

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 8

9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

Called Church Conference

Deacon Affirmation & Morning Service Time Decision

THE GOD OF THE IMPOSSIBLE

Genesis 18:14, Jeremiah 32:17, Luke 18:27

Join us in person in our church sanctuary 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 WORSHIP SERVICE

TALKING ABOUT JESUS

The Identity of Jesus

Fellowship Hall

Join us in person in our church sanctuary or by way of live stream or later on the church YouTube channel.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Tab Patton , 8-8	Haleigh Webster , 8-8
Lauren Orias , 8-8	Jim Skinner , 8-10
Benjamin Ward , 8-10	Chelsea Reynolds , 8-11
Ben Weaver , 8-11	Emily Harrison , 8-12
Randy Shaver , 8-12	Kim McAbee , 8-13
Ryan Matz , 8-14	Rebecca Lanford , 8-14

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

We extend our love and prayerful support to

Lisa Abercrombie and family in the death of her aunt,
Mary Linda Murray.

OVER AND ABOVE PROJECT SCHEDULE

- **Coopers Painting** has begun work in the back foyer.
- **Bonitz** and **Smith Dray Line** are scheduled to begin work moving the pews and removing our present carpet and tiles on **Monday, August 16.**
- If work begins as scheduled, we will plan to hold our **Morning Worship Service on Sunday, August 22** in the **Fellowship Hall** and continue meeting in the Fellowship Hall until the work is complete.

GREAT START WOODRUFF

We are collecting school supplies to help the students of our community. The supplies will be distributed at the Woodruff Community Center - August 3, 5, 10, & 12. Let us know if you would like to volunteer to help distribute school supplies.

BACKPACKS FOR APPALACHIA

We are collecting items to fill backpacks for children in Appalachia. A list of items is available in the church office & on our church website on the "extra" page.

CALLED CHURCH CONFERENCE

For the Purpose of Electing Deacons &

Deciding the Time for the Morning Worship Service

This Sunday Morning, August 8 * 10:00 am

At the beginning of the worship service you will have the opportunity to affirm by ballot those who have been nominated by the church and have agreed to serve as deacons – **Chris Abercrombie, Nic Fortner, Matt Lineberger, Randy Rhodes, and James Talanges.**

Appreciation is expressed to **Patrick Elliott, Milton Smith, Ken Vaughn** and **John Ward** who will be rotating off the active deacon group at the end of the month.

At the start of the Pandemic we changed the time of our morning service to 10:00 am so that we could broadcast the service live on the radio. WQUL can now broadcast our service at 10:00 am or at 11:00 am, so the question is – *Which time does our congregation prefer?* As part of our Called Conference this question will be included on the ballot that we will use to elect deacons. If you are unable to be with us this Sunday morning, please contact the church office and let us know your preference.

TALKING ABOUT JESUS

**Sunday Nights * 6:00 pm * Fellowship Hall
August 8, 15, 22 & 29**

Join us as we learn ways to talk about who Jesus is, what He teaches us, the truths concerning His death and resurrection and what it means to entrust our lives to Him. 5 different couples lead our study each night. They will be teaching segments from the book, Talking with Your Kids about Jesus: 30 Conversations Every Christian Parent Must Have by Natasha Crain.

This Sunday, August 8 - The Identity of Jesus

1. Is Jesus a Myth? Is Jesus the Jewish Messiah?
Presented by Ted & Susan Culbreath
2. Is Jesus God?
Presented by James & Carol Anne Talanges
3. Did Jesus Really Perform Miracles?
Did Ancient People Believe in Miracles Because They Were More Gullible?
Presented by Sam & Susan Cooper
4. How Can Jesus Be Both God and Human?
Presented by Bryan & Christy Thompson
5. What is a Christian?
Presented by Chris & Rachel Abercrombie

YOUTH PARENT MEETING

All parents of rising 6th through 12th graders are invited to a parents' meeting on Sunday, August 15 from 4:30 - 5:45 pm. Snacks will be served.

CASUAL SUMMER

Please feel free to dress comfortably as you come for worship and invite others to come with you.

With love and appreciation for

JOHN CARROLL!

We give thanks to God for John & for his ministry through music. He began serving at our church on August 14, 2017 and will soon be completing his fourth year as our Minister of Music. We have been richly blessed through his gifts & abilities & are so grateful for all the ways the Carroll Family (John, Julie, Ethan & Jenna, Aubrey) minister and serve. John has taught in District 4 Schools for the last 26 years and serves as the Music Teacher at Woodruff Primary School. Continue to pray for John and his family and as they seek to faithfully serve the Lord through the music ministry at First Baptist.

GREENVILLE TRIUMPH SOCCER MATCH

The youth will be going to see the Greenville Triumph play the South Georgia Tormenta on Saturday, August 7. Tickets are \$16 each, & you will also need to bring money for supper. We will plan to leave church around 5:00 pm and will return around 9:00 pm. Please see Bryan Thompson if you plan to go, since seats need to be reserved.

BACK TO SCHOOL PRAYER WALK

Next Sunday, August 15 * 7:15 pm * WHS

We will join with other churches in the community, meet in the high school parking lot, have a large group prayer together and then divide into groups to walk or drive to each school and to the district office. If it is raining plan to drive to each school and have prayer in your car. We are grateful for the opportunity to cover our schools and the new school year in prayer as individuals, as churches and as a community of faith.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

A Place to Grow and Belong

Each Sunday * 9:00 am

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

MASKS ENCOURAGED

As we move into a different season of the pandemic, please consider wearing a mask in the common areas of the church until you can observe social distancing once you are seated. There is a basket of individually packaged masks by the entrance of each sanctuary door.

ONLINE GIVING

Secure online giving is available

on our church website: www.fbcwoodruff.org

Giving online is easy and convenient but if you need assistance, Carol Morgan, our Church Secretary, is able to help. Feel free to give her a call, 476-8171.

DISCOVERING JESUS BIBLE CLUB

This Wednesday, August 4

Grades 1-5 * 5:45 - 7:00 pm

Bible Study, Games, Crafts, & Fun

We will use our detective skills to discover who Jesus is and how to build our faith in Him.



FAMILY FUN POOL PARTY

Wednesday, August 25

6:00 – 8:00 pm

Meet us @ Three Pines Country Club
255 Plantation Drive, Woodruff

Bring your family and friends as we celebrate the end of summer and the beginning of our fall Wednesday night programs at church with a pool party that includes food, swimming, fellowship and fun! Children ages 6 and under must be supervised by a parent or guardian.

LIVE RADIO BROADCAST

Each Sunday * 10:00 am

Woodruff Radio WQUL 101.7 FM 1510 AM

INSIDE GREETERS & OUTSIDE USHERS

If you would be willing to serve on a rotating basis as either an Inside Greeter or an Outside Usher please contact the church office.

OVER AND ABOVE PROJECT

Contributed to date: **\$113,168.64**

Expenditures to date: **\$ 27,492.00**

Current Balance: **\$ 85,676.64**

GIFTS TO THE GLORY OF GOD

Over & Above Fund

In Memory of Jack Bernard

Othella Bernard

Jennifer Yarbray

Bob & Julia Howard

Jane Turner

In Honor of Randy Rhodes

Bob & Julia Howard

In Memory of Shirley Torlina

Terry & Tammy Sumner

FINANCIAL REPORT

BUDGET	July 25	Aug 1	2021
Needs	\$ 8,905.02	\$ 8,905.02	\$276,055.62
Offering	\$ 6,629.13	\$10,795.31	\$268,953.01
Over/(Under)	(\$ 2,275.89)	\$ 1,890.29	(\$ 7,102.61)
Additional Offerings Given for Special Accounts			
Over & Above		\$	675.00
Stewardship Fund		\$	5.43
Children's Outing Big Air		\$	90.00
Titus 2 cupcake class		\$	10.00
Use of Church		\$	50.00



WALKING THROUGH THE BIBLE

Wednesdays * 6:00 pm
Fellowship Hall

This week we begin a fresh study of the New Testament. Join us as we listen for God's voice & as we grow in our understanding. The study is livestreamed on our YouTube channel & can be viewed live a little after 6:00 pm or afterward at a time of your convenience.

August 4 – Matthew August 11 – Mark

Mark's Gospel is the shortest and the earliest Gospel. It is written in a fast paced style. The word "immediately" appears over 40 times. Mark includes more "miracle stories" than any other writer. He emphasizes Jesus' actions.

Early Church Father's considered Mark's Gospel to be the "memoirs" of Peter. Mark is mentioned by Paul (2 Timothy 4:11) and Peter (1 Peter 5:13) in their last writings.

Mark was a teenager during Jesus' ministry. The church met at his mother Mary's house. Mark was a cousin to Barnabas & was part of Paul's first missionary journey. Mark & Barnabas later embarked on another missionary journey. Mark is also called John Mark.

The opening verse of Mark is where we get the name "Gospel" which means, "Good News" and is used to refer to the first four books of the New Testament as well as God's redemptive work in salvation.

Mark masterfully writes of Jesus who is the "Son of God." He tells us that in the first verse, and reminds us through the voice of God and of demons, but does not have a human voice confess this until a climatic point when the centurion confesses at the foot of Jesus' cross.

The first part of Mark's gospel focuses on Jesus' identity. We walk with the disciples as they discover very gradually that Jesus is God. They see Jesus forgive sins and accept worship and repeatedly demonstrate His power over nature, matter, the demonic, sickness, and even death itself.

Mark's gospel is arranged geographically. He tells us of Jesus' ministry in Galilee, then of the journey toward and events in Jerusalem.

Mark places a strong emphasis on Jesus' humanity, the importance of faith, the cost of discipleship, and the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

Mark points out that Jesus' disciples were slow to understand. Each time Jesus tells them of His death and resurrection they are distracted by their own arguments.

Mark is famous for telling stories in "sandwich" fashion. He will begin a story, then tell a second story, and then complete the first story. Through this we see that the gospel is true to life.

DAY BY DAY

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4

5:45 pm Discovering Jesus Bible Club (Grades 1-5)
6:00 pm *Walking Through The Bible* - Live on YouTube;
Youth Lighthouse
6:45 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7

5:00 pm Youth depart for Greenville Triumph Match

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8

9:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Worship Service
Live on Radio & YouTube
6:00 pm Worship Service
Live on YouTube

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11

6:00 pm *Walking Through The Bible* - Live on YouTube;
Youth Lighthouse
6:45 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12

Depart for RA Camp

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14

9:00 am Titus 2 - Cupcakes with Kay

MINISTRY PARTNERS

August 8: Children's Worship – A Weaver, J Weaver
Nursery – T & T Sumner (am) I Elliott, M Ward (pm)

RA CAMP

Pray for **Mike Elliott, Rowan Elliott, Owen Hill, Aiden Lanford, David Ward, Harrison Ward, John Ward & David Ward Sr** as they take part in adventures and discipleship at Camp McCall, Alpha Camp in Sunset, SC August 12-14.

BIBLICAL WORLD VIEW & APOLOGETICS COURSE

We are grateful for the opportunity to teach Woodruff High School Seniors each school day. We currently have 16 students enrolled for the 2nd period class & 19 students enrolled for the 3rd period class. We will provide the students with Bibles, books & notebooks that will be a great resource for them now & in the future.

[The Case for Faith](#) by Lee Strobel

[How Now Shall We Live](#)

by Charles Colson & Nancy Pearcey

[More Than a Carpenter](#) by Josh & Sean McDowell

[So What's the Difference](#) by Fritz Ridenour

Please pray for our pastor and for Andy Watson as they prepare for the new school year that begins on Aug. 16.

THANK YOU!

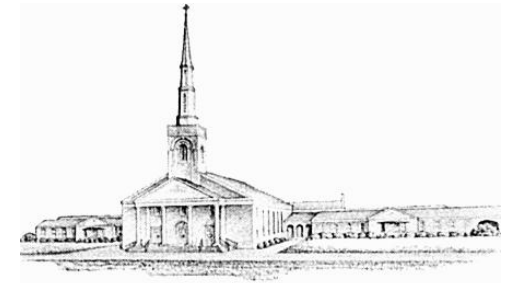
Dear Church Family, We would like to thank everyone for all the prayers, support, kind words & love we have felt. Also, a special thank you to the church for the food. We will always remember your the kindness. Please continue to remember us in your prayers. Love,

Othella Bernard, Jennifer Yarbray & Family

THE ENCOURAGER

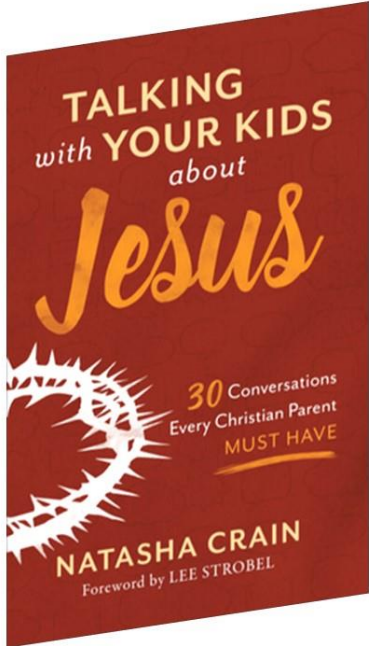
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First Baptist Church * Woodruff, South Carolina

August 4, 2021



Join us for a new study:

Talking about Jesus

Beginning this Sunday, August 8
6:00 pm * Fellowship Hall

Based on Natasha Crain's book
each session features 5 topics taught
by 5 husband & wife teams.

Regular Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Friday 8:00 am – 12:30 pm

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