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Currents

Letting God's currents carry us through Life

The Mission of the bridge Presbyterian Church is to help active adults connect with God's people, discover God's presence, learn God's promises, and embrace their unique God-given purpose for their lives.

Worship Together Weekly

We welcome Rev. Bill Young for the Summer

Sunday, August 9, 2026

“In the End”

Matthew 14:22-33

10:00 am – Worship Service

livestreamed on Facebook and YouTube

Links to all videos posted by the bridge on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/@thebridgepresbyterianchurc4433/streams>

Information for the Summer

Week of 8/9 – 8/15/26

Elder on Call

Ruth Fitzsimmons – 614-588-2390

You can reach Rev. Young
at revbillyoung@yahoo.com or 910-876-2289

You can contact Rev. Young or contact Wanda to set up an appointment.

Church office Hours will be normal hours

Mon – Thursday 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Friday 8:00 am to Noon

910-769-4951 or thebridgepres@gmail.com

**Please remember to reach out to the Elder on Call, Rev
Young or Wanda. Please do not call, text or email Dr.
Doug.**

Find Purpose through Service

Sunday, Aug 9, 2026

Coffee Servers - 10:00 – Susan and Pat

Greeters/Ushers - 10: 00 – Wingerts

Liturgists
10:00 – Charlynn C.

Are you ready to be Connected by Serving?

*Help with Coffee * Greet People * Usher*

Let Wanda in the office know and she will get you connected.

Give Gratefully

	8/2/26		
Total Weekly Giving	\$4,817	10:00 am Service	122
Pledge Fulfillment			
		Attendance (4 wk avg)	93

Pray Daily

PRAYER LIST August 6, 2026

ADDITIONS

- Prayers for John Larkin's family with his passing. Please keep Regina, his children, and grandchildren in your prayer.
- Prayers for Tom Rodman who will be having bypass surgery on August 19th.

ONGOING

- Prayers for Anne Graham's friend Mark Gilreath. He just received his ALS diagnosis.
- Continued prayers for Manny Rosenfeld for healing and ultimate restored sight following his eye surgery.
- Please pray for Peggy, Judy Bath's Mom, who is now living with Judy and Jim as she can no longer live alone. Prayers that she finds comfort and peace in their home.
- Prayers for Kayn, an 18-month-old little boy whose family is friends with Donna Maher's daughter. He is receiving chemo for a large liver tumor at Children's Hospital in DC.
- Prayers for Robert, a relative of Donna Maher's family who has had an emergency liver transplant with complications. He is In VCU hospital in Richmond.
- Prayers for Bettye Weihs' friend Sean Fleming. He has had reconstructive surgery and is home with anticipated lengthy rehab.
- Prayers for George Robertson to continue to improve.
- Prayers for Marilyn Vernon who is on new cancer protocol.
- Lynn Hale: prayers for Lynn as she continues in her cancer journey.
- Continued prayers for Mark Painley and his family as he moved on Friday to Duke Specialty Hospital for rehab.
- Prayers for Dr. Doug as he continues his sabbatical.

AROUND THE WORLD

- Prayers for our country and leadership.
- Prayers for the countries around the world dealing with natural disasters.

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

To make a prayer request, please email Wanda at thebridgepres@gmail.com

Find Purpose through Service



August Mission Partners **Brunswick County Schools**

AUGUST IS ...BRUNSWICK COUNTY SCHOOLS SCHOOL SUPPLIES MISSION MONTH

Below are lists of items that are needed for the elementary and middle schools. Please put donations in the bins in the church foyer. Thank you in advance for your generous donations to help children be prepared for a great school year!

Please contact Marybeth Christiano with any questions. (mbc8@hotmail.com)

- Sturdy book bag (some with laptop sleeve)
- 14" Chromebook laptop sleeve
- 24 pencils
- Pencil pouch/box
- Colored pencils
- Black, blue, & red pens
- Purple glue sticks
- Headphones (no earbuds)
- Crayons
- Markers
- Blunt tip Fiskar scissors
- Leakproof reusable water bottles
- Pink erasers & pencil top erasers
- Skinny dry erase Expo markers
- Marble notebooks
- Spiral notebooks 3 pack post-it notes
- 2 pocket folders



2026 Church Wide Food Drive

The Mission Team has approved joining a church wide food drive sponsored by Brunswick Family Assistance to help them with the growing demand for food assistance in our community.

The need in Brunswick County is significant and continues to grow. In the first quarter of last year BFA distributed 85,093 pounds of food. In the first quarter of this year, that number increased to 140,255 pounds distributed to Brunswick County residents. These numbers reflect the growing demand for food assistance in our community.

THANK YOU!

**THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING DONATING TO THE
BRUNSWICK FAMILY ASSISTANCE FOOD DRIVE.**

Below is a list of items we especially need.

Please know, any & all donations are much appreciated.

- PEANUT BUTTER
- SPAGHETTI SAUCE
- CANNED TUNA
- BAKED BEANS
- GRITS/OATMEAL
- CANNED FRUIT
- MAYO/MUSTARO
- MUFFIN/BREAD MIXES
- BOTTLED WATER
- RICE (small bags)
- SHELF MILK
- CANNED CHICKEN
- PORK n' BEANS
- SUGAR/FLOUR
- BAKING MIXES
- KETCHUP/BBQ SAUCE
- COOKIES/CRACKERS
- PASTA NOCOLES (any style)
- CANNED VEGETABLES
- MEAL HELPERS
- CEREAL
- COFFEE/TEA/ JUICE
- SALT/PEPPER/SPICES
- CANNED POTATOES
- CHIPS

**AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME,
CONSIDERATION & GENEROUS HEART.**



the **Bridge**
Presbyterian Church

Copies of this list are on the sign up table in the hallway

Items can be left in the tub in the hallway

Find Purpose through Service



Our next Worship Service at The Bluefields Memory Care will be **Thursday, August 6th at 1:30p.m.** in the Activities Room. Volunteers are needed to help the residents with songbooks, purchase/serve cookies, sing along, and enjoy worshipping God with our Bluefields friends.

If you would like to join us in this ministry, please wear your bridge tee shirt, if you have one, and arrive by 1:20p.m. For more information or if you are bringing cookies for the residents, contact Susan Stanewick at ssanewick@gmail.com



Our next Craft Day at The Bluefields Memory Care will be **Thursday, August 27 at 2:00 p.m.** in the Activities Room.

If you would like to join the fun in helping our friends, please arrive by 1:45 and wear your bridge tee shirt, if you have one.

Any questions please email

Patti Pirher at

ppirher@gmail.com

Find Purpose through Service



THE BLUEFIELDS
MEMORY CARE

For Craft Day at The Bluefields Memory Care, we made butterfly sun catchers with our friends.



Invitation to an afternoon at Gregory Farms

Gregory Farms and Vineyard is a family-owned blueberry farm, vineyard, event destination offering wine, live music, and charm in Wilmington.

Join your bridge family for an afternoon of music and fellowship from noon to 5:00 PM on August 15th

Food by Eat at Eastside Subs
Live Music by Randy O
NEW THIS YEAR: Farmer's Market!

2576 Montague Rd; Currie NC

Bring chairs – No Coolers Allowed



**Sign up by August 9! Sign-up sheet or on
Realm**

See ya at the farm on August 15!

*Active Adults on the Go! will
be visiting the Karen Beasley
Sea Turtle Rescue and
Rehabilitation Hospital on
August 25.*



SEA TURTLE ADVENTURE

Meet at church at 9:00 am

Car pool to Surf City

*Learn about the gentle and
amazing Sea Turtles!*

*Tickets are \$7.00 per participant and
must be purchased by Aug 9.*

*You can register (and pay) online through Realm or on the
sign-up sheet in the hallway (if paying by check, write
Turtle on the memo line).*



*Lunch afterwards at
Shuckin' Shack in Surf City*

*3460 NC 50 #101
Surf City, NC*



All are invited to a fun
and festive event at
Mike's Farm!

December 12, 2026

Every year, Mike's Farm is a
Sell-Out event in our area! Due
to its huge popularity, tickets
sell out super-fast! Don't miss
your opportunity to join in the
Holiday fun with your Church
Family!



Tickets must be purchased in advance by August 31, 2026.

Sign up on Realm or in the Hall Way - Note Mike's Farm in the memo



\$70*

**Dinner, Show,
and Hayride**

2:00 PM

\$40*

**Dinner and
Hayride Only**

4:00 PM

**Ask Ruth about children's ticket prices*

Active Adults on the Go!

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

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AUGUST 15

GREGORY FARMS

Join together for an afternoon of music
& fellowship from noon - 5:00 pm

NEW THIS YEAR: Famer's Market

Food by Eat at Eastside Subs
2576 Montague Rd; Currie NC

SIGN UP BY AUG 9

-NO COOLERS-

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AUGUST 25

SEA TURTLE ADVENTURE

Meet at church at 9:00 am

Car pool to Surf City

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Lunch afterwards at Shuckin' Shack

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SEPTEMBER

CHRIST CRUISE

- Opportunities to connect with others in the community
- Encouraging worship/fellowship
- Beautiful scenery and peaceful time on the water

SEE THE SIGN UP SHEET

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OCTOBER

CHRSTIAN ILLUSIONIST

Here's an alternative to Trick-or-Treating! Come be DAZZZLED & AMAZED by Don Townsend

6:00 - 8:00 PM in the sanctuary

Snacks provided

Love offering will be taken

All
Month

November

TECH TALK

Yes, for those who missed it last year, Ruth will be offering a 4-week series on computer, internet, and Windows-based products (**Microsoft Office**)

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DECEMBER

MIKE'S FARM

This Sell-Out Event includes the "Ho-Ho-Ho Christmas Variety Show", All You -Can Eat Buffett, and a hayride through a spectacular light show!

We'll have to buy tickets early!!!

Pricing forthcoming

FOR MORE INFORMATION - RUTH FITZSIMMONS - 614-588-2390 - R.FITZSI55@GMAIL.COM



Covenant Partners Norman and Judy Spain will be participating in the Camino de Santiago or the Way of Saint James.

This is a network of pilgrimage routes culminating at the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela in Galicia, northwestern Spain, where the remains of Saint James the Apostle are believed to be buried.

Pilgrims have walked these routes for over a thousand years, combining spiritual reflection, cultural exploration, and physical challenge.

Our journey on this route will be accomplished via bicycling 566 miles from August 10 through August 25 starting at Pamplona, Spain, and ending in Santiago.

If you would like to see pictures of our journey, please “friend” Judy on Facebook at JWSpain.

And we ask your prayers for a safe and spiritually fulfilling journey.

Thank you,
Judy and Norman

Celebrate Life's Milestones

August

Birthdays

Debby Rosamilia	1
Steve Betz	7
Sandra Huth	7
Terry Hickey	10
Mike Spradley	11
Penny Turlik	13
Brod Hale	22
Theresa Skerlick	22
Linda Lehmann	27
Lisa Garris	28
Bill Faulk	29
Tom Early	30
Eddie Pirher	30

Anniversaries

Fatima and Jon Beals	Aug 3rd
Ann and Mike Tydings	Aug 12th
Ken and Mary Campbell	Aug 24th
Michael and Ronnie Marchand	Aug 25th
Norman and Judy Spain	Aug 27th

Upcoming Happenings

August

6th - Bluefield Worship - 1:30

7th - New Hope Mobile Clinic

15th - Gregory Farm - 12:00

25th - Karen Beasley Turtle Center - 9:00 am

27th - Bluefield Craft - 2:00

30th - 5th Sunday – 5th Sunday Pot Luck