school year. My prayer for each of you is that you will be a light in the darkness. That each of you will stand out for Jesus in your classrooms, on our teams, in your school, and in our community. God has called each of us to be bold in our proclamation of His word, and I pray that each of you has the courage to boldly proclaim His word and to love His people. I will continue to be in prayer for each of you.

We also have a couple of important events coming up in August. First on August 10th, we will have a retirement celebration for Rickey Taylor. He will bless us with singing and we will celebrate with him at a lunch after church. Come out and plan to join with us as we celebrate the ministry and retirement of Rickey Taylor.

On August 24th, we will have an ordination service for our newly selected deacons. On this day we will ordain Trent Devlin and Taylor Osborne into deacon ministry. Be here that morning as we lay hands on these two who have been called into servant ministry. I am so proud of both Taylor and Trent for stepping up to the plate in this very important ministry and for serving their Lord and their church.

On August 29th, we will serve the Pisgah High School football team a meal. If you are willing to help with this endeavor, please let Byron or Ethan know.

As always, it is an honor to be your pastor.

Byron Burnette

### COATS for the CITY



We would love to have 3 more volunteers to go to New York City to share the gospel and offer warm coats to those in need! If you are interested in going the week of December 4-7, see Pastor Byron for more information.

### Deacon Ordination

There will be a special time of ordination on Sunday, August 24 during our morning worship service for our newest deacons, Taylor Osborne and Trent Devlin.

If you would like to help serve the Pisgah High School football team on Friday, August 29, please let Byron or Ethan know. We will need help serving and cleaning up afterwards.







Dear Church Family,

As a worship leader, one of the most stressful parts of Sunday isn't the songs- it's **avoiding technical difficulties**. A dead mic, frozen screen, or a missing slide can quickly shift our focus from *worship* to *damage control*.

But in those moments, God reminds me: **It was never about flawless execution. It's about a thankful, surrendered heart.**

All around the world, believers worship in settings stripped of technology- in small gatherings with nothing but voices and gratitude- and it's every bit as full. Why? Because **the heart we worship with matters more than the means we worship with.**

Psalms 100:4 says, "*Enter His gates with thanksgiving....*" So whether things run smoothly or fall apart, let's worship with **gratitude and reverence**, not frustration. God isn't looking for perfection- He's looking for hearts fixed on Him.

Let our praise be louder than our problems, and our joy deeper than our distractions.

With gratitude,

Ethan J.



Tuesday, August 5:  
**Pickleball in the Park**

Pickleball, pizza, fun!

Meet at the church at 6:30 to ride together, or just meet at the Canton Park.



Our youth will be attending *Hearts on Fire* in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee this November. Students in middle school through college are invited to attend. Please see Ethan for more information or to sign up.

This conference features Maverick City Music, Shane Pruitt, Algernon Tennyson, and more!

It's a great time to join the Worship Team! We will practice at 7:00PM on Wednesdays through the month of August.



We will have a shower to celebrate the upcoming wedding of Jake Scott and Hailey Getz on Sunday, August 24 immediately following morning worship. A light lunch will be served. The couple is registered on Amazon. \*Amazon gift cards requested.\*





# WELCOME New Members



We welcome **Kyle and Megan Wyatt** and their two children, **Savannah** and **Brady** joined FBC Clyde in June. Kyle works for USPS, and Megan stays at home with the kids. Kyle enjoys being a dad and playing pickleball, while Megan likes to read, play pickleball and enjoys homeschooling Savannah and Brady. Savannah is 5 years old and enjoys dancing. 2-year old Brady enjoys playing outside.

Kyle and Megan love the ministry and the people here at FBC Clyde, and they love that the church is focused on God. They would like to serve in the children's ministry in the future.

Welcome to FBC Clyde!



We welcome **Cody and Carrington Lovelace**! Cody works as A1 Storage project manager, and Carrington is a waitress while going to nursing school through

Haywood Community College. They enjoy hiking, gardening, hunting, and fishing.

Cody and Carrington are excited to have plenty of opportunities to get involved with the young adult and youth ministries as well as be a part of the worship team here at FBC Clyde. They plan to step up to serve when needed with these ministries.



Welcome to **Jake McKenzie**, who joined FBC Clyde on July 27. Jake is an insurance agent at Farm Bureau of Haywood County. His interests include sports, especially football and golf, as well as hunting, fishing, and outdoor activities.

Jake loves the family atmosphere and the passion for Christ here at Clyde. The engagement from the church family here is also important to him. Jake would like to serve at FBC Clyde by helping with recreational activities, outdoor events, and sporting activities for youth or adults.



There will be a **Church Council Meeting** on Sunday, August 24 at 4:00PM.



Pastor Byron and Ethan wish all of our students and teachers a wonderful 2025-2026 school year!

*Walk in kindness, shine with courage, go with God. Ephesians 4:32*



## Deacon Dialogue

I hope you and your families have had a blessed and fun-filled summer. Soon school bells will be ringing and the annual rush for backpacks and school supplies will begin. Our college students will be gearing up for the new semester as well. August usually brings a lot more heat and humidity, but summer activities will gradually wind down.

Many opportunities for ministry and fellowship will be available at Clyde First Baptist this month.

August 2-9: ServeNC, a time when NC Baptist churches can "love" their community by doing various service projects. Be listening for ways to be involved as we serve others.

August 10: We get to honor Rickey and Joan Taylor for their service and faithfulness here. (Some of us remember Rickey's ministry here 35 years ago as well.)

August 23: Join the Baptist Men to go to see the Asheville Tourists play. (Two of our own, Wyatt Bucinkas and Braden Surrett work with the grounds crew there.)

August 24: We have the privilege to ordain our new deacons.

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you soon as we prepare to do great things in 2026 for the Lord at Clyde First Baptist Church. Let's dream big and pray hard!

Kerry Cogburn,  
Chairman of Deacons

Where there is  
no vision  
the people perish.  
Proverbs 29:18

The Community Kitchen is in need donations of canned food. There is a box in the vestibule and downstairs outside of the kitchen for your donations.



All men are invited to **FBC Men's Night at the Ballpark**. On Saturday, August 23rd we will go to the Asheville Tourists game. Meet at the church @ 4:30 to take the bus to the game.

Join us for a time of fun and fellowship!



## Daily Bible Readings

### Overwhelming Peace



- August 1: Genesis 26: 28-29  
August 2: Judges 6: 23-24  
August 3: Jeremiah 29: 7  
August 4: Luke 10: 5  
August 5: John 20: 21  
August 6: John 16: 33  
August 7: 2 Thessalonians 3: 16  
August 8: Isaiah 26: 3  
August 9: Matthew 5: 9  
August 10: John 14: 27  
August 11: Romans 12: 18  
August 12: Colossians 3: 15  
August 13: 2 Corinthians 13: 11  
August 14: Psalms 4: 8  
August 15: 1 Peter 3: 11  
August 16: Philippians 4: 9  
August 17: Romans 5: 1  
August 18: Romans 8: 6  
August 19: Ephesians 6: 15  
August 20: Psalm 29: 11  
August 21: 1 Thessalonians 5: 23  
August 22: James 3: 18  
August 23: Ephesians 2: 14-16  
August 24: Jude 1: 2  
August 25: Psalm 34: 14  
August 26: Hebrews 12: 14  
August 27: Psalm 119: 165  
August 28: Acts 9: 31  
August 29: 1 Samuel 1: 17  
August 30: 1 Kings 20: 17-19  
August 31: Matthew 5: 9



## August BIRTHDAYS

- August 5 Richard Marshall  
August 6 Dee Boone  
August 7 Kathy Johnson  
August 8 Danika Inman  
Judy Clement  
August 29 Carole Fry



## FOOD, FELLOWSHIP, and FORE!!!

### Join us for FBC Clyde's 2nd Annual Men's Golf Trip

WHO: Men of FBC Clyde

WHAT: Golf Trip

WHEN: Sun. Dec. 28th-Thurs., January 1st

WHERE: Myrtle Beach, SC

COST: \$725 per person

\*The cost includes lodging, breakfast for 4 days, transportation there and back, and 3 rounds of golf.\*

\*See Pastor Byron for more information.\*



We need volunteers for two  
Wednesday night jobs:

- Nursery (6:30-7:30)
- Children (7:00-7:30)

\*\*Lesson would be provided for children.\*\*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>27</b> Biblical Budget Workshop and Light Lunch after Worship 9:30am Bible Study Groups 10:30am FBC Worship Celebration 6:00pm The Chosen Video Series	28	<b>29</b> 10:00am Summer in the Word	<b>30</b>  6:00pm Summer in the Word 7:00pm Worship Team Practice	31	1	2
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<b>24</b> 9:30am Bible Study Groups 10:30am FBC Worship Celebration/Deacon Ordination 12:00pm Jake and Hailey's Wedding Shower 4:00pm Church Council Meeting	25	26	<b>27</b> 7:00pm Worship Team Practice	28	<b>29</b>  3:30pm Feed PHS Football Team	30
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## Wandi's Corner

### Mexican Cornbread

Recipe from Shirley Curtis and  
Ruth Brittain



1/2 cup self rising flour  
1 1/2 cup self rising cornmeal  
2 eggs well beaten  
1 tsp cayenne pepper  
1/4 tsp salt  
1/2 medium green bell pepper  
1 medium chopped onion  
1/2 cup oil  
1 cup cream corn  
1 cup buttermilk  
1 cup grated sharp cheddar cheese

Mix all ingredients except cheese. Pour 1/2 mixture into a well greased 9 x 13 pan. Sprinkle all the cheese over the mix. Pour the rest of the mixture over the cheese. Bake at 350 degrees for 40-50 minutes. (Bake in a muffin pan to get more crust. These freeze well.)



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James & Dot Parham

Ray Bailey

Ruby Crumpler

Mark Hendrix

Joyce Franks

Dorothy McCracken

Becky Dobbins

Julie Wilson

Family of Ryan DeRoberts

Paul Lawing & Family

GOD  
HEARS  
YOUR  
PRAYERS





# OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

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June 23, 2025

Byron Burnette  
Clyde First Baptist Church  
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Dear Pastor Burnette,

On behalf of the Haywood County Sheriff's Office, I want to extend our sincere thanks for allowing us to use Clyde First Baptist Church as a training site.

Your generosity and support play a vital role in helping us stay prepared and ready to serve our community. Having access to real-world spaces like your church enhances the quality and realism of our training in ways that classroom settings simply can't match.

We are grateful not only for the use of your facility, but also for the continued partnership and kindness you show to our office. Please know how much we appreciate your hospitality.

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Matthew Trantham".

Matthew Trantham  
Chief Deputy  
Haywood County Sheriff's Office

# **THRIVE 35**

## **A 10 Year Vision For FBC Clyde**

### **Goal 1: Send out 5 missionaries in a short term or long term mission assignment.**

- Teach at least 1 missions seminar every year
- Promote missions training opportunities
- Take a minimum of 1 mission trip in the US and 1 mission trip abroad

### **Goal 3: Establish at least 1 individual discipleship program and 1 family discipleship program.**

- Use Sunday nights to focus on Family Discipleship programs
- Find and implement an individual discipleship program

### **Goal 5: Send out a minimum of 5 people into Christian ministry.**

- Create and maintain a ministry intern program
- Allow opportunities for people who are called into ministry to preach, teach, and minister
- Create a fund to financially support ministry education

### **Goal 7: Be a church in which 100% of our members are involved on a ministry team.**

- Seek out new members and regular attenders and engage them into the work of the church
- Enlist new members via the FBC 101 classes

### **Goal 9: Remodel our sanctuary to create a church facility that our children and grandchildren can use and be proud of.**

- Begin a "Chest of Joash" fundraising campaign in January 2027
- Appoint a renovation team to make decisions

### **Goal 2: Have 50 students between 6th and 12th grade in regular attendance at FBC Clyde.**

- Hire and develop a student minister and provide ongoing training
- Provide 4 student trips per year

### **Goal 4: Implement a minimum of 20 opportunities for biblical education.**

- Have a minimum of 10 Sunday School classes
- Have a minimum of 10 in home small groups
- Maintain a minimum of Sunday morning, Sunday night, and Wednesday night services where scriptures are taught

### **Goal 6: Baptize a minimum of 100 new believers in Jesus Christ.**

- Incorporate a community evangelism and outreach program
- Train and equip the congregation of FBC Clyde in evangelism and discipleship

### **Goal 8: Create and maintain a budget that follows biblical principles and glorifies God.**

- Create a budget within the 40-30-30 guidelines
- Move to a budget that is derived from percentages of the whole budget

