WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

9:00 am Sunday School

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

6:00 pm The Chosen: Christmas Specials – Fellowship Hall

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11

11:00 am Ladies' Bible Study - Builders' Room

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

11:30 am Senior Adult Christmas Gathering

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

5:45 pm Music & Missions, Youth Lighthouse 6:00 pm Church Bible Study – Live on YouTube

7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16

10:00 am Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

WELCOME!

We are delighted that you are here and pray that God will use this service of worship in a powerful way in your life. We would love to share information with you about our church. Please fill out a card from the pew rack & place it in the offering plate or give it to our pastor.

THE CHOSEN CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

Tonight * 6:00 pm * Fellowship Hall

The Shepherd tells the story of Christmas through the eyes of a shepherd whose life of suffering and rejection changes when he and his fellow shepherds receive a miraculous revelation. The Messengers takes place many years after the Resurrection. Mary Magdalene visits Jesus' mother Mary and records the song Mary sang before Jesus was born so that it can be included in Luke's gospel. Join with us as we share this experience together as a family of faith.

THE HEART OF CHRISTMAS

God's Greatest Gift * Our Greatest Choice

Next Sunday Morning, December 17 * 10:00 am

Presented by the Sanctuary Choir

Traditional carols, joyous ballads and gospel songs breathe life into our celebration. Every person who took part in the wondrous Christmas event was faced with choices. May we choose to worship, honor, and serve our Savior who is Christ the Lord!

INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS COVERED DISH & NIGHT OF PRAYER

Next Sunday, December 17 * 6:00 pm

Bring a favorite International Dish to share with your family of faith as we learn more about how God is at work in our world.

CHURCH-WIDE CAROLING

Wednesday, December 20 * 5:30 pm

Go with us as we share the joy of Christmas through the beautiful carols of Christmas.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE

Sunday, December 24 * 5:00 pm

Make plans to be with us and take part in this beautiful worship service.

CHRISTMAS CARD POST OFFICE

Bring your Christmas Cards during December for people in our fellowship to the Post Boxes. Money saved on postage (donations) will go toward our youth ministry.

OVER AND ABOVE - SOUTH WING HEATING AND AIR

Needed: \$63,218.00 Received to Date: \$22,160.81

Our deacons are recommending to the church that we act on a bid received from Waldrop Mechanical Services for a 15 ton gas packaged roof top unit to heat and cool the south wing of the church. (This will replace the air handler unit we have used since 1962-it is presently leaking - and make the south wing independent of the two pipe chilled and heated water system.)

UPWARD SOCCER

We look forward to providing this ministry for Woodruff community children and families this spring. Registration is open on our church website (\$70 per player.) Each player will receive a reversible jersey with a pair of socks, practice cards, a soccer ball, a poster for award stars and an end of season metal. We will have 3 Divisions: K4-K5; 1^{st} & 2^{nd} Grades; and $3^{rd} - 5^{th}$ grades.

YOUTH MINISTER NEEDED

If you know of a college student, young adult or seasoned adult that is a follower of Christ who loves young people, please share this opportunity with them.

MINISTRY PARTNERS

Greeters: P & T McAbee Outside Ushers: James T & Matt L
Nursery: Jennifer Y & Lindsey T Children's Worship: A Weaver, A J Fortner

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We Gather for Worship

First Baptist Church Woodruff, South Carolina

The Lord's Day

December 10, 2023 Ten O'Clock

Broadcast Live on YouTube & Woodruff Radio 101.7 FM 1510 AM

"I will make My home with them.

I will be their God and they will be My people."

Ezekiel 37:27

Welcome

Lisa Abercrombie

The Lighting of the Advent Candle

Carol 89 - $O\ Come\ All\ Ye\ Faithful$

Joseph Candle Lighter – Cory Fain

Prayer

Andrew Shull

Congregational Carols

Carol 82 - Emmanuel

Sing We The Song of Emmanuel
Sing we the song of Emmanuel;
This the Christ who was long foretold.
Lo in the shadows of Bethlehem,
promise of dawn now our eyes behold.
God Most High in a manger laid;
Lift your voices and now proclaim:
Great and glorious, Love has come to us;
Join now with the hosts of Heaven.

Come we to welcome Emmanuel; King who came with no crown or throne, Helpless He lay, the Invincible, Maker of Mary, now Mary's son. O what wisdom to save us all, Shepherds, sages, before Him fall. Grace and majesty, what humility; Come on bended knee, adore Him.

Go spread the news of Emmanuel; Joy and peace for the weary heart. Lift up your heads, for your King has come; Sing for the Light overwhelms the dark.
Glory shining for all to see, hope alive, let the gospel ring.
God has made a way, He will have the praise;
Tell the world His name is Jesus.

Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Worship in Song Sanctuary Choir

Emmanuel

Scripture Reading, Music Meditation, and Pastoral Prayer

John 1:1-5; 14

Missions Moment Thank You For Giving – West Africa

Carol 94 Angels From the Realms of Glory

Stewardship Prayer John Carroll

Offertory and the Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Carol 87 v. 1 Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come

Hymn 253 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Children's Moment and Children's Worship

(After the Stewardship Prayer, children are invited to join our pastor at the front - and after the Children's Moment, they are invited to go with our children's worship leaders to Children's Worship.)

Children's Moment

Message Andrew Shull

GOD WITH US Matthew 1:18-25

"Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a Son, and will call Him Immanuel." Isaiah 7:14

Time of Commitment (Carol 610) What Can I Give Him?

Benediction

Postlude



C. Andrew Shull, Pastor
John C. Carroll, Minister of Music
Lisa C. Abercrombie, Ministry Coordinator
Susan R. Cooper, Pianist
Bobbie Cox, Secretary
Tommie Jo McAbee, Site Manager

THE POINSETTIAS ARE GIVEN

IN MEMORY OF...

John & Olive Stribling Rex & Drusilla Skinner Jack Stribling

Rex & Jan Skinner

Dickie Turner Vera Chapman Ruby Turner Jane Turner

Jack Craft Mary Johnson Jim Abercrombie

Bobby & Lisa Abercrombie

Joyce Hall

Susan Handel & Catherine Hall

Bogie Mason

Liz, Conn & Tyler Mason

James & Cheryl Smith

Mark & Tammy Smith

Jerome Fortner Jimmy Fortner Patricia Fortner

Nelle & Cortez Waddell
Tom & Carol Woodward

Rufus Jones
Jake & Kaylee Jones

Robert & Rebecca Carroll

John & Julie Carroll

Bobby F. Scott, Sr. Jim & Judy Burns Skip, Pam & Bobby Scott

Tom & Kathryn Morgan Tommy & Lynne Morgan

IN HONOR OF...

Susan Handel Marcia Elliott

Winsome Sunday School Class

Grandchildren Sarah, Seth, Savannah, & Matthew Great-granddaughter Willow

Dayna Chumley

Grandchildren Brayden and Carson Calhoun Jerald R. Craig

Morgan, Stormy, Mason, & Charlie Smith Rae Smith & Smith Pearson Milton & Vickie Rae Smith

Carolyn Craft
Bobby & Lisa Abercrombie

Betty RhodesLenn & Cindy Craig

*Tom & Carol Woodward*John, Julie, Ethan, Jenna, & Aubrey Carroll