

Friends and family are like valuable commodities . . . we must treat them like we would fine jewels in our lives. Too often, we don't.

Many times, I have seen men and women leave their children in a car in the parking lot of a store while they "run in" to make a quick purchase. On one occasion (when I was feeling a little "brave") I confronted a young woman who had left her two young children in her car while she went in to the store to pay for her gasoline. She left her children, out of her sight, for about ten minutes while she waited in line. When she returned, I asked her if she possessed two bags of diamonds worth millions of dollars would she have left them unattended in her car while she "ran into" the store. She gave me a strange look, jumped into her car and sped off without answering my question. I hope she thought about it.

We should all think about it. Sometimes we forget that people are infinitely valuable to God, and they certainly should be to us. Everyone needs a friend. Everyone needs to be loved and to know that they are loved and important.

Friend Day is an opportunity to reach out to neighbors, family, old friends, and new friends to invite them to church. Research proves that most people will attend church if asked. Let's just ask. Just one soul is worth more than all of the gold and diamonds in the entire world.

I am really looking forward to growing with you in Sunday School and worshipping with you in church on Friend Day.

Blessings,





South Carolina needs the Lord! Have you given to the Janie Chapman State Missions Offering? Envelopes are in the pew racks.

Sock 'It Sunday

October 9

- ◆ Bring at least one pair of socks for Sock 'It Sunday on October 9. We are collecting as many pairs of socks as we can to give to the less fortunate in our area. There are boxes around the church for your donations. Last year 289 pairs of sock were given by Northgate!
- ◆ World Hunger Day, too! We want to *sock it* to world hunger on October 9. A love offering to help relieve hunger in our community and world will be taken at the conclusion of the service.

Where Is Your Planning Packet?

Planning Packets are slow coming in. Don't wait til the last minute to prepare them. We must have them in the office by Sunday, October 9 - especially if you are requesting money for your ministry/committee for next year. Place them in the box on the table at the foot of the stairs and sign the paper beside it by October 9.

Lights are still being left on, especially in the gym and kitchen area. Please turn them off when you leave. Also, make sure the doors are locked when you leave at night. We even found a door unlocked this morning (Monday). Thanks.

It's Time Again!



We have all been waiting for pecan time and now it's here! You can help our youth with summer camp/mission expenses while enjoying the delicious pecans they have for sell . . . plain halves and pieces, chocolate

covered, butter roasted, dark chocolate, and sugar free. Order blanks are located around the church. You must have your order in by Wednesday, November 2 so the pecans will be here before Thanksgiving. Please, no late orders!

Let's Go Apple Picking

All preschoolers, children, and their families are invited to go with us to Sky Top Orchard on Saturday, October 22. Meet at the church at 9 a.m. Be sure to bring a picnic lunch and money for the apple store. Please let Bonnie Burgess know by October 14 if you plan to go.

Get Ready for Fall Festival!

On Wednesday, October 26, pop-up tents will cover the front lawn of the church. If you have one we can borrow or if your Sunday School class would like to sponsor a tent, contact Tina Jimmerson or Ruth Harrison. Contributions of individually-wrapped candy are also needed. Bring them to the church.

Basketball Registration Is Now Open

Registration forms are located throughout the church for our 2011-2012 basketball season. Pick up a form and return it with your check before Sunday, October 16.



We now have a holder beside the office door to place items for the secretary and pastor. Please do not leave cash.



October 9: World Hunger Day

Sock'Em Day

Fall Festival

Planning Packets Due

October 18: JOY Club
October 23: 633 Worship
October 25: Women on Mission

October 26:

October 30: Lord's Supper and Fellowship Meal

Our church family **MATTERS**

In Case of Emergency Call

Barry Jimmerson @ 609-1845 Ruth Harrison @ 380-7850 Blue Bryan @ 243-7377

Ruth Harrison @ 380-7830

Our Homebound Member of the Week

Clara Caraway

1814 N Main Street, Greenville SC 29609

Giving to the Lord

September 25

Budget Receipts \$ 8,723 Budget Required YTD \$402,363 Budget Received YTD \$343,536 Janie Chapman \$ 2,740

Happy Birthday October 2-8

- 2: Layne Winchester, Lane Barker
- 3: Peggy Finley
- 4: PJ Henderson, Walker Lewis
- 5: Brian Thomsen
- 6: Tim Few
- 7: Lynn Riddle
- 8: Anne Danciu, Del Sabean, Steven Hill, Jacob Sams, Jeremy Sams, John Sams

Happy Anniversary October 2-8

- 2: Tyler and Stacey Simpson
- 7: Blue and Heather Bryan
- 8: Cecil and Bonnie Arey

Call the office before noon on Tuesday to remove your name from the permanent list or to add it for the week. Payment will be expected the next week for meals not canceled by this time.

Menu for 10/5: Sirloin tip roast, potatoes, green beans, glazed carrots, fudge cake

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Return Service Requested

Ministers the Week of October 2-8

Every member a minister

Deacons of the Month: Jack Dill, Tom Simon, Will Moore

Preschool Worship: Bonnie Burgess, Chasie Bearden, Danette Hunter, Joel and Valia Warren, Tiffany Bannister

Preschool Sunday School: Janet Cartee, Joan Hall

Wednesday Ministers: Bonnie Burgess, Tiffany Bannister

Children's Church: Cynthia Hudson, Beth Todd

Ushers: Robby Bannister, Chasie Bearden, Mills Hunter,

Harry Cunningham

Sound/Video Projection: John Folk, Debbie Hudson, Taft Jimmerson

Counter: Marian Huskey

Fellowship Meal: Melissa Lawton, Peter Danciu, Ted Garner,

Carole Coker, Eunice Graham

Church Staff

Pastor: Barry Jimmerson

Minister of Students and Children: Blue Bryan Minister of Children/Preschool: Ruth Harrison

Worship Leader: Richard Hendricks

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Northgate Baptist Church Pastor, Dr. Barry Jimmerson



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Sunday Is Friend Day!



need to make new friends. Friend Day is a great time to do that. Have you invited someone to come to Sunday School and worship with you this Sunday? We all have old friends we need to contact and we all





We have cards available to use as invitations or just pick up the phone and call them.

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