

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JULY 23

9:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Worship Service
1:00 pm Youth Tubing
6:00 pm Bible Study – Forgive

MONDAY, JULY 24

9:00 am GA’s to Camp LaVida

MONDAY (continued)

11:00 am Women’s Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26

6:00 pm Church Bible Study
7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JULY 27

6:30 pm Women’s Bible Study

WELCOME!

We are glad you are here and pray that God will use this service of worship in a powerful way in your life. If you are new here, please fill out one of the cards in the pew rack & place it in the offering plate or give it to our pastor.

WITH LOVE AND APPRECIATION FOR REBEKAH WIREMAN

We are grateful to God for Rebekah and for her investment in the lives of our young people this summer. She has done an amazing job. Please continue to pray for her as she concludes her ministry through our church and as she returns to school in Alabama.

FORGIVE: WHY SHOULD I? HOW CAN I?

Tonight * 6:00 pm * Fellowship Hall

CAMP LAVIDA

Pray for Emillia Ward & Juliet Brooks as they take part in GA Camp July 24-28.

CHURCH BIBLE STUDY * THE LIFE OF JESUS

Wednesdays * 6:00 pm * Fellowship Hall

Come be with your family of faith as we share prayer concerns and study God’s word together.

CHRISTIAN LEARNING CENTER SUMMER CAMPS

Please continue to pray for the children and staff of the Christian Learning Center. This week is S.T.E.A.M.

GREAT START WOODRUFF

Come & help sort materials at the Community Center on Monday, July 31 at 10:00 am. Our church is scheduled to distribute the school supplies on Tuesday, August 1 from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm. Let us know if you can help.

VOLUNTEERS & PARENTS OF YOUTH MEETING

Next Sunday, July 30 * 5:00 pm * Fellowship Hall

Let’s meet together to brainstorm, plan and pray as we think about how we can continue the task of helping our young people become strong disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ.

UPWARD SOCCER

We are seeking to determine the interest level for our church to sponsor an Upward Soccer League for Woodruff Community children in the Spring of 2024. Please let us know if you would like to help with this effort.

MINISTRY PARTNERS

Children’s Worship: Summer B & Bryson D Nursery: R & L Forrester (am) L Morgan & T Sumner (pm)
Outside Ushers: Scot G, Levi G & Cory F

MY DECISION

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Birthday _____

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

July 23, 2023

Ten O’Clock

Broadcast Live on YouTube and Woodruff Radio 101.7 FM 1510 AM

**How great is the love the Father has lavished on us,
that we should be called His children! 1 John 3:1**

Prelude

Welcome

Lisa Abercrombie

Gathering (Hymn 217)

Oh, How I Love Jesus

With Love and Appreciation for Rebekah Wireman

Responsive Reading

Your love, LORD, reaches to the heavens, Your faithfulness to the skies.

For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.

God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.

He sent His one and only Son into the world that we might live through Him.

And so we know and rely on the love God has for us.

This is love: not that we loved God, but that He loved us.

Since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

If we love one another, God lives in us and His love is made complete in us.

By this everyone will know that you are My disciples, if you love one another.

Psalm 36:5; John 3:13; Romans 5:8; 1 John 4:8-9, 16, 10-12; John 13:35

Video Message

I Have Never Been Unloved

Hymn

God Is For Us

We won't fear the battle, we won't fear the night.

We will walk the valley with You by our side.

You will go before us, You will lead the way.

We have found a refuge, only You can save.

Sing with joy now, our God is for us.

The Father's love is a strong and mighty fortress.

Raise your voice now, no love is greater.

Who can stand against us if our God is for us?

Even when I stumble, even when I fall,

Even when I turn back, still Your love is sure.

You will not abandon, You will not forsake.

You will cheer me onward with never-ending grace.

Neither height nor depth can separate us. Hell and death will not defeat us.

He who gave His son to free us holds me in His love.

Hymn ('08 Baptist Hymnal 482)

Draw Me Close

Draw me close to You! Never let me go!

I lay it all down again to hear You say that I'm Your friend.

You are my desire! No one else will do!

'Cause nothing else can take Your place - To feel the warmth of Your embrace.

Help me find the way. Bring me back to You.

You're all I want! You're all I've ever needed!

You're all I want! Help me know you are near!

Stewardship Prayer

John Carroll

Offertory and the Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Hymn 546 v. 1

Love Lifted Me

Hymn 253

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Children's Moment and Children's Worship

(After we sing the Doxology, children are invited to join our pastor at the front.

And after the Children's Moment, children (age 4 – grade 2) are invited

to go with our children's worship leaders to Children's Worship.)

Children's Moment

Hymn ('08 Baptist Hymnal 101)

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

How deep the Father's love for us, How vast beyond all measure;

That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.

How great the pain of searing loss; The Father turns His face away

As wounds which mar the Chosen One, bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders;

Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice, call out among the scoffers.

It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished.

His dying breath has brought me life; I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything: No gifts, no power, no wisdom;

But I will boast in Jesus Christ; His death and resurrection.

Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer.

But this I know with all my heart; His wounds have paid my ransom.

Scripture Reading and Prayer

Rebekah Wireman

Luke 7:38-50

Worship in Song

Sanctuary Choir

Glorious Day

Message

Andrew Shull

WHY IS IT SO HARD TO LOVE?

“Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven — as her great love has shown. But whoever has been forgiven little loves little.” Luke 7:47

Forgiven Little = _____

Thirsty for Forgiveness = _____

Awareness of Sin = _____

Self-Righteous Pride = _____

Know Great Love = _____

“May your roots go down deep into the soil of God's marvelous love.” Ephesians 3:17 NLT

“We love, because He first loved us.” 1 John 4:19

“Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us.” Ephesians 5:1-2

“Rely on the love God has for us.” 1 John 4:16

Time of Commitment (Hymn 256)

Father, I Adore You

Benediction

Postlude

FORGIVE?

Why Should I? How Can I?

Tonight * 6:00 pm * Fellowship Hall

C. Andrew Shull, Pastor

John C. Carroll, Minister of Music

Susan R. Cooper, Pianist

Lisa C. Abercrombie, Ministry Coordinator

Bobbie Cox, Church Secretary

Rebekah Wireman, Summer Youth Associate

Tommy Jo McAbee, Site Manager