

WEEKLY CALENDAR
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

9:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Worship Service - Live on Radio & YouTube
6:00 pm Gather the Family – Fellowship Hall

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

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

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6

5:45 pm Music & Missions, Youth Lighthouse
6:00 pm Church Bible Study – Live on YouTube
7:00 pm 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.

WHS GIRLS ENSEMBLE

We welcome the Woodruff High School Girls Ensemble! Members of the ensemble are: Akia Crowe, Sobie Duncan, Madison Durham, Arianna Grijalva, Lily Horton, Genesis Muralles - Guevara, Savannah Owings, Harrison Rhodes, Deanna Sharpe, Hannah Watson, and Rebekah Watson. They are under the direction of Carla Bobo.

“GATHER THE FAMILY” FELLOWSHIP

Tonight * 6:00 pm * Fellowship Hall

This service will be designed especially for children (of all ages). We will gather on quilts (and chairs) in the fellowship hall. The service will include brief video clips from some classic Christmas cartoons (Charlie Brown, Grinch, Rudolf, Veggie Tales) with brief reflections directed toward our children.

THE CHOSEN CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

Next Sunday, December 10 * 6:00 pm * Fellowship Hall

The Shepherd tells the story of the first 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 in a secure location. Mary Magdalene 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.

SENIOR ADULT CHRISTMAS GATHERING!

Tuesday, December 12 * 11:30 am

Everyone is invited to join us for lunch (Ham, green beans, mac & cheese, sweet potato casserole, rolls & desserts) catered by Midway, a time of fellowship & Christmas games. **Let us know today** if you can be with us so that we can have a plate for you. (Donations accepted)

THE HEART OF CHRISTMAS

God's Greatest Gift * Our Greatest Choice
Sunday Morning, December 17 * 10:00 am

Presented by the Sanctuary Choir

Traditional carols, inspirational ballads and joyous 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 this Savior who is Christ the Lord!

INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS COVERED DISH

& NIGHT OF PRAYER

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

Plan to 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.

MINISTRY PARTNERS

Greeters: T & T Sumner Outside Ushers: Mark S & Jason K
Nursery: P & C Fain Children's Worship: Loraine F, Corey F

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We Gather for Worship

First Baptist Church
Woodruff, South Carolina

The Lord's Day

December 3, 2023

Ten O'Clock

Broadcast Live on YouTube & Woodruff Radio 101.7 FM 1510 AM

“But when the fullness of time had come, God sent His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children.” Galatians 4:4-5

Prelude

Welcome

Lisa Abercrombie

The Lighting of the Advent Candle

Carol 89 v. 1 *O Come All Ye Faithful*

Mary

Candle Lighter – Lindsey Thompson

Prayer

Andrew Shull

Carol 118

What Child Is This

Worship in Song

WHS Girls Ensemble

A Glad Noel

A New Noel

Scripture Reading, Music Meditation, and Pastoral Prayer

Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

Missions Moment

Ukrainian Baptists Say Thank You

Carol 100

Angels We Have Heard on High

Stewardship Prayer

John Carroll

Offertory and the Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Hymn 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.)

IT'S ALL ABOUT JESUS
Matthew 1:1-17

“You study the Scriptures diligently because you think that in them you have eternal life. These are the very Scriptures that testify about Me.”

John 5:39

He said to them, “This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about Me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.” Luke 24:44

For no matter how many promises God has made, they are “Yes” in Christ. 2 Corinthians 1:20

Jesus is the _____ of all that has come before
and yet He is a new beginning
and continuation of God's grace.

Jesus is _____!

“Son of David” shouts “Here is your _____!”

“Son of Abraham” shouts “Here is your _____!”

Jesus' family tree shows that God's _____
is both deep and wide.

God is sovereign. His _____ is perfect.

God who has been at work in the past
is at work _____ and in the future.

Carol 76

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Benediction

Postlude



Gather the family as we see and hear the message of Christ conveyed through children's Christmas cartoons!

- 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 & Cortex 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 Rhodes
Lenn & Cindy Craig*

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