PREPARING FOR SUNDAY! January 16

9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

THE REGALS QUARTET

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

PSALMS – THE CHARACTER OF GOD

Psalm 42, 43 & 130

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Jan Skinner, 1-16
Carol Anne Talanges, 1-18
Sharon Meadows, 1-19
Angie Hauser, 1-22

Cory Fain, 1-16
Ethan Carroll, 1-18
Zachary Hang, 1-20

JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL!

A Place to Grow and Belong! Each Sunday * 9:00 am

YOUNG COUPLES' SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY

All young couples are invited to a new Bible study on Sunday mornings. Tommy and Lynne Morgan are leading this class, and it meets at 9:00 am in the room next to the youth room. The initial Bible study focuses specifically on marriage.

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 is you would like to serve on one of these teams.

TEACHER APPRECIATION

Each month the churches in our community are taking turns to bless the teachers and staff that work in Spartanburg School District Four. February is the month our church is responsible for showing appreciation. We plan to take treats to the schools for the staff members to enjoy at their convenience. We have over 400 people to bless. Would you please help us show our love and support to our teachers by donating to this mission project? Simply mark "Teacher Appreciation" on your envelope or online gift and donate by Feb. 9. Thank you for helping us bless our teachers!

THE REGALS

This Sunday Morning, January 16 * 10:00 am
We look forward to a wonderful service of music and
praise as The Regals Quartet leads us in worship (Gary
Hautamaki, Kim Lanford, Steve Woodward, and
guest musician, Dwayne Burke.) Invite family and
friends to come with you.

WINTER YOUTH RETREAT

January 15 – 17 * Pigeon Forge/Sevierville, TN Strength to Stand Conference

Be praying for our youth and their chaperons – Brayden Calhoun, Eli Cooper, Xander Dotson, Corey Fortner, Jaden Jeter, Raina Jeter, Kenny Mabery, Tyler Mabery, Kaleb Thomas, Emilee Thompson, Olivia Thompson, David Ward, Harrison Ward, Bella Wilson, Nolan Young, Bryan Thompson, Christy Thompson, John Ward as they take part in a weekend of service, discipleship and fellowship.

2022 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 them as we seek to be faithful to the mission He has entrusted to us in Woodruff & beyond. Please contact us if you haven't been receiving envelope packets but would like to start.

SUNDAY BLUEGRASS

Sunday Morning, January 30 * 10:00 am
Join us for Sunday Bluegrass. Milton Smith, Mike
Elliott, Skip Scott and special guests Abe Darling,
Kevin Ward and Joey Warner will be leading the music
portion of our worship service. Invite family and friends
to come with you.



SOUP-ER BOWL SUNDAY

Sunday, February 13

Bring canned goods as you come to church on Super Bowl Sunday. The

food will be given to Helping Hands Ministries to help those who are in need in the Woodruff Community. They are especially in need of soups and canned vegetables.

DISASTER RELIEF

Our hearts go out to those in the devastation of the tornados in the midwest. To contribute to the ministry of our Southern Baptist Disaster Relief Teams, simply mark "Disaster Relief" on your envelope or online gift.

LIVE RADIO BROADCAST

Each Sunday * 10:00 am Woodruff Radio WQUL 101.7 FM 1510 AM



JANUARY BIBLE STUDY

Each Sunday in January 6:00 pm

Psalms: The Character of God

Coffee, Tea, Cider and Hot Chocolate

We will have gloved and masked hosts and hostesses ready to take and prepare your drink order.

Children's Class

In addition to the class for the Adults we will offer a special class for children. A nursery will be provided.

Psalms: The Character of God

The entire range of human emotion from deepest despair to the highest joys are captured in the *Psalms*. Used in the worship of Almighty God, they contain deep, powerful, life-changing theological truths that give us a greater glimpse into the character of our God. This Sunday night we will look at Psalm 42, 43 and 130. All three of these psalms help us learn that regardless of the circumstances we should put our hope in God.

ONLINE GIVING

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

LADIES FIRST TUESDAY

Our Titus 2 Ladies meet the first Tuesday of each month. Please let Lisa Abercrombie know if you plan to attend.

2022 FLOWER CALENDAR

Call or come by the church office to reserve the Sunday you would like to put flowers in the sanctuary in 2022.

SENIOR ADULT GATHERING

Tuesday, February 15 * 11:30 am

All are invited to join us for a hot dog lunch, prepared by Ken and Lynn Vaughn, and a time of fellowship & music provided by Sandra Jones. The menu will be: Hot dogs with chili, chips, slaw & desserts. So that we will know how many to prepare for, tickets (\$4.00) must be purchased by Friday, February 11. Please share this information with anyone that you know would like to join us!

2021 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Contribution Statements have been prepared and have been placed in the mail. May you know God's rich blessings as you worship Him through giving.

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.

With love and appreciation for JIM AND KAY YOUNG

Special Service - Sunday, February 6 * 10:00 am A Reception will follow the Worship Service

Jim & Kay Young have purchased a house in Columbia, near their daughter Angela and their son in law Russell, and plan to move near the end of this month. We are grateful for all the many ways that Jim & Kay have used their gifts to the glory of God through First Baptist. They will be greatly missed. Kay began serving as our church pianist on June 1, 2003, 18 ½ years ago. Jim has given faithful devotion and service to the Lord through many different projects but especially through his work with our church sound system. Please let them know of your love, prayers & appreciation.

PRAISE GOD!

(Excerpts from the sermon preached on January 2) When C. S. Lewis was first coming to entrust himself to Jesus... one of the things he struggled with was the way throughout the Scriptures, but especially in Psalms, that God commands and delights in the praise of His people. Is God looking for compliments? Does He need us to congratulate Him? Why is worship important to a God who needs nothing? As Lewis struggled with these questions, he began to see some of the things about praising God that he had been missing.

When we get a glimpse of God's glory, praise is the correct and necessary response. If we aren't moved by a beautiful sunrise or stirring music it points to a deadness in us or a lack of participation in life and God's glory is far greater than the most impressive sunrise or the most powerfully stirring music.

Praise is a natural expression of our enjoyment of God. Our enjoyment is not complete unless we express it.

God desires our greatest good and He, Himself, is our greatest good. Praise is one of the ways we experience God's presence. God is revealed to us in fresh and deep ways through praise.

Praising God changes us. It changes our attitude, our perspective, our view of the circumstances and our commitment.

While our praise of God is woefully inadequate it allows us to anticipate joining in the mighty chorus of all of God's people – lost in wonder, love and praise.

FINANCIAL REPORT				
BUDGET		Jan 9		<u>2022</u>
Needs	\$	8,962.37	5	17,924.74
Offering	\$	8,377.01	5	13,508.50
Over/(Under)	(\$	585.36)	(5	\$ 4,416.24)
Additional Offerings Given for Special Accounts				
Over & Above		_	\$	20.00
Stewardship Funds			\$	5.00
Youth Fund			\$	81.00



Wednesdays * 6:00 pm * Fellowship Hall

January 12 – 1 Peter January 19 – 2 Peter

2 Peter gives instructions to Christians about how to defend against false, immoral teachers and their deceptive lies. Letters from the 2nd generation of disciples indicate that Peter died during Nero's persecution of the Church, so this epistle may have been written just before his death in 67-68 AD from a Roman prison, shortly after he wrote what we know as 1 Peter. Peter writes "I think it is right to refresh your memory as long as I live in the tent of this body, because I know that I will soon put it aside, as our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me. And I will make every effort to see that after my departure you will always be able to remember these things." 2 Peter 1:13-15 While the letter is not formally addressed to a particular group, it seems based on 2 Peter 3:1 that he is writing to the same group as he did in his previous letter - the Christian exiles scattered throughout the Roman provinces of Asia Minor (modern day Turkey.) He encourages believers to increase in their knowledge and understanding (the word knowledge appears in some form 16 times in 3 short chapters) as they continue to grow in their faith and in Christ-like character. False doctrine is exposed and combated by knowing the truth. He presents evewitness testimony (1:16-18;) confirmation of the divine origin of Scripture (1:19-21;) a reminder that God rescues the godly and holds the unrighteous for the day of judgment (2:1-22:) reasons for the delay in Christ's return (3:3-15:) a statement about the future destruction of the world by fire (3:10;) and recognition of Paul's letters as inspired Scripture (3:15-16.) He concludes with the admonition to "Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be glory both now and forever! Amen." (3:18)

THANK YOU!

Dear Church Family, Thank you for the beautiful cards I received during Christmas. I miss being with you. Thank you also for the prayers for Peggy and me. Please continue prayers for sweet Peggy as she recovers from surgery. She is a blessing to me. I am grateful for being a member of such a caring church. We have Bible study and services each week. Wishing you all a Happy 2022 filled with peace and happiness. Love & Blessings.

Audrey Bettis

I want to thank you for the Christmas cards sent to us over the years. It has been encouraging to me and I wish to thank all who participated in this ministry. I pray God's speed and blessing on your church and staff.

Stan Webb



DAY BY DAY

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12

5:45 pm Missions & Music (4 years to grade 5) Youth Lighthouse (grades 6 – 12) 6:00 pm 2 Peter Bible Study - Live on YouTube 6:45 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15

1:30 pm Youth Depart for Winter Retreat

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16

9:00 am Sunday School

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

6:00 pm January Bible Study – Psalms

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

5:45 pm Missions & Music (4 years to grade 5) Youth Lighthouse (grades 6 – 12) 6:00 pm Bible Study - Live on YouTube 6:45 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

FCA

The Woodruff High School Fellowship of Christian Athletes is seeking support to send students to camp, host local events, speakers, t-shirts, food and expenses. If you would like to contribute to the love offering we will send from the church, simply designate an amount & mark it "FCA" on your contribution envelope or online gift.

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.

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 James Talanges

Cp-G Chris Abercrombie and Matt Lineberger

H-Lc Ted Culbreath and Tommy Morgan

Ld-Q Terry Hauser and Jason Ketterman

R-S Sam Cooper and Susan Cooper

T-Z Terry Sumner and Randy Rhodes

FIND US ON FACEBOOK

Facebook users can use this resource to invite people to our events and services.

MINISTRY PARTNERS

Jan 16: Nursery – R & L Forrester (am) M Ward (pm)
Children's Worship – T Smith, J Jeter
Welcome Center: M & T Smith
Outside Ushers: N Fortner, B Abercrombie

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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