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Notes



Welcome to Ball Camp Baptist Church

We're glad you're worshiping with us today. Whether you're visiting or call Ball Camp home, we hope you feel welcomed and encouraged.

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August 23, 2026

“The Road Less Taken”
John 4:1-42
Sermon by Rev. Tina Collins

ORDER OF WORSHIP	
THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST	
Musical Prelude	Thea Carter
Call To Worship	Choir and Congregation
<i>Sweet, Sweet Spirit</i>	
Opening Prayer	Ron Harrison
Welcome to Worshipers	Rev. Holly Farler
Greeting of Worshipers	
<i>Hymn No. 477 - We Are Called to Be God's People</i>	
Children's Sermon	Rev. Holly Farler
Congregational Hymn No. 488	
<i>Come, All Christians, Be Committed</i>	
Pastoral Prayer	Rev. Kyle Hodge
<i>The Lord's Prayer</i>	
Choral Worship	Sanctuary Choir
<i>Be Unto Your Name</i>	
Congregational Hymn No. 617	
<i>Heavenly Sunlight</i>	
Scripture Reading from the Gospel - (sermon passage)	
<i>John 4:1-42</i>	
Sermon	Rev. Tina Collins
<i>“The Road Less Taken”</i>	
Hymn of Response	
<i>No. 471 - Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy</i>	
Benediction	Rev. Tina Collins
Postlude	Thea Carter

A WORD FROM PASTOR TINA

Most of us have roads we travel every day and roads we would rather avoid. Sometimes those roads lead through unfamiliar places. Sometimes they lead toward people whose lives, experiences, or perspectives are different from our own. It is easy to stay on the familiar path, surrounded by people who look like us, think like us, and make us comfortable. But the way of Jesus has never been limited to the comfortable road.

Today, we will look at a passage from John’s gospel. We are told that Jesus “had to go through Samaria.” There were other ways to Galilee, and many travelers chose those paths specifically to avoid the Samaritan people. But Jesus took the road others avoided, and there he encountered a woman others might have easily overlooked. He saw her, listened to her, and treated her as someone whose questions, story, and voice mattered. Jesus reminds us that every person we meet carries a story we do not fully know and bears the image of God.

Perhaps the question for us today is not simply, Who would Jesus welcome? But Where would Jesus go? Who are the people we have learned not to notice? What conversations have we avoided? What roads have we decided are not for us? Following Jesus may sometimes mean choosing the road less taken. The road that carries us beyond what is familiar and comfortable. And when we find the courage to travel it, we may discover that Jesus has already gone ahead of us and is waiting there.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are looking forward to welcoming **Rev. Dr. Mike Smith** as our Transitional Pastor on Sunday, September 6! Dr. Smith brings decades of faithful pastoral leadership, biblical teaching, and experience guiding churches through seasons of transition.

To help everyone get to know Mike, we will gather for a special **Sunday Morning Meet & Greet** at 9:45 a.m. on September 6. This will take the place of Sunday School that morning and is for everyone! Please bring a breakfast finger food to share and join us for a time of fellowship and conversation.

Wednesday Night Dinners Are Back!
Enjoy a delicious meal this week while spending time in fellowship with our church family. This week’s menu is country fried steak and gravy, mashed potatoes, roasted zucchini, and cookies. Sign up via email or call the church office. The cost is \$8 for ages 12 and up, \$6 for ages 5-11, kids under 4 are free, and the family max is \$25.

WEEKLY GIVING

Budget Offering	\$3,812.00
Building Fund	\$125.00
Benevolence	\$205.00
Total	\$4,142.00

COMMUNITY NOTES

Wednesday, August 26
Wednesday Night Dinner - 5:00pm
Adult Bible Study - 6:00pm
Choir Practice – 6:45pm

Sunday, August 30
Sunday School (all ages) – 9:45 AM
Worship Service – 11:00 AM
Sanctuary & Facebook Live

Door Greeters
9:30–10:30 – Sherri Satterfield
10:30–10:55 – Tim Thompson

Service and Mission Opportunities
Blessing Box
Please bring in non-perishable items if you happen to come across them on sale or if you have extra as we are running low in stock.

Lunch Helpers for Ball Camp Elementary – Help us give Ball Camp’s kindergarteners a great start to the school year! Volunteers are needed August 24–28 to lend an extra hand during lunchtime by helping students open lunch items and offering a friendly smile and encouragement. We’ll meet in the church parking lot at 9:45 a.m. each day. Contact Janie Wallace for more information.