

## PREPARING FOR SUNDAY!

January 3

9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

THE WORD OF LIFE

1 John 1:1-4; 2:6

Begin the new year with a fresh commitment to a life giving relationship with Jesus Christ.

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 JANUARY BIBLE STUDY

LIVING WITH ASSURANCE: John's Epistles  
Fellowship Hall

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Marie Wood, 1-3

Kevin Murphy, 1-3

Scott Gillespie, 1-5

Addalynn Lee, 1-6

Pam Scott, 1-7

Sarah Workman, 1-8

Carson Dill, 1-9

## CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

We extend our love and prayerful support to:

Kate Hames & family in the death of her nephew,  
Liz Mason & family in the death of her brother in law,  
& Sharon Meadows & family in the death of her uncle,  
James Nelson Mason;

James Smith & family in the death of his sister in law,  
Ted Hayes & family in the death of his sister,  
Vicki Hayes Manley;

Rev. Danny Garrett & family in the death of his father,  
Jane Garrett & family in the death of her husband,  
Dr. Herbert Charles Garrett, Jr.

## JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL!

A Place to Grow and Belong!

Each Sunday \* 9:00 am

## LIVE RADIO BROADCAST

Each Sunday \* 10:00 am

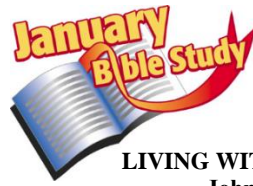
Woodruff Radio WQUL 101.7 FM 1510 AM

## MASKS ENCOURAGED

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.

## LADIES FIRST THURSDAY

Our Titus 2 Ladies ministry will meet for prayer during lunch on Thursday, January 7. Make plans to join us at Mr. Jalapeno. Come join us and invite a friend!



JANUARY  
BIBLE STUDY  
Each Sunday in January  
6:00 pm

## LIVING WITH ASSURANCE:

John's Epistles

John wrote to help believers see that our understanding of who Jesus is has an incredible impact on our daily lives, decisions and future. He helps us see the destructiveness of sin, the seductive nature of the "world" and the victory that is possible through Jesus Christ. The profound truth that "God is love" 1 John 4:16 leads us to an incredible way of living as we learn what it means to rely on the love of God. Join us as we strengthen our faith by learning to "Live with Assurance."

## Coffee, Tea, and Hot Chocolate

This year we will have gloved and masked hosts and hostesses ready to take and prepare your drink order.

## Children's Class (K - Grade 5)

In addition to the class for the Adults & Youth that will be taught in the Fellowship Hall we will offer a special class for Children in the Children's I Department. A nursery will be provided.

## WINTER YOUTH RETREAT

January 16 - 18 \* Burnsville, NC

Be praying for our youth as they take part in a weekend of service, discipleship and fellowship. They will go snow tubing on Saturday. On Sunday they will lead the worship service at the Pleasant Gap Baptist Church and Sunday afternoon they will pack boxes for the local food bank, Neighbors Feeding Neighbors.

## WALKING THROUGH THE BIBLE

Each Wednesday \* 6:00 pm \* Fellowship Hall

Join us as we walk through each book of the Bible. We meet in the Fellowship Hall practicing social distancing. Each study is posted to our church YouTube channel.

Dec. 30 - *Ezra*; Jan. 6 - *Nehemiah*

Beginning in 446 BC the *Book of Nehemiah* gives a chronological account including Nehemiah's first term as Governor (c. 445-433 BC) and his second term beginning around 434 BC. Nehemiah served as Cupbearer to the Persian King Artaxerxes (Esther's step son.) He was deeply troubled by the condition of Jerusalem and poured out his heart to God in prayer. *Nehemiah* contains 10 prayers. There is much to learn from Nehemiah's reliance on God, his leadership style, his problem solving skills, and his perseverance despite fierce opposition. *Nehemiah* describes the rebuilding of the wall around Jerusalem and the revival of the people. However, Israel still awaited the coming of a king. Christ completes this restoration of Israel as the long awaited King.

With Love and Appreciation for  
TOMMIE JO MCABEE &  
RANDY RHODES  
Site Managers

We give thanks for the way God has blessed us through their service as our Site Managers. Next week, they will complete their second year as members of our church staff. We give thanks for their willingness to serve and pledge to them our love and prayerful support as they work to maintain our facilities, keep us clean and safe, and help us reach our community through the beautiful church buildings the Lord has entrusted to us for ministry. We are grateful for all that they do for our church and for Christ's Kingdom. Let them know of your love and appreciation.

## LOTTIE MOON OFFERING

For International Missions

Received: \$4,256.00

"How can a little local church in a small town have a big global impact? By partnering with thousands of other little churches in small towns through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering." - Chris Winkleman

## OVER AND ABOVE PROJECT

\$97,101.03 has been contributed!

## SPRING SEMESTER WHS COURSE

On January 5 we will begin two Christian Beliefs classes (2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> period.) We will 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.

## DEEP DIVE 4 LIFE

Join us every Friday as we dive deep into the Bible. Episodes are available on our church YouTube channel as well as most podcast providers. If you have questions that would be good to discuss on the podcast, email us at [deepdive4life@gmail.com](mailto:deepdive4life@gmail.com). Remember to dive into scriptures each day!

## 2021 FLOWER CALENDAR

Call or come by the church office to reserve the Sunday you would like to put flowers in the sanctuary in 2021.

## SHARE A WEDDING PICTURE

Our former pastor Ronald D. Vaughan is creating an album of memories of the weddings he has officiated in thirty-eight years of pastoral ministry. If Dr. Vaughan officiated your wedding, please send a picture from the wedding, one of the couple and Dr. Vaughan, if possible, to [rdvaughans@gmail.com](mailto:rdvaughans@gmail.com). Thank you for making this memory album more complete.

## GIFTS TO THE GLORY OF GOD!

Work of The Church Fund

In Memory of Michiko Phillips

Tommy & Lynne Morgan

Sumiko Robinson

Kiyoko Papa

In Memory of Barbara Casey

In Memory of Kirk Lanford

Tommy & Lynne Morgan

In Honor of Church Staff

Terry & Tammy Summer

In Memory of Mozelle & Jack Pearson

John & Jennifer Pearson

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

In Honor of Church Staff

L. D. & Bobbie Cudd

In Memory of Ginny Suggs

Noelle Suggs

In Memory of Michiko Phillips

Bill & Shelba Scott

Bill & Martha Jean Lanford

L. D. & Bobbie Cudd

In Memory of Barbara Casey

Bill & Shelba Scott

Bill & Martha Jean Lanford

L. D. & Bobbie Cudd

In Memory of Kirk Lanford

Bill & Shelba Scott

Charles Hembree

In Memory of Jean Craig

Bill & Shelba Scott

In Memory of Mike Brock

Bill & Shelba Scott

Charles Hembree

Bill & Martha Jean Lanford

In Memory of Rev. Bob Deaton

Bill & Shelba Scott

Over & Above Fund

In Memory of Carol & Oneal Craig

In Memory of Charles Rhodes

Lenn & Cindy Craig

In Memory of Michiko Phillips

In Memory of Kirk Lanford

In Memory of Rev. Bob Deaton

John & Kim McAbee

In Memory of Barbara Casey

Connie McClain

## FINANCIAL REPORT

<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>Dec 20</u>	<u>Dec 27</u>	<u>2020</u>
Needs	\$ 8,821.10	\$8,821.10	\$458,697.20
Offering	<u>\$ 9,025.80</u>	<u>\$8,180.70</u>	<u>\$447,939.52</u>
Over/(Under)	\$ 204.70	(\$ 640.40)	(\$ 10,757.68)
<b>Additional Offerings Given for Special Accounts</b>			
Over & Above		\$	250.00
Stewardship Funds		\$	16.83
Lottie Moon		\$	1,600.00
Adoption Fund		\$	35.00
Youth Fund		\$	339.11
Interest From Cemetery Endowment		\$	1,190.11
Refund Piedmont Gas		\$	87.90

## NEW MAILED ENVELOPE SYSTEM

We are grateful for the gifts you give to the Lord's church. It is our prayer that the Lord will continue to bless and multiply them as we seek to be faithful to the mission He has entrusted to us here in Woodruff and beyond. We believe strongly that God still has a plan and a purpose for this church even in the difficult times in which we live.

Our world continues to change and so does the way that people give their tithes and offerings. Because we want to be good stewards of the resources God's people entrust to His church we are in the process of evaluating the way we distribute contribution envelopes. Envelopes have already been mailed out that will go through January 31, 2021. We want to make a plan for February, 2021 and beyond. Here are some of the ways that people give their tithes and offerings to our church.

**Bank draft** – You can set up a draft from your bank that is sent to the church. This can be done for each gift or you can set up an automatic draft each month. Most banks offer this as a free service to their customers, which means there is no cost to you or to the church.

**Offering plate / Mailed in Offering** – During the pandemic we stopped passing the offering plates in the worship service, but they are still available at each door of the sanctuary. Envelopes are available in the entryways & pews for you to use while you are here & are also available for you to take home with you for future gifts. We also receive tithes & offerings through the mail.

**Online giving** – Our church website has a tab for online giving ([www.fbcwoodruff.org](http://www.fbcwoodruff.org)) You can set up an individual gift or recurring gifts. Companies that provide this kind of service pass along a transaction fee to the church that is a percentage of your gift. The percentage varies depending on what type of bank card is used. The lowest percentage is used when you enter your banking information (routing and account number) rather than using a credit or debit card. There is an option for you to include this transaction fee in your gift.

**Please contact us (telephone, email, mail, offering plate or in person) and let us know how you would like to receive envelopes for February, 2021 and beyond.**

- I would like \_\_\_\_\_ envelopes for the year. (12 for monthly giving, 52 for weekly giving or other.)
- I would like \_\_\_\_\_ sets. (Some people give as a couple or as a family; others as individuals.)
- I will pick these up at church
- Please mail or deliver these to me.
- I do not need any envelopes sets. (I'll pick up what I need on Sundays or I'll give online or by bank draft.)



### DAY BY DAY

#### **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30**

6:00 pm Walking Through The Bible

#### **FRIDAY, JANUARY 1 – Happy New Year!**

OFFICE CLOSED

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 3**

9:00 am Sunday School

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

6:00 pm January Bible Study

#### **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6**

6:00 pm Walking Through The Bible; Mission Friends; Children's Choir Rehearsal; Youth Lighthouse

6:45 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

#### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 7**

12:00 pm Titus 2 Ladies – Mr. Jalapeno



**The Church Office will be Closed:**  
Friday, January 1.

### BLOOD DRIVE

**Wednesday, January 27 \* 3:00 - 6:00 pm**

Mark your calendar and plan to take part by making a life saving donation.

### JANUARY CHURCH CONFERENCE

**Sunday, January 24 \* After January Bible Study**

If your group or committee would like to be included in the printed reports, please turn your information in before Wednesday, January 20.

### OBSERVE COMMUNION AT HOME

**Sunday, January 10**

If you will be participating in the worship service through our YouTube channel or through the radio broadcast next Sunday and would like to have a communion set, please stop by the church office or call us, 476-8171, and we will deliver it to you.

### MINISTRY PARTNERS – JAN. 3

Children's Worship – B & L Abercrombie  
Nursery: J Yarbray, A Carroll (AM) L Rhodes, L Lee (PM)

### DEACON FAMILY MINISTRY

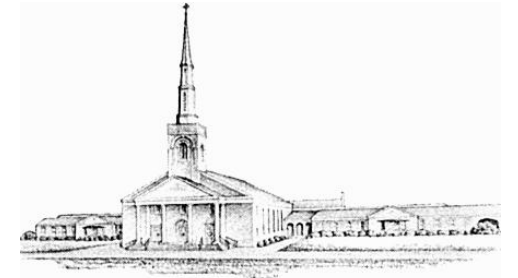
Our deacons are committed to being part of the ministry team along with our pastor & church staff. Contact them with prayer concerns, questions, & ministry opportunities as we seek to love & care for one another.

<b>A–Co</b>	<b>Buddy Few and John Ward</b>
<b>Cp–G</b>	<b>Jason Ketterman and Tommy Morgan</b>
<b>H–Lc</b>	<b>Patrick Elliott and Ken Vaughn</b>
<b>Ld–Q</b>	<b>Milton Smith and Terry Sumner</b>
<b>R–S</b>	<b>Ted Culbreath and Terry Hauser</b>
<b>T–Z</b>	<b>Sam Cooper and Susan Cooper</b>

# 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**

**December 30, 2020**

JOHN'S EPISTLES

**LIVING ASSURANCE** WITH

**January Bible Study**

**Sunday Nights in January**  
**6:00 pm \* Fellowship Hall**

#### Regular Office Hours:

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

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**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**