

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY!

Sunday School * 9:45 am

DOES ABSOLUTE TRUTH EXIST? John 1:14-18: 8:30-32: 18:36-38a

Worship Service * 11:00 am

Child – Parent Dedication SONG OF JOY

Presented by the Adult Choir

Christmas Drop In * 5:00 – 6:30 pm

Moravian Love Feast

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Madison Jacobi, 12-16
Hunter Patton, 12-17
Brayden Chaves, 12-20
Caleb Hart, 12-18
Angela Turner, 12-18
Ruskin Casey, 12-21

PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays - December 11 & 18

Join us on Wednesday nights for our Church Family Prayer Time at 6:00 pm and then at 6:30 pm for a verse by verse study of the Gospel of Mark.

THE LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

John saw a powerful vision of Heaven... "I saw a great multitude from every nation and all tribes and peoples and languages standing before the throne." Revelation 7:9 We have the incredible opportunity through our prayers, gifts, and lives to be part of what God is doing as He draws people from every nation to Himself. Making disciples is key to multiplying churches among unreached peoples and places. Your gifts allow missionaries to raise up and train national believers, strengthening a growing missions team. Missionaries have many opportunities to show Christ's love through caring for physical needs, as Jesus did. Your gifts allow them to care for tangible needs, display the beauty of the gospel, and open doors to gospel proclamation in hard-to-reach places.

STOP BY FOR COFFEE
Before Sunday School at the Welcome Center



December 15, 2019

Olivia Ryan Morgan



SONG OF JOY

Celebrate God's Gift of Salvation this Christmas!
Presented by the Adult Choir
This Sunday, December 15 * 11:00 am

Christmas is a time for gratitude, a time for celebration and expectation! It is a time for music! Songs of the season are everywhere around us, reminding us of the birth of the Savior, the anticipated coming of the Christ Child, the advent of the Messiah, and the joy that is ours as believers. Because of what Jesus has done for us, we not only hear the music, we live the songs of joy!

WOODRUFF CHRISTMAS PARADE

Sunday, December 15 * 3:00 pm

Our children's choir will be playing bells in the Woodruff Christmas Parade. We give thanks for our children and their dedicated leaders.

MORAVIAN LOVE FEAST DROP IN

Sunday, December 15 * 5:00 – 6:30 pm

Join us for Moravian Love Feast Buns (shipped from Winston Salem the buns have the subtle flavors of nutmeg, and fresh orange and lemon rind) a wide variety of Moravian cookies, Moravian coffee and other hot beverages and a time of devotion (held at 5:10, 5:40 & 6:10 pm) as we celebrate the love God has for us and the love we have for each other.

YOUTH LED CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Sunday, December 22 * 6:00 pm

Join with us for this special service of worship.



Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service Tuesday, Dec. 24 * 5:00 pm

STUDENT DAY AT CHRISTMAS

Sunday Morning, December 29 * 11:00 am

Our college and graduate students are invited to help lead our worship service. Please call the church office if you would like to participate.



ADVENT 2019

This year marks the 300th anniversary of the beloved carol, "Joy to the World!" Join us as we joyfully celebrate God's love given through Jesus Christ.

Dec. 15 – SONG OF JOY presented by the Adult Choir Afternoon – Woodruff Christmas Parade (Children's Float)

Evening – Moravian Love Feast (Drop In)

Dec. 22 – NO MORE LET SINS & SORROWS GROW Evening – Youth Led Christmas Service

Dec. 24 – AND WONDERS OF HIS LOVE Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service

Dec. 29 – HE RULES THE WORLD WITH TRUTH AND GRACE (Student Day at Christmas) Evening – Festival of Lights

Interest Meeting

SANCTUARY CARPET & PEWS

Wednesday, December 18 * 7:30 pm

Join us for an open meeting led by our Property Committee to look at some color combinations as we prepare to replace the sanctuary carpet & pew covers.

CHRISTMAS CARD POST OFFICE

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

MAILING LABELS

Mailing labels have been placed in each Sunday School box to assist in sending cards to our care residents, those serving in the military, former pastors and those who need a reminder of God's great love and care.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE

Dec. 11 & 18 – Regular Schedule Dec. 25 & Jan. 1 – No Services or Activities Jan. 8 – Regular Schedule Resumes

JANUARY BIBLE STUDY

Each Sunday in January * 6:00 pm Jeremiah: Faithful to the Mission

ONLINE GIVING

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

SPRING SEMESTER WHS COURSE

Our Biblical Worldview and Apologetics classes for the fall semester will end as the students take their final exam next week. Thank you for your prayers and support. On January 7 we will begin two Christian Beliefs classes (17 students in one class and 22 in the other class.) We will again be supplying the students with Bibles, books and resources for the class. If you would like to help with the cost of books simply mark an envelope 'WHS Course.' Thank you for your support of this incredible opportunity.

YOUR OFFERINGS

A portion of each dollar you place in the offering plate goes to support the Woodruff Community Center. Its mission is to foster a spirit of community that encourages residents of Southern Spartanburg County to live healthy & empowered lives. In 1999, Spartanburg County School District Four hosted several community forums in the Greater Woodruff Area to identify critical needs. These meetings & the planning meetings that followed gave birth to the Woodruff Community Center. The center has provided many different types of services over the years including gifts in kind, Christmas assistance, summer children's programs, exercise classes and much more. For the last two years they have been hosting Road 678 a mentoring program for at risk middle schoolers.

SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER

Each Sunday * 9:00 am * Choir Room

Join us as we come together to lift the concerns of our hearts to God's throne of mercy and grace.

GIFTS TO THE GLORY OF GOD!

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

In Honor of Andrew Shull

Tommy & Jo Anne Westmoreland

Over & Above Offering

In Honor of Sam & Sheila Stribling
Tommy & Lynne Morgan

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE Dec 8			2.8
Nursery			1
Children		1	1
Youth	6		
Adults	<u>60</u>		
Total Attendance	78		
BUDGET	Dec 8	20	<u>019</u>
Needs	\$ 8,838.91	\$433,106.59	
Offering	\$ 5,856.68	\$413,535.29	
Over/(Under)	(\$ 2,982.23)	(\$ 19,571.31)	
Additional Offerings Given for Special Accounts			
Over & Above		\$	51.00
Lottie Moon		\$	335.00
Wednesday Night Supper		\$	121.25
Use of Church		\$	50.00
Christmas Poinsettias		\$	30.00
Youth Winter Retreat		\$	20.00

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

5:00 – 5:45 pm * Cost: \$3.00

This Wednesday, December 11

Potato Soup, Ham Biscuits, Dessert, Drink

Next Wednesday, December 18

Chili, Crackers, Fritos, Side Salad, Dessert, Drink

Please turn in a Reservation card or call (476-8171) or email us (office@fbcwsc.org) **by Monday, Dec. 16** so that we will know how much food to prepare.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

A Woman's Heart – Author Beth Moore Tuesdays, 10:00 am – Prayer Meeting Room We will not meet Tuesday, Dec. 24 or Dec. 31.

GOLDEN AGE FELLOWSHIP

Wednesday, January 8 * 11:45 am
Our program guest will be Michael J. Davis,
singer, songwriter, guitarist and performer.
Hosts: Linda Rhodes, Audrey Bettis,
Sybil Waddell, Carol Woodward
Devotional: Mary Dell Scott

OVER AND ABOVE PROJECT

\$82,609.97 has been contributed! We give thanks and look forward to these projects being accomplished!

FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

"I AM the Light of the World." John 8:12 Sunday, December 29 * 6:00 pm

Join us for a creative post-Christmas service as we learn about an event that took place between the Old & New Testaments that was celebrated in the time of Jesus as the Festival of Dedication (John 10:22.) Today it is known as Hanukkah. The festival gave thanks for light that God provided & the temple that had been cleansed & dedicated. Come and be with us as we celebrate the fulfillment and joy that Jesus brings.

THANK YOU!

Dear Church Family, Thank you for your visits, cards, gift baskets and literature I have received. I love WFBC. You are so special to me and I can't thank you enough for thinking of me. Please continue to pray for me. Love in Christ,

Mildred Taylor

THANKSGIVING OUTREACH MEAL!

We have received many phone calls and cards from the community thanking everyone who participated in cooking, delivering and feeding the community a Thanksgiving meal.



DAY BY DAY

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11 - Mark 16

- 5:00 pm Wednesday Night Supper
- 5:45 pm Preschool & Children's Choirs, Youth Lighthouse
- 6:00 pm Church Family Prayer Time
- 6:30 pm Wednesday Night Bible Study, Mission Groups, Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12 – 1 Corinthians 1 FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13 – 1 Corinthians 2 SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15 – 1 Corinthians 3

- 9:00 am Sunday Morning Prayer
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 3:00 pm Woodruff Christmas Parade
- 5:00 pm Drop In Moravian Love Feast

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16 – 1 Corinthians 4 TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17 – 1 Corinthians 5

10:00 am Ladies Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18 – 1 Corinthians 6

- 5:00 pm Wednesday Night Supper
- 5:40 pm Christmas Caroling Trip to Montrose
- 6:00 pm Church Family Prayer Time
- 6:30 pm Wednesday Night Bible Study, Mission Groups,
- 7:30 pm Interest Meeting Sanctuary Carpet & Pews

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19 – 1 Corinthians 7

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20 – 1 Corinthians 8

GOOD NEWS CLUB

Tuesdays * 2:45-4:00 pm * Woodruff Elementary
We need volunteers! Training will be held on Saturday,
January 11, 10:00 am at The Mill. See Lisa
Abercrombie if you would like to volunteer.

CAROLING AT MONTROSE

Next Wednesday, December 18 our children's choir and mission groups will leave at 5:40 pm to go to Montrose. Everyone is invited to join us.

CARE VISITS

Our Extended Sunday School Team visits those who are not able to be with us on a regular basis and shares love, literature, scripture, and more. Please contact the church office if you would like to receive visits.

2020 FLOWER CALENDAR

Call or come by the church office to reserve the Sunday you would like to put flowers in the sanctuary in 2020.

SHARING THE MINISTRY – DEC 15

Counting: Bob H, Milton S Notes: Julia H
Nursery: J & C A Talanges B Pressure: J Howard
W Center: A Henson, K Brown
Ushers: John M, C Brown (c) T Morgan, N Lee (f) W Wood (o)
B Few (p) Hugh M, Richie F, Walter G (o)

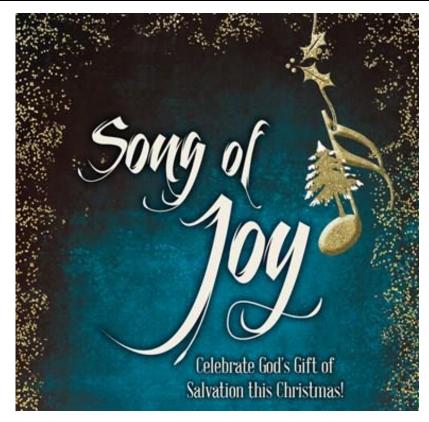
THE ENCOURAGER

"...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 December 11, 2019



Presented by the Adult Choir * This Sunday 11:00 am

C. Andrew Shull, Pastor
Bryan C. Thompson, Associate Pastor for Youth
John C. Carroll, Minister of Music
Lisa C. Abercrombie, Ministry Coordinator
Carol R. Morgan, Secretary
Kay M. Young, Pianist
Tommie Jo McAbee, Site Manager
Randy C. Rhodes, Site Manager

 $\begin{array}{cc} Monday-Thursday & 8:00 \ am-5:00 \ pm \\ Friday & 8:00 \ am-12:30 \ pm \end{array}$

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