### PREPARING FOR SUNDAY! January 17

9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

#### 10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

WE SHALL BE LIKE HIM 1 John 3:1-3

Jesus is coming again! "But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is." We have a glorious future. We long for His appearing. Our faith will be made sight. We prepare for that day by seeking to be more and more like Jesus.

Join us in person or by way of live stream or radio broadcast WOUL 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

Join us in person or by way of live stream or later on the church YouTube channel.

#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Carol Anne Talanges. 1-18 Ethan Carroll. 1-18 Sharon Meadows, 1-19 Zachary Hang, 1-20 Angie Hauser, 1-22 Rick Tipton, 1-21

#### CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

We extend our love and prayerful support to Ed Mobley & family in the death of his mother, Geraldine Mobley.

#### LOVE OFFERING FOR FBC COWPENS

First Baptist Church, Cowpens, sanctuary and educational building were destroyed by a fire on Dec. 26. We would like to send a love offering from our church to our sister church. If you would like to contribute write the word "Cowpens" on your envelope or designation.

#### LIVE RADIO BROADCAST

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

#### JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL!

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



#### SOUP-ER BOWL SUNDAY

Sunday, February 7

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.



### **JANUARY BIBLE STUDY**

**Each Sunday in January** 6:00 pm

#### LIVING WITH ASSURANCE: John's Epistles

Join us as we strengthen our faith by learning to "Live with Assurance." 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. We plan to live stream the study for those who cannot attend in person. It will also be available for viewing later on our church YouTube channel.

#### 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 and their chaperons – **Brayden** Calhoun, Amy Carlile, Jake Carlile, Phoebe Carlile, Aubrey Carroll, Sergey Culbreath, Corey Fortner, Jaden Jeter, Raina Jeter, Christiana Mabery, Kenny Mabery, Emma Seteroff, Bryan Thompson, Christy Thompson, Emilee Thompson, Olivia Thompson, David Ward, Harrison Ward, Amanda Weaver, Jimmy Weaver, Rodney Weaver, Nolan Young, Lisa Abercrombie (backup) and John Ward (backup) as they take part in a weekend of service, discipleship and fellowship. They will go snow tubing on Saturday. On Sunday they will pack boxes for the local food bank, Neighbors Feeding Neighbors.

#### 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.

#### **BLOOD DRIVE**

Wednesday, January 27 \* 3:00 - 6:00 pm Mark your calendar and plan to take part by making a life saving donation.

### **MISSIONS MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES**

As the new year begins, we have several opportunities for you to help those in need in our community. Helping **Hands Ministries** is in need of volunteers to help pick up food from local grocery stores and to help distribute food to people that come in for assistance. If you have extra time on your hands please contact Sandi Turner at 476-2401 to see how you can bless others. Helping Hands would greatly appreciate donations for the following items: corn, green beans, canned meats, pasta and sauces and macaroni and cheese. The Woodruff Area Soup Kitchen also can use help with their meal distributions. Please contact Beth Grant at 706-0896 if you would like to volunteer. Thanks for giving of your time and talents to share God's love with people from our community!

#### MASKS ENCOURAGED!

Please consider wearing a mask when you come to church. There is a basket of individually packaged masks by the entrance of each sanctuary door.

#### **GIFTS TO THE GLORY OF GOD!**

Work of The Church Fund

In Memory of Vicki Manley

In Memory of James Smith

Ronnie & Ann Henson

Joann Laster

Jerald Craig

**Bodyline Paint & Collision** 

Gloria Patton

Tania Ford

Russ & Vivian Poole

Over & Above Fund In Memory of James Smith

Jane Turner

Phil & Myra Wood & Family The Crooke's

In Memory of Arthur Wood

J. Todd Wood & Angie Wood Turner

Children's Ministry Fund

In Memory of James Smith

Bobby & Lisa Abercrombie

#### FINANCIAL REPORT BUDGET Jan 10 \$ 8.905.02 \$ 17.810.04 Needs Offering \$ 15,098.47 \$ 19,422.67 \$ 6,193.45 Over/(Under) \$ 1.612.63 Additional Offerings Given for Special Accounts Over & Above Fund 375.00 Stewardship Funds 7.73 FBC Cowpens Fund 175.00 Children's Fund 40.00 Theology Class 50.00 Use of the Church 200.00

#### NEW MAILED ENVELOPE SYSTEM

We are grateful for your gifts to the Lord's church. We pray 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.) 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.                    |  |
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|  | (12 for monthly giving, 52 for weekly giving or other.) |  |
|  | I would like sets. (Some people give as a coup          |  |
|  | 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    |  |
|  | need on Sundays or I'll give online or by bank draft)   |  |

#### 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.

Jan. 13 – *Esther*, Jan 20 - *Job* 

Job is one of the oldest stories known to mankind. The events it records take place sometime after the Tower of Babel but before or during the period of Abraham (around 2,000 BC.) Terrible things happen to Job. His friends come to "comfort" him, and in the process give long speeches about why they think these things have happened. The story challenges (and disproves) many of our assumptions about suffering. Neither Job nor his "friends" really knew why things happened as they did, but by the end of his struggle, Job rested in nothing but faith in God's goodness and the hope of his redemption. Job teaches us that trouble is part of the world we live in, but that God is greater than our trouble and can even use our trouble for good. It teaches us that while our adversary, Satan, is powerful, he is no match for God. It reminds us that God is truly sovereign and that He is more than worthy of our trust even in the most difficult of circumstances. Job tells us he needs an "Advocate" which helps us see our need for Jesus, our Advocate before the Father (1 John 2:1.) By faith, Job believes in the Redeemer that will be revealed to us as Jesus Christ –

"I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end He will stand on the earth." Job 19:25

#### **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. Last week featured part 1 of a 2 part series entitled "CREATOR vs. COVID." Rev. Andy Watson joined Chris Abercrombie and Andrew Shull for the discussion. If you have questions that would be good to discuss on future podcasts, email us at <a href="deepdive4life@gmail.com">deepdive4life@gmail.com</a>. Remember to dive into scriptures each day!

#### 2020 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.

#### THANK YOU!

God bless everyone for all the Christmas cards. They made my Christmas full of friends and your love. Jesus loves you all. **Brenda Culbertson** 

Appreciation is expressed to **Dayna Chumley** who has been working to help us with the letters and envelopes for the new contribution envelope system.

#### DAY BY DAY

#### **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13**

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

6:45 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

#### **SATURDAY, JANUARY 16**

Youth Depart for Winter Retreat

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 17

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Worship Service – Live on Radio & YouTube 6:00 pm January Bible Study – Live on YouTube

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20

6:00 pm Walking Through The Bible; Mission Friends; Children's Choir Rehearsal; Youth Lighthouse 6:45 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

#### YOUTUBE CHANNEL

Each week we are recording and posting a number of sermons, music, Bible studies and podcasts to our Church YouTube Channel. Visit our church website <a href="https://www.fbcwoodruff.org">www.fbcwoodruff.org</a> for a link to this channel or search for "First Baptist Woodruff" on YouTube. We give thanks for all who have been involved in recording, editing, and making this possible.

#### OVER AND ABOVE PROJECT

**\$97,656.03** has been contributed!

#### 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 <a href="mailto:rdvaughans@gmail.com">rdvaughans@gmail.com</a>. Thank you for making this memory album more complete.

#### 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.

#### MINISTRY PARTNERS – JAN. 17

Children's Worship – C A Talanges, A J Fortner Nursery: T & T Sumner (AM) T & S Culbreath (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.

A-Co Buddy Few and John Ward

Cp-G Jason Ketterman and Tommy Morgan

H-Lc Patrick Elliott and Ken Vaughn

Ld-Q Milton Smith and Terry Sumner

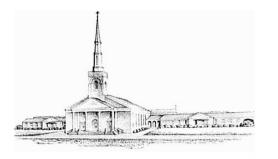
R-S Ted Culbreath and Terry Hauser

T-Z Sam Cooper and Susan Cooper

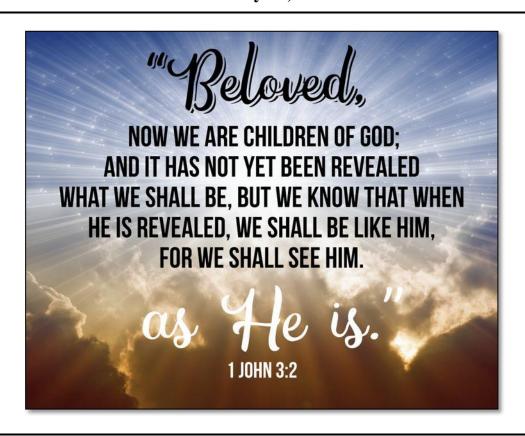
# THE ENCOURAGER

"...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 January 13, 2021



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