



Welcome

Sunday, October 11, 2026

Wednesday Evening Activities

October 14

5:15 p.m. Family Night Meal
Cost: \$6.00/adult, \$4.00/child, \$20.00/family
Menu: breakfast for dinner

6:00 p.m. Music & Missions for Children & Youth on Mission

6:00 p.m. Adult Small Groups

Senior Adult Luncheon

Thursday, October 15, 2026—11:00 a.m.

The Gospelairens will entertain. The menu includes pork chops, cabbage, buttered noodles, and dessert. Cost is \$6 payable at the door. Please make your reservation by Monday, October 12.

Expanding Ministry Services & Connecting with Youth in Our Schools Ministry Launch Meetings

Sunday, October 18, 2026—11:00 a.m.—Adams Hall

All those interested in serving in these new ministries are encouraged to attend these launch meetings immediately following the worship service. Lunch will be served in Adams Hall. The Expanding Ministry Service Team will review existing ministries, explore unmet needs, and determine how we might partner with others or create new ministries to meet those needs. Connecting with Youth Ministry will seek to partner with local schools to help students gain access to community service hours in partnership with our church's ministries.

FBC Women's Ministry

Thursday, October 22, 2026

The FBC Women's Ministry annual ladies event is Thursday, October 22, 2026. The guest speaker is Monica Hosch from Beulah Baptist Church, Statesville. Tickets are on sale now in the Welcome Center between Sunday School and Worship Service.

Children's Music & Missions Day

Saturday, October 24, 2026—First Baptist Church of Mount Holly



Children (K—grade 5) are invited a fun Missions Day at First Baptist Church of Mount Holly. We will meet at the church at 8:00 a.m. to leave by 8:15 a.m. to go to FBC Mt. Holly. We will return by 3:00 p.m. Each child will need to pack a lunch. Kids will experience a Godly Play story, complete a mission project, help lead in worship and create a craft. There will be an offering collected of items for Nourish Life to help alleviate hunger. Use the QR code to register.

Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 25, 2026—5:30 p.m.

All children are invited for a fun evening of trunk or treating! We are accepting candy donations now. You may bring your donations by on Sunday mornings or Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. or Friday, 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. You may also sign up to decorate your trunk.



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Entitlement

Part of the Series: Enemies of Gratitude

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Jesus spoke to them again in parables, saying: ² “The kingdom of heaven is like a king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son. ³ He sent his servants to those who had been invited to the banquet to tell them to come, but they refused to come.

⁴ “Then he sent some more servants and said, ‘Tell those who have been invited that I have prepared my dinner: My oxen and fattened cattle have been butchered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding banquet.’

⁵ “But they paid no attention and went off—one to his field, another to his business. ⁶ The rest seized his servants, mistreated them and killed them. ⁷ The king was enraged. He sent his army and destroyed those murderers and burned their city.

⁸ “Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding banquet is ready, but those I invited did not deserve to come. ⁹ So go to the street corners and invite to the banquet anyone you find.’ ¹⁰ So the servants went out into the streets and gathered all the people they could find, the bad as well as the good, and the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹ “But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing wedding clothes. ¹² He asked, ‘How did you get in here without wedding clothes, friend?’ The man was speechless.

¹³ “Then the king told the attendants, ‘Tie him hand and foot, and throw him outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

¹⁴ “For many are invited, but few are chosen.”

Matthew 22:1-14

Weddings are Big Events!

Gratitude is the Proper Response to Grace

Entitlement Destroys Grace

Entitlement Leads to Ingratitude

Those Who Don't Show Up

Those Who Show Up Unprepared

Gratitude Transforms Us for the Better