PREPARING FOR SUNDAY! January 9

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

Celebration of the Lord's Supper
THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO PSALMS
(A look at the powerful prophecies in Psalms concerning Jesus' life, death & resurrection.)

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.

11:00 AM CONFERENCE

January Church Conference

6:00 PM JANUARY BIBLE STUDY

PSALMS – THE CHARACTER OF GOD Psalm 32 & 51

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Lisa Abercrombie, 1-11 Steve Patton, 1-15

OBSERVE COMMUNION AT HOME

If you will be participating in the worship service through our YouTube channel or through the radio broadcast this Sunday and would like to have a communion set, please stop by the church office or call us, 476-8171, and we will deliver it to you.

JANUARY CHURCH CONFERENCE

This Sunday, January 9 * After the Morning Service If your group or committee would like to be included in the printed reports, please turn your information in before Friday, January 7.

Pray for our youth and adults as they take part in the

WINTER YOUTH RETREAT

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

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.

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.



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.

Youth Class & Children's Class

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

Psalms: The Character of God

Through the Psalms many aspects of God's character are revealed. The entire collection of psalms is entitled "Praises" in the Hebrew Bible. The Greek version of the Hebrew Bible (The Septuagint) called it *Psalms* from a Greek verb that means "plucking or twanging of strings." Psalms was Israel's ancient, God breathed "hymn book." King David wrote at least 75 of the 150 psalms; Asaph wrote 12; the sons of Korah wrote 10; others were written by Moses (Psalm 90): Solomon (Psalm 72 & 127): Heman (Psalm 88); and Ethan (Psalm 89). The remaining 48 psalms are anonymous in their authorship, though Ezra is thought to be the author of some. The psalms were written over a period of almost 1,000 years (from Moses around 1410 BC to the years of Persian rule after the Babylonian exile around 445 BC.) Psalms is the largest book in the Bible and the most frequently quoted Old Testament book by the New Testament writers. The entire range of human emotion from deepest despair to the highest joys are captured in Psalms. Used in the worship of Almighty God, they contain deep, powerful, life-changing theological truths. Although written hundreds of years before Christ, many of the psalms contain specific Messianic prophecies that are perfectly fulfilled in Christ. Psalm 22 is written from the perspective of one who is being crucified (hundreds of years before crucifixion was practiced) and is quoted by Jesus from the cross. It includes details about His hands and feet being pierced, His bones not being broken and that people cast lots for His clothing.

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 will be leading this class, and it will meet at 9:00 am in the room next to the youth room. The first few weeks will be a Bible study that focuses specifically on marriage.

2021 FINANCIAL REPORT

Budget Receipts: \$455,852.07 Budget Expenditures: \$443,225.97

Total Received: \$ 668,128.94 (This figure includes all budget and designated gifts.)

In addition to the work and on-going ministry of our church, your gifts through budget and designated offerings also supported the work of Christ through...

Lottie Moon (International Missions) - \$ 4.675.00

Annie Armstrong (North American Missions) - \$ 3035.00

Janie Chapman (South Carolina Missions) - \$ 1000.00

SC Baptist Convention - \$19,560.34

Spartanburg County Baptist Network - \$ 6,846.14

Disaster Relief - \$ 90.00 FBC Cowpens - \$ 615.00

WHS Fellowship of Christian Athletes - \$ 100.00

Mission Dignity - \$ 600.00

Helping Hands Ministries - \$ 8,400.00

Woodruff Community Clothes Closet - \$ 600.00

Mobile Meals - \$ 600.00

Woodruff Community Center - \$ 600.00

Woodruff Area Soup Kitchen - \$ 1,500.00

Agape Center - \$ 600.00

Woodruff Baptist Association - \$ 500.00

Hearts for Schools - \$ 300.00

Mission Project Scholarships - \$ 340.00

Woodruff High School Theology Class - \$ 2,927.50

MICHIKO PHILLIP'S ESTATE

Last week our church completed the sale of Michiko Phillip's house to Ben Harrison for \$73,501.00 with the buyer paying all closing costs. In total (after estate expenses were paid) the church has received \$205,122.56. We are very grateful for Michiko's thoughtfulness and generosity and look forward to the way that God will continue to use her gifts for His glory. Great appreciation is expressed to our 20-21 Trustees – Milton Smith, Ken Vaughn and Ted Culbreath and to all who have helped with the house and estate over the last 13 months.

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.

DECORATING COMMITTEE

Great appreciation is expressed to our Decorating Committee for their beautiful work during the Christmas season. It adds so much to our times of worship and fellowship.

THE REGALS

Next 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.

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.

LIVE RADIO BROADCAST

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

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.

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.

GIFTS TO THE GLORY OF GOD

Over & Above Fund

In Memory of Jimmy Godfrey
Terry & Tammy Sumner

FINANCIAL REPORT **BUDGET Dec 26** 2021 Needs \$ 8,905.02 \$463,061.04 \$ 7,795.00 \$455,852.07 Offering (\$ 1,110.02) Over/(Under) (\$ 7,208.97) **Additional Offerings Given for Special Accounts** Over & Above 25.00 Lottie Moon 610.00 Disaster Relief 40.00 Stewardship Funds 5.00 Prison Ministry 50.00 Youth Fund 60.00 Theology Class 20.00 Estate Gift 73.501.00 BUDGET 2022 Jan 2 Needs \$ 8,962.37 \$ 8,962.37 Offering \$ 5,131.49 \$ 5,131.49 (\$ 3,830.88) Over/(Under) (\$ 3,830.88)

WALKING THROUGH THE BIBLE

Wednesdays * 6:00 pm * Fellowship Hall

January 5 – James January 12 – 1 Peter

1 Peter was written during a time when Christians were facing great persecution. It is thought to have been written some time around the fire of Rome in 64 AD. The Roman Emperor Nero (d. 68 AD) who was blamed for the fire attempted to shift the blame to Christians who were already a hated minority group. 1 Peter was written from "Babylon" (5:13) which is thought to a reference to Rome by Peter (1:1) "with the help of Silas" (5:12) and includes greetings from the Gospel writer, Mark (5:13.) It is addressed to the exiles (1:1) scattered throughout the Roman provinces of Asia Minor (modern day Turkey.)

More than a survival guide, it is written to teach Christians to live victoriously in the midst of persecution and hostility – without losing hope (1:3) – with a faith refined by suffering (1:6-7) – and with an inexpressible joy (1:8-9.) Peter lifts up the example of Jesus and urges us to "follow in His steps" (2:21) so that we may endure suffering without retaliation by entrusting ourselves "to Him who judges justly" (2:23.) We are to live a life of holiness (1:15-16, 2:1, 11;) be alert, sober and prayerful (1:13; 4:7, 5:8;) treasure the redemption purchased for us through Jesus' blood (1:18-19;) love deeply (1:22, 4:8-9;) grow in our salvation by craving spiritual milk (2:2-3) anticipate Christ's return (2:12;) submit to authority (2:13-15;) be good stewards of freedom (2:16;) value the right things (3:3-4;) be prepared to give a reason for our hope (3:15;) desire God's will (4:2-6;) be ready to give an account to God for our lives (4:5;) use the gifts that have been entrusted to us (4:9-11;) continue to do good (4:18-19;) clothe ourselves in humility (5:5-6;) give Jesus our worries (5:7;) resist the devil (5:8-9;) take comfort in the family of believers (5:9;) and anticipate victory (5:10-11.)

SPRING SEMESTER WHS COURSE

On Tuesday we began two Christian Beliefs classes (2nd and 3rd period) with 35 high school seniors. We have supplied the students with Bibles, books and resources for the class. **If you would like to help** with the cost of books simply mark an envelope 'WHS Course.' Thank you for your support of this incredible opportunity.

DAY BY DAY

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5

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

6:00 pm James Bible Study - Live on YouTube

6:45 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9

9:00 am Sunday School

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

11:00 am January Church Conference

6:00 pm January Bible Study – Psalms

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12

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

6:00 pm 1 Peter 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.

GOOD NEWS CLUB

The Good News Club will begin meeting each Thursday at Woodruff Elementary School (grades 3-5) on Thursday, January 6 from 2:30 – 4:00 pm. Sign up at cefspartanburg.com/woodruff.html.

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.

FIND US ON FACEBOOK

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

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

MINISTRY PARTNERS

Jan 9: Nursery – J & J Westmoreland (am) C & E Thompson (pm) Children's Worship – A Weaver, A Fortner

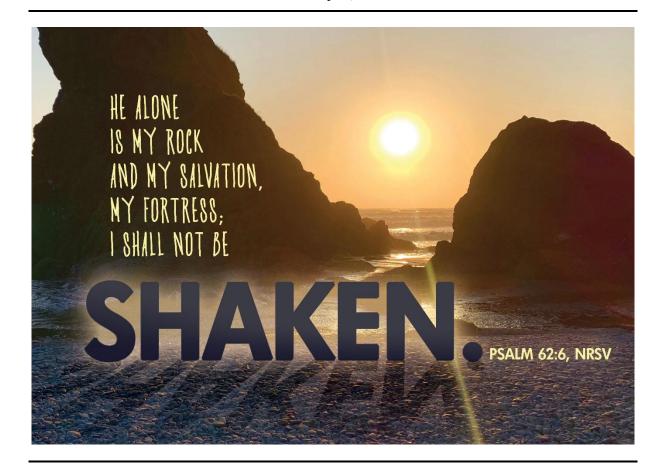
THE ENCOURAGER

"...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 5, 2022



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