



**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11**  
**9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
**10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE**  
 THE SONG OF THE ANGELS  
 Luke 2:1-21

*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 church web site.*

**6:00 PM WORSHIP SERVICE**  
 CHRISTMAS MEMORIES  
*(A multi-generation conversation)*  
 Fellowship Hall

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

**Duane Bailey**, 12-12      **Cheryl Few**, 12-13  
**Nora Jane Lanford**, 12-13  
**John Ward**, 12-14      **Brenda Hayes**, 12-15  
**Madison Jacobi**, 12-16      **Hunter Patton**, 12-17

**CHURCH SECRETARY POSITION**

The Personnel Committee is searching for someone to fill our full time Church Secretary position. Applications and a general job description are available in the church office. Applicants are asked to submit an application, cover letter and resume. Please help us get word out about this employment/ministry opportunity.

**LIMITED OFFICE HOURS**

**(Beginning January 3)**

During the time that we will be without a Church Secretary the office will be staffed and open for drop-in visitors **Monday – Thursday from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm** and from **11:00 am to 12:30 pm** on **Fridays**. Other times will be available by appointment. If you would be willing to help staff the office on a particular day, please contact our pastor.

**MAILING LABELS**

Mailing labels have been placed in each Sunday School class 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.

**CHRISTMAS MEMORIES**

*(A multi-generation conversation)*

**This Sunday, December 11 \* 6:00 pm**

Join us as we share meaningful personal memories of Christmas' past. In addition to a time to share memories, the service will feature a multi-generation panel discussion about Christmas. Contact our pastor if you would like to help represent your generation on the panel.

**SENIOR ADULT CHRISTMAS GATHERING!**

**This Tuesday, December 13 \* 11:30 am**

Everyone is invited to join us for lunch (turkey & dressing, gravy, cranberry sauce, green beans, mac & cheese, rolls & desserts) catered by Vicky Clark, a time of fellowship & Christmas games. So that we will know how many to prepare for please sign up in the office (\$7 per person) by Friday, Dec. 9.



**FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY w/ SANTA!**

**Wednesday, December 14 \* 5:30pm**

Everyone is invited to join us for a fun family evening of activities as we celebrate the Christmas season. We will have supper, share how God Keeps His Promises, have crafts and activities and Santa will be joining us for pictures. It will be a fun evening you will not want to miss! Please sign up in the office if you plan to join us.

**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.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL \* 9:00 AM**

*A Place to Grow and Belong*

Join us for Bible Study! There is a small group for everybody. Contact the church office if you need help knowing which class would best meet your needs.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE**

- Dec. 7 – Regular Schedule
- Dec. 14 – Family Christmas Party w/ Santa, Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- Dec. 21 – Church-Wide Caroling
- Dec. 28 – Church Bible Study– with sandwiches and dessert in Carol Morgan's honor.
- Jan. 4 – Church Bible Study, Youth Lighthouse, Missions & Music (No Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal)
- Jan. 11 – Regular Schedule

**2023 FLOWER CALENDAR**

Call or come by the church office to reserve the Sunday you would like to put flowers in the sanctuary in 2023.

**BRAND NEW HALLELUJAH!**

*A Christmas Worship Experience*

*Presented by the Sanctuary Choir*

**Sunday, December 18 \* 10:00 am**

Join us and invite your family and friends as we take part in this wonderful Christmas celebration. Although more than two thousand years have passed since the anthem of praise first resounded over the Judean hillside, the song has only begun. For every seeker who comes to know the Savior, a new voice is added... A new chorus is lifted. It's the song of a soul set free that cannot and will not be silenced. It's a brand-new Hallelujah!

**MORAVIAN LOVE FEAST**

**Sunday, December 18 \* 6:00 pm \* Fellowship Hall**

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 as we celebrate the love God has for us and the love, we have for each other.

**CHURCH BIBLE STUDY**

**December 7 & 28 \* 6:00 pm**

**Fellowship Hall**

*Join with us as our church gathers for prayer and for Bible study!*

On December 28 we will enjoy sandwiches and desserts in honor of Carol Morgan and her ministry to our church and community.

**CHURCH-WIDE CAROLING**

**Wednesday, December 21 \* 5:30 pm**

Plan to go with us as we share the joy of Christmas through the beautiful carols of Christmas. **Please contact the church office if you would like to have a group carol outside your house.**



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

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

**Worship and Celebration \* 10:00 am**

We will meet together as a family of faith for a wonderful time of worship, praise, & dedication. Regular activities, including Sunday School & the Evening Service, will not be held.

**NEW YEAR'S DAY SCHEDULE**

**Sunday School \* 9:00 am**

**Worship Service \* 10:00 am**

**WINTER YOUTH RETREAT**

**Strength to Stand, Dec. 28-30 \* Pigeon Forge**

*With Love and Appreciation for*

**CAROL MORGAN**

We give thanks to God for Carol and for her ministry through our church office. Carol began serving as our Church Secretary over 12 years ago. We are so grateful for all the ways that Carol has used her gifts & allows her love for the Lord to shine through her life. She has gone over and above her job description on a daily basis to minister and care for the people of our congregation and community. Carol plans to retire from her role as our church secretary at the end of this calendar year.

**Bring a Card for Carol on December 18**

We will be recognizing Carol in our Morning Worship Service on Sunday, December 18. There will be a basket in the front foyer for cards for Carol.

**LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING**

As war, natural disasters, humanitarian crises and political instability grip the world, Southern Baptists are sending International Mission Board missionaries to be steadfastly present among those who have never heard the gospel. Christ is present among Christians through His Holy Spirit and your missionaries are present among the nations. They spend years, decades even, building the relationships that lead to establishing an enduring Christian witness. Missionary presence represents IMB's core mission, and has since our inception. Missionary presence cultivates gospel access, gospel belief and church planting and multiplication. Through the cooperative investment of Southern Baptist churches, we've deployed the best and brightest missionaries throughout the world. It doesn't end with sending. We train them, support them and sustain their presence all over the world so the nations can continue to hear the gospel. As a church we can't be everywhere. You can't be everywhere. On the other hand, by partnering with the IMB you can have a global impact. Your partnership allows the gospel to be delivered around the world while we bear fruit right where God has planted us. Please prayerfully consider your gift to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

**BACKPACK MISSION TRIP**

**December 11-13**

Please pray for the Mission Team from our Network as they share the love of Jesus in flood devastated Jenkins, Fleming-Neon and this year Blaine, KY. This site has perhaps the greatest need of all our locations; and, we are trusting with expectation as to how God is going to use the backpacks our church and other SC churches put together to further His Kingdom there. Please lift up **Tracy McAbee** and **Sawyer Mackall** from our church who will be part of the Mission Team.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

	<u>Dec 4</u>	<u>2022</u>
Budget Needs	\$ 8,962.37	\$439,156.13
Budget Offering	<u>\$ 10,322.19</u>	<u>\$436,139.42</u>
Over/(Under) Budget	\$ 1,359.82	(\$ 3,016.71)
<b>Additional Offerings Given for Special Accounts</b>		
Stewardship Fund	\$	6.25
Christmas Poinsettias	\$	25.00
Use of Church	\$	25.00
Sr Adult Gathering	\$	142.00
Youth Winter Retreat	\$	84.50
Lottie Moon	\$	600.00
Ukraine Fund	\$	200.00
Cemetery Fund	\$	50.00
Reimbursement from Smith Shower	\$	100.00

### 2023 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

Whether you give through bank draft, online giving, through the mail or in person, we are very grateful for your gifts to the Lord's church. We pray that the Lord will continue to bless & multiply each gift for His service. **Please contact us if you haven't been receiving envelope packets but would like to start.**

*Gathering to Watch*

### THE CHOSEN (Season 3)

**Beginning Sunday, January 8 \* 6:00 pm**

Plan to be with us for discussion and Bible study as we watch and experience each episode of Season 3 of The Chosen together. (The Chosen focuses on the lives on Jesus' first disciples. Season 3 begins with the Sermon on the Mount.)

### SANCTUARY CHOIR REHEARSALS

The choir is preparing an incredible worship experience – **Brand New Hallelujah!**

Wednesday, December 7 \* 7:00 pm  
Saturday, December 10 \* 10:00 am  
Sunday, December 11 \* 4:00 pm  
Wednesday, December 14 \* 7:00 pm  
Saturday, December 17 \* 10:00 am

### USHERS

Please contact us if you would be willing to be part of the ushers' ministry on a rotating basis one service a month.

### TIMELY ALERTS

We are using *Remind* to send out "timely alerts" (schedule changes, death announcements, etc.) Text the message "@wfbc1787" to **81010** or email us to sign up.

### THANK YOU!

Dear Rev. Shull, The C.E.F. Board prayed for Woodruff Elementary School & your church. We praise God for the 33 professions of faith! Thank you for all you and the Good News Club volunteers are doing for the Kingdom.

In Christ, **Terry Messinger**



### DAY BY DAY

#### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7

5:45 pm Missions & Music; Youth Lighthouse  
6:00 pm Church Bible Study – Live on YouTube  
7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

10:00 am Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

9:00 am Sunday School  
10:00 am Worship Service – Live on Radio & YouTube  
4:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
6:00 pm Worship Service – Christmas Memories

#### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

5:30 pm Family Christmas Party w/Santa  
7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

10:00 am Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

### LIVE RADIO BROADCAST

Each Sunday \* 10:00 am

Woodruff Radio WQUL 101.7 FM 1510 AM

### SUNDAY SCHOOL BOOKS

The Sunday School quarterlies for December, January and February have arrived. Pick them up at church or call us to have them delivered to your house.

### MINISTRY PARTNERS – DEC 11

Welcome Center: P & T McAbee  
Nursery: T & T Sumner (am)  
B & L Abercrombie (pm)  
Children's Worship: A Weaver, A J Fortner  
Outside Ushers: J Talanges, R Rhodes, M Lineberger

### YOUTUBE CHANNEL

A library of sermons, music, studies & podcasts are available. Visit our website [www.fbcwoodruff.org](http://www.fbcwoodruff.org) for a link to this channel or search "First Baptist Woodruff" on YouTube. We give thanks for all who have been involved in recording, editing, & making this possible.

### DEACON FAMILY MINISTRY

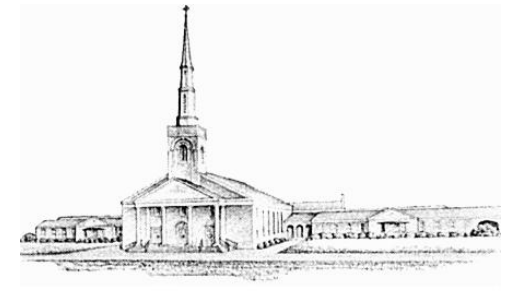
Our deacons are committed to being part of the ministry team along with our pastor & church staff. Contact them with prayer concerns, questions, & ministry opportunities as we seek to love & care for one another.

**A-Co** Nick Fortner and Mark Smith  
**Cp-Ham** Terry Sumner and Perry McAbee  
**Han-Lc** Milton Smith and Matt Lineberger  
**Li-Or** James Talanges and Ken Vaughn  
**Os-Ta** Terry Hauser and Jerald Craig  
**Tb-Z** Chris Abercrombie and Patrick Elliott

# 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 7, 2022**



### Regular Office Hours:

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

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**Susan R. Cooper, Pianist**

**Tommie Jo McAbee, Site Manager**