

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

9:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Worship Service
11:00 am Covered Dish Luncheon
Honoring Bryan Thompson
5:00 pm Parents of Youth Meeting – Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm The Chosen – Season 3 Episode 4

MONDAY, JANUARY 30

11:00 am Ladies Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

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

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2

2:30 pm Good News Club – WES

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4

10:00 am Church Work Day

WELCOME!

We are delighted that you are here and pray that God will use this service of worship in a powerful way in your life. We would love to share information with you about our church. Please fill out one of the cards in the pew rack and place it in one of the offering boxes, which are located by the exits, at the conclusion of the service.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers on the Lord’s Table are given to the glory of God and in honor of Bryan Thompson.

COVERED DISH MEAL – TODAY AFTER THE SERVICE

Join with us as we give thanks for and honor Bryan Thompson and the Thompson family.

PARENTS OF YOUTH MEETING

This Afternoon * 5:00 pm * Fellowship Hall

Parents of Youth are invited & urged to come & meet with our pastor to brainstorm, plan & pray as we think about how we can continue the task of helping our young people become strong disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ.

GREAT THINGS HAPPEN ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS!

Church Bible Study * 6:00 pm * Fellowship Hall

Join with us as our church gathers for prayer & for Bible study! Coffee, tea, hot chocolate & cider are provided.

Music and Missions (K4 – Grade 5) & Youth Lighthouse (Grades 6-12) * Each week at 5:45 pm.

Sanctuary Choir rehearsal * 7:00 pm.

CHURCH WORK DAY * THIS SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4 * 10:00 AM

Join us as we paint the windows and door frames of the fellowship building inside the courtyard. (They were scrapped and prepared on a previous work day.)

SENIOR ADULT GATHERING * NEXT TUESDAY, FEB 7 * 11:30 AM

Join us for a soup, sandwich & singing luncheon prepared by **Ken & Lynn Vaughn**, & a time of fellowship & music provided by **Sandra Jones**. The menu will be vegetable soup, pimento cheese sandwiches, crackers & desserts. So that we will know how many to prepare for, purchase a ticket (\$5) **by this Friday, Feb. 3.**

SOUP KITCHEN MINISTRY * NEXT TUESDAY, FEB 7 * 5:00 PM

Our church will be serving supper and sharing a devotion time with the people at the Woodruff Area Soup Kitchen. Please let Lisa Abercrombie know if you can help with this outreach ministry.

MINISTRY PARTNERS

Nursery: Corey & Paige F (am) Lynn M & Tammy S (pm)
C Worship: Amanda W & Emillia W Ushers: Mark S & Jason K

MY DECISION

Name _____ Telephone _____
Address _____

I COME TODAY TO MAKE THIS PUBLIC COMMITMENT:

- I accept **Jesus Christ** as my personal **Savior** and **Lord**.
- I want to become a member of First Baptist Church by baptism.
- I want to join First Baptist Church by transferring my letter of membership from the _____ Church.
- I want to commit myself fully to serving **Christ**.
- Other Decision _____

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We Gather for Worship

First Baptist Church
Woodruff, South Carolina

The Lord’s Day

January 29, 2023

Ten O’Clock

Broadcast Live on YouTube and Woodruff Radio 101.7 FM 1510 AM

“I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.” Galatians 2:20

Prelude

Gathering

Across the Lands

**You're the Word of God the Father, from before the world began;
Every star and every planet has been fashioned by Your hand.**

**All creation holds together by the power of Your voice:
Let the skies declare Your glory, let the land and seas rejoice!**

**You're the Author of creation, You're the Lord of every man;
And Your cry of love rings out across the lands.**

**Yet You left the gaze of angels, came to seek and save the lost,
And exchanged the joy of Heaven for the anguish of a cross.
With a prayer You fed the hungry, with a word You stilled the sea.
Yet how silently You suffered that the guilty may go free!**

**With a shout You rose victorious, wresting victory from the grave,
And ascended into Heaven leading captives in Your wake.
Now You stand before the Father interceding for Your own.
From each tribe and tongue and nation You are leading sinners home!**

Welcome

Lisa Abercrombie

Appreciation for Bryan Thompson

Committing Ourselves to Following Christ

Hymn 61 - Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me

**What gift of grace is Jesus my Redeemer!
There is no more for Heaven now to give.**

**He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom,
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.**

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus. For my life is wholly bound to His.

Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!

Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

**The night is dark, but I am not forsaken. For by my side, the Savior He will stay.
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing for in my need, His power is displayed.**

**To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me,
Through the deepest valley He will lead.
Oh, the night has been won, and I shall overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.**

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven. The future sure, the price it has been paid.

**For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave.
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated. Jesus now and ever is my plea.
Oh, the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.**

**With every breath I long to follow Jesus.
For He has said that He will bring me home.
And day by day I know He will renew me.
Until I stand with joy before the throne.**

**To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus. All the glory evermore to Him.
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!**

Scripture Reading, Music Meditation and Pastoral Prayer Bryan Thompson
Philippians 2:1-11

Songs of Faithful Dependence on Christ

Hymn 60 – *Be Thou My Vision*

Hymn 253 – *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*

Stewardship Prayer John Carroll

Children's Moment and Children's Worship

(After the Stewardship Prayer, children are invited to join our pastor at the front - and after the Children's Moment, they are invited to go with our children's worship leaders to Children's Worship.)

Children's Moment

Worship in Song Sanctuary Choir
Embrace the Cross

Message Andrew Shull
THE WAY OF THE DISCIPLE: TAKE UP THE CROSS
Luke 9:22-26

v. 22 And He said, "The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and He must be killed and on the third day be raised to life."

"Son of Man" – Jesus has been given authority, glory and sovereign power and will be worshipped by all nations and people of every language. His Kingdom will never end – see Daniel 7:13-14. Jesus is the true King we must obey and follow.

"Must" – There is no other way of salvation. Jesus is the only one in all the universe who is perfect and is fully God and fully man.

Precision – Jesus tells us exactly what is about to happen so that when it does happen we will understand more fully who He is and what He came to do.

"Rejected" – Our sinful pride leads us away from God.

"Suffer," "Be Killed" – He pays the price we owe. He is pierced for us. It is by His wounds that we are healed - See Isaiah 53.

"Be Raised" – Jesus will conquer sin and death. Because He lives we can live.

v. 23 Then He said to them all: "Whoever wants to be My disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow Me."

"Whoever wants to be My disciple" – A required, essential, non-negotiable commitment.

"Deny Themselves" – To put aside selfishness. To live a God-centered life.

"Take Up Their Cross Daily" – To live sacrificially – being willing to do unpleasant and difficult things – to risk your life and livelihood for Christ.

"Follow Me" – to obey Christ, following His example – having the same attitude.

v. 24 "For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for Me will save it."

Self-centeredness robs us of what is truly important in life and eternity.

Christ-centeredness leads to peace, joy, fulfillment and love in this life and the life to come. We are called to be faithful even unto death.

v. 25 "What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit their very self?"

This world can only give temporary pleasure. Don't lose sight of eternity.

v. 26 "Whoever is ashamed of Me and My words, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when He comes in His glory and in the glory of the Father and of the holy angels."

Follow Jesus at all costs. He bore our shame. Stand with the Truth.

Time of Commitment (Hymn 285) *Wherever He Leads I'll Go*

Benediction

Postlude



**Tonight * 6:00 pm
Fellowship Hall
Bible study
& Discussion**

C. Andrew Shull, Pastor
John C. Carroll, Minister of Music
Bryan C. Thompson, Associate Pastor for Youth

Lisa C. Abercrombie, Ministry Coordinator
Susan R. Cooper, Pianist
Tommie Jo McAbee, Site Manager