

## PREPARING FOR SUNDAY!

**9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
**10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE**  
“AND TO KEEP ONESELF  
UNSTAINED FROM THE WORLD”  
James 1:27

Rev. Bryan Thompson, Preaching

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.

**6:00 PM INTERACTIVE BIBLE STUDY**  
**BLESSED ARE THE CHOSEN**  
“Those Who Mourn and the God Who Sees”  
Matthew 5:4; John 1:43-51

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

**Kate Hames, 5-2**      **Missy Workman, 5-3**  
**John Lehman, 5-3**    **Megan Agardi, 5-3**  
**Beau Brooks, 5-3**    **Pam Pattillo, 5-4**  
**Ami Webster, 5-4**    **Deacon Fain, 5-5**  
**Carla Bobo, 5-7**  
**Emma Lynn Lanford, 5-7**

## CONGRATULATIONS!

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

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

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

May 4: The Parable of the Two Debtors  
Luke 7:36-50

## 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.

## CHURCH CONFERENCE REPORT

At the Called Church Conference this past Sunday the church voted to proceed with the proposed after school ministry – The Enrichment Center. The church also allocated \$30,000.00 from the inheritance the church received from the estate of Michiko Phillips to be used for start up costs.

## PREACHING THIS SUNDAY

We look forward to hearing Bryan Thompson preach this Sunday morning. Bryan serves as Associate Pastor for Youth here at our church & works at Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing. Bryan has served as a pastor in Woodruff & in Mount Airy, NC. He and Christy were short term missionaries serving as church planters in Uruguay through our International Mission Board. He earned a Master of Divinity at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary and a Bachelor of Science in Bible and Business Administration from Tennessee Temple University. He and Christy have three daughters Katherine, Emilee, & Olivia. Our pastor, Andrew Shull, will be away this Sunday morning preaching the Homecoming Service at First Baptist, Johnston where he served 27 years ago.

## BLESSED ARE THE CHOSEN!

**This Sunday, May 1 \* 6:00 pm**

We will examine the second beatitude – “**Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted**” (Matthew 5:4) in the context of the call of Philip and Nathanael (John 1:43-51.)

## NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

*Exalt the Lord, who has established us!*

**Thursday, May 5**

### Woodruff Observance

Woodruff Community Center  
116 S. Main St. Woodruff 864-476-2256  
8:00 -9:00 am - Prayer Service  
8:00 am – 3:00 pm - Open for Prayer Stations

### Spartanburg Observance

12:00 pm – Prayer Service at The Beacon

## GRADUATE RECOGNITION

We are preparing a Graduate Recognition Service on **Sunday, May 15**. Forms and pictures must be turned in by Sunday, May 8. If you know of someone who could be included, please contact the church office.

## CLOTHES CLOSET

In May, our church will be staffing the **Woodruff Community Clothes Closet** on Saturdays from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. We still need an extra volunteer on May 7 and 28. Contact us if you can help.

May 7 – Catherine Hall, Susan Handel

May 14 – Emma Gray Church

May 21 – Lorretta Burdette, Jane Turner, Kathy Kobida

May 28 – Marcia & Emillia Ward

## LADIES FIRST TUESDAY

Our Titus 2 Ladies will meet at noon, **Tuesday, May 3** at Mr. Jalapeño. Please let Lisa Abercrombie know if you plan to attend.



## SEASON OF PRAYER

*For Missions in North America*

Church Goal: \$3,500.00

Received: \$3,080.00

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.

## MEN’S BIBLE STUDY

**Tuesday, April 27 & May 3 \* 6:30 pm**

*No More Excuses*

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!

### April 27: No More Half Stepping

“The missing key to seeing God move in the life of a man is surrender. It is when we place all our strength at God’s disposal. It is when we take all God has given us and place it under His control.”

### May 3: No More Standing on the Sidelines

“Following Jesus isn’t a life on the sidelines. He was never passive. He involved Himself in people’s lives. He gave His life for the sake of our salvation and for the glory of God. We follow Jesus wherever He leads. Men, Jesus will never lead you to stay on the sidelines. If you follow His voice, you’ll always be in the game.”

### May 6: Men’s Campout

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!”

## LADIES SPRING TEA!

**Saturday, May 14 \* 11:00 am – 1:00 pm**

We are looking forward to a wonderful time at our Ladies Spring Tea. We will be learning about *The Teacup Story and What’s in our Cups*. The Carroll family will be providing special music. Thank you in advance to our men for serving us and to all of our hostesses for making this an exceptional event. We look forward to giving God the glory for a wonderful time of encouragement and fellowship! See Lisa if you would like to join us!

## 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!

## WELCOME TO SUMMER

## MESSY FUN NIGHT PARTY!

**Wednesday, May 25 \* 6:00 – 7:00 pm**

Come and enjoy free food, messy fun and great fellowship as we celebrate the end of another great year and kick off summer. Wear old clothing that can get messy. Bring a can of shave cream, a towel and goggles (if desired). Friends are welcome.

## THE ENRICHMENT CENTER

**A New Afterschool Ministry – Beginning August 8**

**4 K – Grade 5 \* School Pick Up until 6:00 pm**

Registration for FBC members begins May 2

Registration for the community begins May 16

Our mission is to provide a secure, caring, and enriched Christian environment that promotes learning and development of the whole child (physical, social, emotional, intellectual, and spiritual) regardless of racial, religious, or economic backgrounds. Our unique approach to child development allows us to acknowledge and nurture children’s God-given talents. Our vision is to teach children about God’s unconditional love so that the Gospel of Jesus Christ will spread throughout our community. “**Train up a child in the way he should go. And when he is old, he will not depart from it**”. **Proverbs 22:6**

## LADIES 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 \* Builders’ Room**

*Led by Christy Thompson*

## GIFTS TO THE GLORY OF GOD!

*Annie Armstrong Offering*

*In Honor of Carol Morgan*

**Mary Dell Scott**

*Youth Ministry*

*In Honor of Bryan & Christy Thompson*

**Mary Dell Scott**

## FINANCIAL REPORT

<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>Apr 24</u>	<u>2022</u>
Needs	\$ 8,962.37	\$152,360.29
Offering	\$ 9,411.21	\$150,192.77
Over/(Under)	\$ 448.84	(\$ 2,167.52)
<b>Additional Offerings Given for Special Accounts</b>		
Annie Armstrong	\$	700.00
Youth Ministry	\$	150.00
Ukraine Fund	\$	1,100.00
Ladies Spring Tea	\$	120.00



## 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!



## GREAT START WOODRUFF

Great Start Woodruff is a community effort to provide book bags, school supplies, Bibles, haircuts & other resources to the students in District 4 as they prepare for the new school year. (Presently District Four has 2,904 students – Over 64% qualify as Title I.) This year our church will be purchasing wide ruled composition notebooks. If you would like to contribute, simply indicate “Great Start” on your envelope or online gift.

## 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.

## SUMMER YOUTH CAMP

MFuge at Ridgecrest, NC – July 13-17

See Bryan Thompson to reserve a spot.

## 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

## 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.

## THANK YOU!

Thank you for your donations to the WHS FCA. They will be very useful to this program. Sincerely,

Aaron D. Fulmer, Principal



## DAY BY DAY

### 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

### SUNDAY, MAY 1

9:00 am Sunday School

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

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

### MONDAY, MAY 2

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

### TUESDAY, MAY 3

12:00 pm Ladies First Tuesday

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

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 4

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, MAY 5

8:00 am National Day of Prayer Service – WCC

12:00 pm National Day of Prayer Service – The Beacon

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

### FRIDAY, MAY 6

4:00 pm Men’s Campout (Set up)

6:30 pm Men’s Campout (Supper)

## ONLINE GIVING

Secure online giving is available

on our church website: [www.fbcwoodruff.org](http://www.fbcwoodruff.org)

## MINISTRY PARTNERS – MAY 1

Nursery: L Gillespie, S Baxter (am)

C & E Thompson (pm)

Children’s Worship – L Forrester, O Thompson

Welcome Center – T & T Sumner

Outside Ushers – Mark S, Jason K

## 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

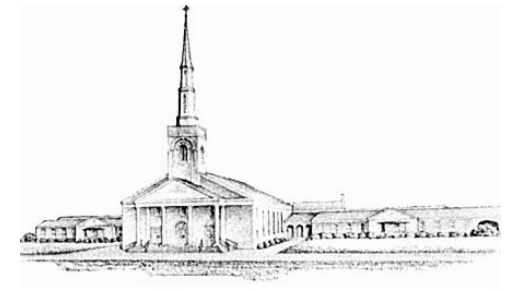
R–S Sam Cooper

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.”

[www.fbcwoodruff.org](http://www.fbcwoodruff.org)



First Baptist Church \* Woodruff, South Carolina

April 27, 2022



## Regular Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Friday 8:00 am – 12:30 pm

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