

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY!

9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

AFTER EASTER

John 20:19-31

Join us in person or, by way of live stream or radio broadcast WQUL 101.7 FM 1510 AM or later on the church YouTube channel. An order of service will be posted on our web site.

11:00 AM CALLED CONFERENCE

6:00 PM INTERACTIVE BIBLE STUDY
BLESSED ARE THE CHOSEN

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Levi Brown, 4-25 Jessica Lambert, 4-25
Tonya Jett, 4-26 Carrie Ketterman, 4-27
Courtney Morgan, 4-28 Sergey Culbreath, 4-29
Mason Meadows, 4-29 Ed Mobley, 4-29

CONGRATULATIONS!

Kate Hames will turn 99 years old on May 2.
Cards may be sent to:
103 Waddell Road Woodruff, SC 29388.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

We extend our love and prayerful support to **Jane Hendrix** and family in the death of her brother, and **Harold Brock** and family in the death of his brother in law, **Larry Montjoy**.

THE PARABLES OF JESUS

Join us on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm as our lives are changed through a study of Jesus' incredible parables.

April 20: Illustrations and Parables in Matthew 12

April 27: The Parable of the Growing Seed
Mark 4:26-29

Illustration of the Cursed Fig Tree
Mark 11:12-25

JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL!

A Place to Grow and Belong!

Each Sunday * 9:00 am

You are invited to join us for Bible study! A nursery will be provided. Contact us if you would like more information about which class to attend.

YOUNG COUPLES' BIBLE STUDY

All young couples are invited to join us for Bible study on Sunday mornings. It meets at 9:00 am in the room next to the youth room.

LIVE RADIO BROADCAST

Each Sunday * 10:00 am

Woodruff Radio WQUL 101.7 FM 1510 AM

BLESSED ARE THE CHOSEN!

New Study * This Sunday, April 24 * 6:00 pm

Paralleling each episode of The Chosen (season 2) the new study will connect us to the Bible and to the teachings of Jesus in a brand-new way. We will dive deep into the Sermon on the Mount and what it reveals about God's character, power and promises for those who follow Jesus. Once we belong to Jesus we are given a new identity and ushered into a new reality that is sure, imminent and permanent. And so... we have hope no matter our circumstances.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Wednesdays in June
(June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29)

5:30 – 7:30 pm * K4 – Grade 5

A light supper will be served.

You must preregister to attend. Registration information will be coming soon!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Join us for a wonderful study – *About Gideon: Your Weakness, God's Strength*. The study will encourage you to recognize your weakness as the key that the Lord gives you to unlock His strength in your life. Come be part of the morning group or the evening group.

Mondays * 11:00 am * Builders' Room

Led by Sandy Farmer & Lisa Abercrombie

Thursdays * 7:00 pm * Builder's Room

Led by Christy Thompson

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays * 6:30 pm

No More Excuses:

Over the last several weeks, the men have been meeting in the fellowship hall to dig into God's word and discover His design for true Biblical manhood. As Christian men, so much has been stolen from us. The world has led us away from God's definition of leadership, integrity, love, & legacy, and has found itself in desperate need of the very thing it has worked so hard to destroy. Throughout our study entitled "*No More Excuses*" we have been challenged to become the men that God created us to be. God has been digging into our lives in ways that have been uncomfortable, but as a band of brothers in Woodruff, we've been strengthened!

Men's Campout – May 6

After the study wraps up, we will celebrate with a Friday night campout behind the church, May 6. Some will camp overnight, some will head home after the campfire and come back in the morning in time for breakfast and devotions. Come be part of what God is doing in the hearts of men in our church! "No More Excuses!"

CALLED CHURCH CONFERENCE

To act on recommendations from the WFBC Christian Learning Center Board concerning establishing an "After School" Ministry

This Sunday, April 24 * After the Morning Service

We hope to create a further opportunity to teach the children and families of our community about the love of Jesus by providing an afterschool ministry beginning this August. It will be called the "Christian Enrichment Center." Board members are in the process of creating handbooks, policies, procedures and working through the various logistics and plan to have a proposal for the church at the called conference.

Work continues on a "Daycare" ministry (Christian Learning Center) but due to all that will be involved, it will be at least the fall of 2023 before this could begin.

CHRISTIAN LEARNING CENTER BOARD & DEACONS' MEETING

Thursday, April 21 * 6:00 pm * Fellowship Hall

COOKS NEEDED! – FCA BREAKFAST

Thursday, April 28 * 6:45 am * FBC Fellowship Hall
Let us know if you would like to help cook breakfast for the WHS & WMS Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

SUMMER YOUTH CAMP

MFuge at Ridgecrest, NC – July 13-17

See Bryan Thompson to reserve a spot.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

We are preparing a Graduate Recognition Service on **Sunday, May 15**. If you know of someone who could be included, please contact the church office.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Exalt the Lord, who has established us!

Thursday, May 5

CLOTHES CLOSET

In May, our church will be staffing the **Woodruff Community Clothes Closet** on Saturdays from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Contact us if you can help.

HELPING HANDS CAR SHOW

Saturday, April 23 * 8:00 am – 12:00 pm
Woodruff Church of God * Fun, Food, & More

STONE SOUP

STORYTELLING FESTIVAL

April 21-24 * Woodruff, SC

www.stonesoup.org/festival/

The majority of events take place at MUSE 134 (134 S. Main Street, Woodruff, SC 29388).



SEASON OF PRAYER

For Missions in North America

Church Goal: \$3,500.00

Received: \$2,380.00

Please consider what you will give to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering as we seek to reach the people of North America. Only the love of Christ can bring the help and hope that is so desperately needed.

All Ladies are invited to join us for a

LADIES SPRING TEA!

Saturday, May 14 * 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Come join us for a fun tea party & time of encouragement as we learn about *The Teacup Story* and *What's In Our Cups*. We would love for all of our ladies & girls from our church to be part of this special event. See Lisa if you would like to attend. Tickets are \$5 each and must be purchased by **May 1**.

CARE VISITS

Thursday, April 28 * 8:30 am

Join with us as we visit our Care Residents that are in facilities in the Greenville and Simpsonville areas. We will eat lunch together after the visits. Please sign up in the office if you plan to join us. See Lisa for more information. All are welcome!

SENIOR ADULT OUTING

J. Peter's * Monday, April 25 * 4:30 pm

Come enjoy food and fellowship with our Senior Adults with dinner at J. Peter's in Mauldin. Please sign up in the church office if you plan to join us. We are looking forward to a fun time!

HELP WANTED!

We are looking for volunteers who are interested in helping with Nursery, Children's Church, Vacation Bible School, summer activities and more. Please contact Lisa if you are willing to give of your time and talents to serve God and help disciple our children.

ONLINE GIVING

Secure online giving is available
on our church website: www.fbcwoodruff.org

FINANCIAL REPORT

BUDGET	Apr 17	2022
Needs	\$ 8,962.37	\$143,397.92
Offering	\$ 5,804.00	\$140,781.56
Over/(Under)	(\$ 3,158.37)	(\$ 2,616.36)
Additional Offerings Given for Special Accounts		
Annie Armstrong	\$	210.00
Stewardship Fund	\$	3.75
Youth Summer Retreat	\$	60.00

PRAY FOR UKRAINE

Through Send Relief, IMB personnel and their local partners are actively ministering to Ukrainians escaping the escalating war. **100% of your gift** is used to provide emergency supplies, water, shelter and clothing and show the love of Christ in practical ways. Give today to bring help and the hope of Christ to hurting Ukrainian families at imb.org/Ukraine or simply mark "Ukraine" on your contribution envelope or online gift to the church.

"*You are safe.*" These were the words a Ukrainian woman, her daughter and an elderly woman needed to hear while waiting for their train. "*Breathe in. Breathe out.*" Mickey Ebert told a woman and her daughter at a train station in Suceava, Romania. Ebert leads a team of Southern Baptist Disaster Relief volunteers. She's a member of First Baptist Church in Independence, Missouri. To date, Southern Baptists have donated more than \$8 million to Send Relief for Ukrainian relief efforts.

"*Leaving at 10 years old, you may have had to leave your pet. At 10 years old, all your safety is with your school, your home, your parents. If she has a father, he's there fighting. There's no adventure. There's just grief and sadness and that feeling of leaving all that you knew.*" Ebert asked the mother and daughter if she could pray for them. Before leaving, Ebert told the girl she was beautiful. "*No, you are beautiful,*" the girl told her.

Ebert noticed an older refugee woman sitting a few seats down from the mother and daughter. The woman sniffled and wiped away tears. The night before four rockets landed near her home. One of them exploded. She didn't know what happened to those who were near, and she was worried about the people who remain in her town. Though there are no alarms or bombs on this side of the border in Suceava, she said she still hears ringing in her ears – the sirens are not abating in her mind or memory. "*Tell her she is safe now,*" Ebert told a translator. "*When you turn on the TV you see war; when you turn on your phone, you see the war. You can't escape the reality; you can't get over it; you can't just ignore it because you have no way to ignore it,*" the woman told Ebert.

"*She even prays for the Russians to be healthy because you have to pray even for the enemy. It doesn't matter. No one should die,*" Klara translated. Jesus said you should love your enemy, the woman explained, and she was raised to believe this. "*Earlier we prayed for health; now we pray for peace,*" the woman said. Ebert and the older woman bowed their heads, and Ebert voiced a prayer asking for peace for the woman and for a silencing of the sirens in the woman's mind. "*I prayed for her, and I prayed for the Russian people. I prayed that God would hold her in His hands and give her a peace over [what's happening in] Ukraine, but also a peace in her heart and a peace in her mind,*"



DAY BY DAY

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20

5:45 pm Missions & Music (4 years to grade 5)
Youth Lighthouse (grades 6 – 12)

6:00 pm *The Parables of Jesus* - Live on YouTube

6:45 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, APRIL 21

6:00 pm CLC Board & Deacons' Meeting – Fellowship Hall

7:00 pm Ladies Bible Study – *About Gideon*

SATURDAY, APRIL 23

8:00 am Helping Hands Car – WCOG

SUNDAY, APRIL 24

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Worship Service - Live on Radio & YouTube

11:00 am Called Church Conference

6:00 pm Bible Study – *Blessed Are the Chosen!*

MONDAY, APRIL 25

11:00 am Ladies Bible Study – *About Gideon*

4:30 pm Sr Adult Outing

TUESDAY, APRIL 26

5:30 pm SCBN Executive Team Meeting

6:30 pm Men's Bible Study – *No More Excuses*

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

5:45 pm Missions & Music (4 years to grade 5)

Youth Lighthouse (grades 6 – 12)

6:00 pm *The Parables of Jesus* - Live on YouTube

6:45 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, APRIL 28

6:45 am FCA Breakfast

8:30 am Care Visits

MINISTRY PARTNERS – APRIL 24

Nursery: I Elliott, L Morgan (am)

T & S Culbreath (pm)

Children's Worship – C A Talanges, E Thompson

Welcome Center – E Westmoreland

Outside Ushers – T Hauser, S Gillespie, C Fain

Spartanburg County Baptist Network

EXECUTIVE TEAM MEETING

Tuesday, April 26 * 5:30 pm

Contact us if you would like to help represent our church.

DEACON FAMILY MINISTRY

Our deacons are committed to being part of the ministry team along with our pastor & church staff. Contact them with prayer concerns, questions, & ministry opportunities as we seek to love & care for one another.

A-Co Nick Fortner and James Talanges

Cp-G Chris Abercrombie and Matt Lineberger

H-Lc Ted Culbreath and Tommy Morgan

Ld-Q Terry Hauser and Jason Ketterman

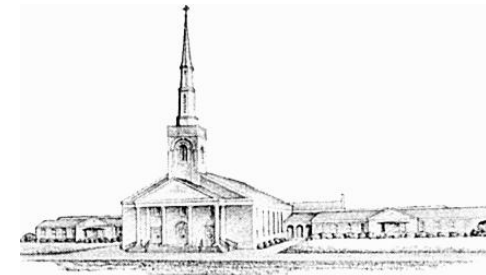
R-S Sam Cooper

T-Z Terry Sumner and Randy Rhodes

THE ENCOURAGER

"...to prepare all God's people for the work of Christian Service to build up the body of Christ."

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First Baptist Church * Woodruff, South Carolina

April 20, 2022

"Blessed
are those
who have not seen and
yet have believed."

John 20:29, NIV



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