

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY!

9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

ETERNAL LOVE

God's plan of redemption was set in motion long ago. Jesus is the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. (Revelation 13:8) God loves us with an eternal love that spans all of time & existence. All through the Old Testament God prepares us for what Jesus will do for us on Calvary's cross. Throughout Jesus' ministry He describes His coming death & His resurrection in powerful & prophetic ways.

† He refers to it as "The Sign of Jonah." (Matthew 12:40)

† To those who challenged His authority He said, "Destroy this temple, & I will raise it again in three days." (John 2:19)

† He teaches Nicodemus that "Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up." (John 3:14)

† He taught His disciples that "unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds." (John 12:24)

† He says "When I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to Myself." (John 12:32)

† He repeatedly tells the disciples that He "must suffer" and "must be killed and on the third day be raised to life" (Matthew 16:21; Mark 8:31; Luke 9:22) and that He will be crucified. (Matthew 20:19, 26:2)

Jesus knew what He had to do to save us and willingly gave His life for you and me.

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 INTERACTIVE BIBLE STUDY

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE CHOSEN?

"You are Cherished"

Isaiah 43:3-4

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Chuck & Kathy Kobida

508 Keller Lane

Woodruff, SC 29388

Deacons: Ted Culbreath & Tommy Morgan

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Krystal Hill, 2-27

Paige Fain, 3-1

Gao Hang, 3-1

Hugh Murphy, 3-2

Olivia Thompson, 3-4

Ashlie Calhoun, 3-5

Webster Smith, 3-5

Henry Woodfin, 2-28

Jane Hendrix, 3-1

Katie Maret, 3-2

Gregg Thompson, 3-4

Keith Reynolds, 3-5

Skip Clark, 3-5

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE CHOSEN?

Interactive Bible Study

Sunday, February 27 * 6:00 pm

Join us for a great time of discussion and spiritual growth as we take part in a character driven Bible study written by the creators of *The Chosen*. This week's episode features Jesus' conversations with children as we consider what it means to be cherished by God.

YOUNG COUPLES' BIBLE STUDY

All young couples are invited to join us for Bible study on Sunday mornings. Tommy and Lynne Morgan are leading this class. It meets at 9:00 am in the room next to the youth room.

WALKING THROUGH THE BIBLE

This Wednesday, February 23 * 6:00 pm

Join us for an overview of the Book of Revelation.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Faithful – Heroes of the Old Testament

Let us know if we can order a study guide for you. Come be part of the morning group or the evening group.

Mondays * 11:00 am * Builders' Room

Led by Sandy Farmer & Lisa Abercrombie

Thursdays * 7:00 pm * Builders' Room

Led by Christy Thompson

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays * 6:30 pm * Beginning March 15

Sometimes circumstances in life make it difficult for men to be all God wants them to be. "No More Excuses" by Tony Evans urges men to stop looking at their circumstances as excuses and instead to see them as challenges and opportunities for success. Exploring examples of men of God throughout the Bible, this study will challenge you to lay down your excuses, stop compromising, and fight to be a man of character and commitment. Despite your setbacks, failures, and pressures, you can find purpose, meaning, and direction in life and become the man God has called you to be.

THE PARABLES OF JESUS

Join us on Wednesday nights at 6:00 pm beginning on March 2 as our lives are changed through a detailed study of Jesus' incredible parables.

March 2

The Parable of the Sower – Matthew 13:3-23

The Parable of the Weeds – Matthew 13:24-30

JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL!

A Place to Grow and Belong!

Each Sunday * 9:00 am

CALLED CHURCH CONFERENCE

Next Sunday, March 6

During the Morning Worship Service

For the purpose of acting on a recommendation from the Music Ministry Committee,

Personnel Committee and Deacons that we call Susan Cooper to serve as Church Pianist.

Susan Cooper has been serving through the music ministry of our church since 2004, filling in as an accompanist wherever she was needed. She is a member of the Adult Choir and has been a blessing to us as a soloist and as a member of different ensemble groups. She serves as a deacon, as the secretary of the deacon group and through a wide variety of committees and ministries of our church.

Her husband, Dr. Sam Cooper, serves as the Director of Strategic Initiatives and Special Projects at USC Upstate and teaches courses at North Greenville University. She and Sam have two children – Jonathan who is in his third year at Erskine College and Grace who is in her first year at Anderson University. Her father, the late Rev. Don Richardson served as a pastor. Her mother, Leola Richardson, has moved to Woodruff and is active in the life and ministry of our church.

Susan earned a Bachelor of Arts in Music Education, Piano major / Voice minor from Southern Wesleyan University; a Master of Arts in Intercultural Communication / Ethnomusicology from Wheaton College and a Master of Library and Information Science from the University of South Carolina.

Susan wrote as part of her testimony, "Over the years I have developed an appreciation for all the ways that God calls us to serve Him, many of them unnoticed and not glamorous or impressive to anyone but Him. He knows our true talents and strengths, whether we do or not, and I think He leads us to places where He can best put those strengths to use."

YOUTH SNOW TUBING

Our youth will be taking part in a Winter Retreat, March 5-6 and will be going snow tubing. Contact Bryan Thompson for more information and to sign up.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

For The Proposed

Early Learning Center / After School Ministry
Sunday, February 27 * 4:00 pm * Builders' Room

ALASKA MISSION TEAM

Please pray for Tracy McAbee and the Missions Team from our Spartanburg Baptist Network as they serve in Anchorage, Wasilla, & Willow, Alaska February 24 – March 5. The team will take part in opportunities for evangelism and community outreach.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

We extend our love and prayerful support to Terry Sumner, Liz Mason, Patsy Goings and Betty Flynn and their families in the death of their aunt, Lena Harper.

All ladies and girls are invited to our

LADIES BRUNCH!

Saturday, March 12 * 10:00 am

Bring your favorite brunch food & join us as we enjoy a devotion, work on our crocheting for others mission project and discuss plans for upcoming Ladies' Tea. Now is a great time to join our group and get involved. Please sign up in the office if you plan to attend. Looking forward to a fun time!

GIFTS TO THE GLORY OF GOD

Work of the Church

In Memory of Genny Morrison

Winsome Sunday School Class

Over & Above Fund

In Memory of Genny Morrison

John & Kim McAbee

Curtis & Nancy Walker

Jane Turner

Ann P Porter

Dean & Beth Dover

John & Carol Benfield

In Memory of Jimmy Godfrey

John & Kim McAbee

Heritage Fund

In Memory of Gail Hix

Bobby & Lisa Abercrombie

Martha Lanford

Gary & Jan Schmatt

Dianne King

In Memory of Genny Morrison

Bill & Shelba Scott

Sr Adult Ladies Bathroom Remodeling

In Memory of Gail Hix

In Memory of Genny Morrison

Kent & Tommie Jo McAbee

FINANCIAL REPORT

<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>Feb 13</u>	<u>2022</u>
Needs	\$ 8,962.37	\$ 71,698.96
Offering	\$ 7,654.21	\$ 67,185.95
Over/(Under)	(\$ 1,308.16)	(\$ 4,513.01)

Additional Offerings Given for Special Accounts

Over & Above	\$	275.00
Heritage Fund	\$	180.00
Sr Adult Gathering	\$	36.00
Ladies Bible Study Book	\$	59.00
Winter Retreat Refund	\$	1,932.93
Sr Adult Bathroom Remodel	\$	62.43

LAKE BOWEN FISH CAMP

Thursday, March 24 * 4:30 pm

Join us for a night out to the Lake Bowen Fish Camp in Inman. Sign up in the church office if you would like to ride the bus. We plan to leave the church back parking lot at 4:30 pm.

AUDIO / VISUAL TEAM

We are recruiting folks who are willing to assist on a rotating basis with our church sound system, projection and streaming. We will be setting up training events in the coming days. Please contact us if you would be willing to serve on one of these teams.

HEARTS FOR SCHOOLS

Would you consider donating fruit snacks or contributing funds for their purchase? The school identifies children who have a need for food over the weekend. Volunteers come together to pack bags for the children to take home on Fridays.

HERITAGE FUND

The Hix family has helped establish a Heritage Fund in memory of Gail Hix to purchase a South Carolina Historical Marker for our church. To contribute simply write "Heritage Fund" on your envelope or online gift.

TIMELY ALERTS

We are using *Remind* to send out "timely alerts" (schedule changes, death announcements, etc.) Text the message "@wfb1787" to 81010 or email us to sign up.

LIVE RADIO BROADCAST

Each Sunday * 10:00 am

Woodruff Radio WQUL 101.7 FM 1510 AM

ONLINE GIVING

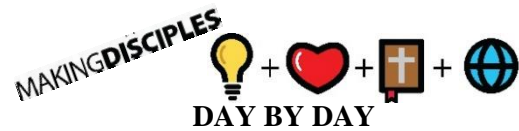
Secure online giving is available on our church website: www.fbcwoodruff.org

GOOD NEWS CLUB

The Good News Club meets each Thursday at Woodruff Elementary School (grades 3-5) from 2:30 – 4:00 pm. Sign up at cefspartanburg.com/woodruff.html.

MENTORS NEEDED

ROAD678 is an at-risk youth program ministering to students from Woodruff Middle School. The group meets at the Woodruff Community Center on Thursdays from 3:00 – 6:00 pm. In addition to mentoring opportunities there are lots of fun activities and programs that teach biblical principles and other life skills. Contact the church office for information about how to volunteer. If you would like to help sponsor a student (field trips, birthdays, food, and summer camp) simply include "ROAD678" on your envelope or online gift.



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

5:45 pm Missions & Music (4 years to grade 5)
Youth Lighthouse (grades 6 – 12)

6:00 pm Revelation Bible Study - Live on YouTube

6:45 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24

2:30 pm Good News Club – WES

7:00 pm Ladies Bible Study

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27

9:00 am Sunday School

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

4:00 pm ELC Board of Directors Meeting

6:00 pm Bible Study – What Does It Mean to Be Chosen?

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28

11:00 am Ladies Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2

5:45 pm Missions & Music (4 years to grade 5)
Youth Lighthouse (grades 6 – 12)

6:00 pm The Parables of Jesus - Live on YouTube

6:45 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MARCH 3

2:30 pm Good News Club – WES

7:00 pm Ladies Bible Study

MINISTRY PARTNERS – FEB. 27

Nursery: Iris E, Kayla M (am) Tommie Jo M, Olivia T (pm)

Children's Worship – Carol Anne T, Emilee T

Welcome Center – Ellie W

Outside Ushers – Terry H, Scott G, Cory F

ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL

Each Wednesday * 6:45 pm * Church Sanctuary

OUTSIDE USHERS

During our worship services we have teams that serve on a rotating basis – 1 Sunday each month – watching over the parking lots, entrances, and classroom areas. Please contact the church office if you would like to serve on one of these teams.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOOKS

The Sunday School quarterlies for March, April and May have arrived. Pick them up in Sunday School, or on a table in the foyer or come by the office, or call us to have them mailed or delivered to your house.

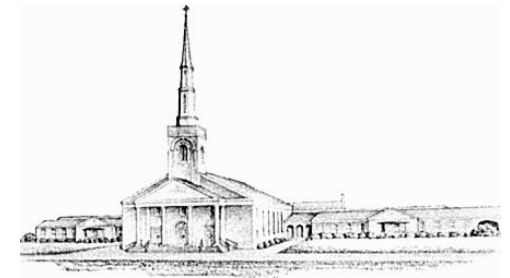
THANK YOU!

Dear Prayer Warriors, Thank you for praying for the ministry at Antioch Presbyterian Church (PCA.) We rejoice in Christ our King as we serve Him together in Woodruff. We are delight in the fellowship we enjoy with you at First Baptist, and we are honored to pray for you all in your significant ministry to your and our neighbors. Grace and Peace, **Zachary Groff**, Pastor

THE ENCOURAGER

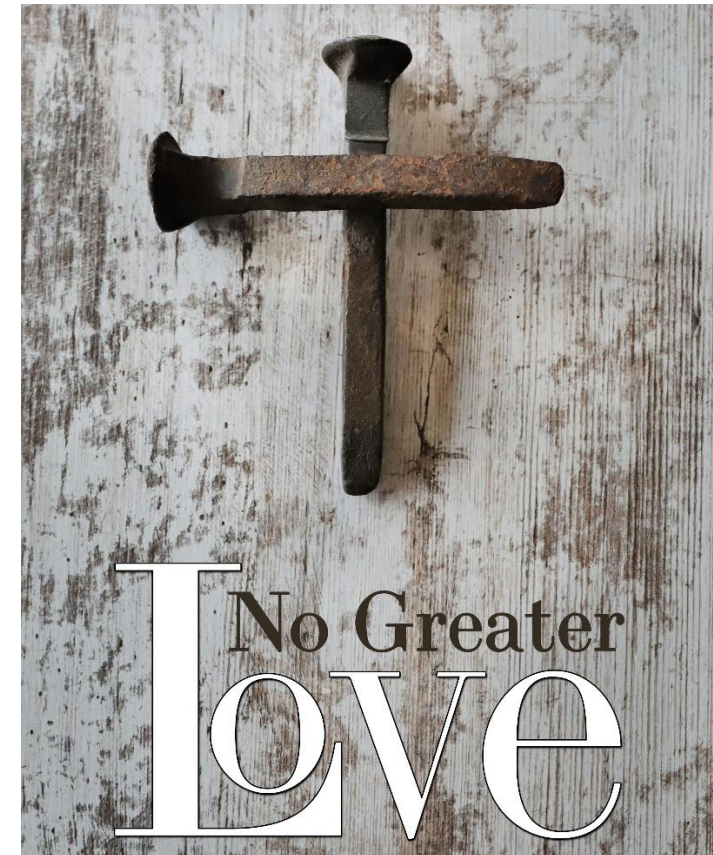
"...to prepare all God's people for the work of Christian Service to build up the body of Christ."

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First Baptist Church * Woodruff, South Carolina

February 23, 2022



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