

Butner, NC

***“REACH,
TEACH,
PREPARE,
SEND”***

**Sunday, January 4, 2026
11:00 a.m.
Worship Service**

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Order of Service

January 4, 2026

Prelude		Evelyn Davis
	<i>“God So Loved the World”</i>	
	<i>“How Great Thou Art”</i>	
Welcome, Announcements, & Invocation		Blaine Britt
Hymn of Praise		Congregation
<i>“How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”</i>		TOWNEND
Morning Prayer		Dr. Jeff Beckett
Offertory Hymn. No. 368		Congregation
<i>“Here, at Your Table, Lord”</i>		BREAD OF LIFE
Offertory Prayer		Esper Wilkins
Offertory		Evelyn Davis
<i>“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”</i>		
<i>“I Love to Tell the Story”</i>		
Doxology, No. 253		Congregation
<i>“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”</i>		OLD 100 TH (altered)
Video Transition	<i>“Communion: In Remembrance”</i>	
	<i>(Children Exit to Children’s Church during the Video Transition)</i>	
The Act of Communion		
Instrumental Anthem		Blaine Britt & Alex Cone
<i>“In Remembrance”</i>		Buryl Red
Communion Devotion		Dr. Jeff Beckett
	<i>“Broken: A Communion Devotion”</i>	
	<i>Mark 14:1-9</i>	
Hymn of Invitation, No. 210		Congregation
<i>“My Jesus, I Love Thee”</i>		GORDON
Benediction		Dr. Jeff Beckett

Sermon Notes

Communion is an odd thing... we are celebrating a death... why?
Because in this particular death there is really only life!

Mark records that at a crowded dinner party shortly before Jesus' death... it was an unlikely woman who understood what was at stake, what was about to happen on a cross, and she offered Jesus her gift and herself, broken and poured out.

1. It is impossible to receive the gift of Jesus' death if we have not been broken and emptied of our selves!
 - a. Some are convinced they don't really need a Savior, only a celebrity
 - b. Others are just going along for the "religious ride" to see where it leads
 - c. But in our text, there was at least one person who was broken, and ready to receive Jesus' actions on the cross.

Application thought: Could it be the reason we struggle with brokenness is that we are too proud or calloused to fully see/face our sin? Therefore, not adequately grateful for our sin's cure...

2. When we are broken... anything we are asked to pour out for Jesus seems worth it!
 - a. Jesus often encouraged would be followers to "count the cost."
 - b. Jesus compared the Kingdom of God to great but sometimes hidden treasure.
 - c. In communion we are reflecting on the cost for Jesus, but what is the cost for us?

Application: The contrast between the woman and Judas in this passage highlights the difference between one who follows Jesus hesitantly, half-heartedly, narcissistically... and one who follows Jesus as if their very life depended on it... as if their life drawn from His life... which of these two are you most resembling today?

3. When we are broken and poured out, the usual constraints and fears melt into the brilliant, bright person of the Son of God, Jesus!
 - a. Is it possible that she loved Jesus so much that she never really saw or heard any of the others in the room... can the call of the cross drown out the clatter of the crowd? Yes

Response: Lord, forgive us for offering you unbroken jars... full of us, full of pride. Whatever you ask us to pour out today, we acknowledge that you are more than worth it.

Announcements

Save the Date

Jan 4th: Women's Bible Study will resume at 6pm (FLC)

Jan 5th: Heart Sisters Meeting at 6:30pm (FLC)

Jan 8th: Men's Bible Study at 8am (FH)

Jan 10th: Morning Glory Bingo Outreach at 10:30am (Heart Sisters)

Town Hall Meeting

Our Town Hall Meeting will be on **Wednesday, January 14th**, right after our brief business meeting. Please be in prayer for this meeting and consider to be in attendance for this meeting.

2026 Church Directories

2026 Church Directories will be available towards the end of January. I need to have all the information from committees for the 2026 Church Directory turned into me no later than **Monday, January 16th**. Thank you!

Youth Lock-In

The youth will have a Lock-in beginning at 7:00pm on **Friday, January 16th** and ending at 8:00am on **Saturday, January 17th**. More details are coming soon. Please sign up in Realm if you would like to attend or let Blaine know.

February Newsletter

All information for the February Newsletter needs to be turned into Leslie no later than **Friday, January 23rd**. Thank you!

Winter Jam

We will be going to Winter Jam on **Saturday, February 14th** at the Greensboro Coliseum. The cost will be \$25 for youth (cost covers ticket and meal). The cost for adults will be \$35 for the ticket, and adults will cover their own meal. We will eat an early dinner at a Japanese Steakhouse before going to the concert. If paying online, please select "Youth-D" as the fund to give to. We will leave around 2:30pm and return around 12:00am. Please register by **January 11th** if you would like to attend. Lineup: Chris Tomlin, Matthew West, Katy Nichole, Hulvey, Disciple, Emerson Day, Newsong, Jeremy Rosado, Heath Brothers, Cliff Preston, & speaker: Zane Black.

Children and Youth Medical Forms

It is time to update Medical and General Release Forms that would be used in the event of a medical emergency while on a children or youth activity/trip with the church. Forms can be found online, or you can get a physical copy from Blaine.

In Memory

We have received a donation in honor of the ***Children and Grandchildren of Pat Watson*** given by Pat Watson. We have received donations in memory of ***Linda Evers Cone and John & Rose Evers*** given by Susan Brantley and John & Deborah Evers designated to the Ruth Helms Prayer Group. We have received a donation in memory of ***Marshall Dixon*** given by Glenda Hope designated to Children & Youth Camps. We have received a donation in honor of ***Jimmy & Teresa Walker and Sandy Fuquay*** given by Glenda Hope designated to Children & Youth Camps.



CCM Toy Ministry: Items for Christmas Stockings: **January –**
Children's toothbrushes - no multipacks

Central Regional Hospital: In continuous need of used magazines.

Butner Church Council Food Pantry Most Needed Items:
Peanut butter, jelly, canned potatoes or mashed potatoes, canned fruit, canned vegetables and breakfast foods (cereal, oatmeal).

Special Needed Items: toilet paper, sanitary items, diapers (any size) and baby wipes

*Collection bins for all mission needs are labeled and are in the office hallway unless otherwise noted

"He gives power to the weak, and to those who have no might He increases strength...Those who wait on the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint."

— ISAIAH 40:29,31



Hospital/Health Concerns:

Fran Strickland

John Evers

Allan Kempinski

Doug Skinner

Dennis Lester

Homebound:

Joy Hicks

Paulette Duke

JoAnne Fields

Hazel Andrews

Jack Parrish

Goldie Woodlief

Frances Blackley

Mary Ellen Forsythe

Love
and
Prayers

Nursing/Retirement/Rehab:

Maxine Rogers-Byrd,

Eno Pointe



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, January 4 - Communion

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School (Nursery-Adult)
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Service
- 6:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study Resumes (FLC)

Monday, January 5

- 6:30 p.m. Heart Sisters Meeting (FLC)

Tuesday, January 6

- 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting and Bible Study (Ends at 11 a.m.)

Wednesday, January 7

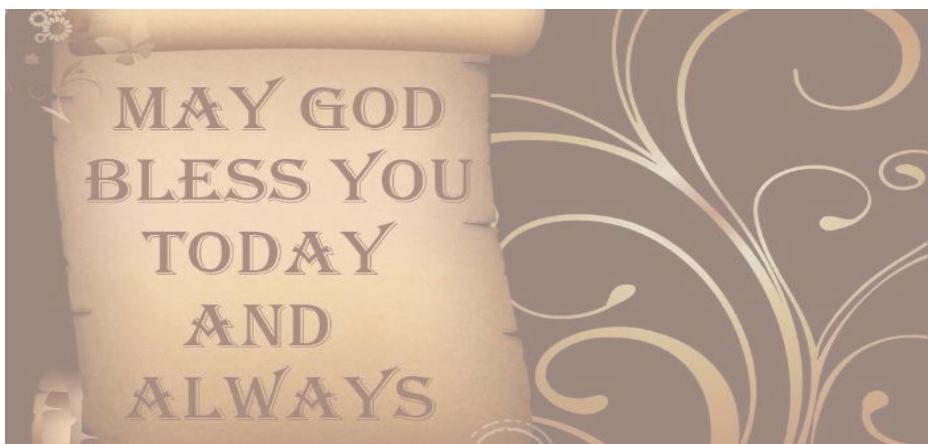
- 5:45 p.m. Fellowship Meal: Lasagna, 7-layer salad, bread & dessert (Cecily McDowell's Team)
- 6:30 p.m. Younger Children's Bible Study
- 6:30 p.m. Older Children's Bible Study
- 6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study
- 6:30 p.m. Young Adult Bible Study
- 6:15 p.m. Adult Bible Study
- 7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, January 8

- 8:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (FH)

Sunday, January 11

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School (Nursery-Adult)
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Service
- 6:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study (FLC)



Children's Helpers		
Location:	January 4	January 11
Nursery	Whitney Harris	Meghan & Matt Harrison
Pre-K Church	Cecily McDowell	Deborah & Tracy Ferrell
Children's Church	Stacy Ayscue	Cecily McDowell & Lisa Clark

Deacon Assignments		
	January 4	January 11
Deacon of the Week Main Door	Esper Wilkins	TBA
Sunday School Door	TBA	TBA

Attendance For Last Sunday

Sunday School
 Members in class – 44
 Members On-Line – 3
 Worship Service – 89
Lottie Moon Total:
 \$1,860.00

Financial Report

General Budget Needs
Dec 2025
\$34,548.48
General Budget Received
Dec 2025
\$41,185.73

Note: Designated Received
\$10,223.42

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