

## THIS SUNDAY

June 7, 2020

### 9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

*Fellowship Hall, Youth Room & College Room*

We are offering a class for adults taught by John Ward in the Fellowship Hall and a class for youth taught by Rodney Weaver in the Youth Room and a class for Young Adults taught by Lisa Abercrombie in the College Room. We will practice social distancing.

### 10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

*Church Sanctuary*

Pastor's Message:

BORN FROM ABOVE John 3:1-21

*Broadcast Live on*

*Woodruff Radio WQUL 101.7 FM 1510 AM  
and on our church YouTube channel.*

An order of service will be posted on our church web site.

### 6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

*Fellowship Hall*

Pastor's Message:

CONSUMING ZEAL John 2:13-25

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Savannah Uldrick, 6-7  
Sam Stribling, 6-8  
Brandon Robinson, 6-8  
Nancy Walker, 6-9  
Bob Howard, 6-11  
Jennifer Yarbray, 6-12  
Lynn Vaughn 6-13

Graham Lawson, 6-7  
Stormy Smith, 6-8  
Amelia Talanges, 6-8  
Glenn Cox, 6-10  
Don Skinner, 6-11  
Loretta Burdette, 6-13

## PRAYER & BIBLE STUDY

*1 Corinthians: Seeing Every Part of Life  
Through the Lens of the Gospel*

**Wednesdays \* 6:00 – 6:45 pm \* Fellowship Hall**

We are spreading out in the Fellowship Hall practicing social distancing. We will not be able to offer a separate nursery or children's program but children supervised by their parents are welcome. We want this to be a safe experience for everyone. We will record the study for our church YouTube channel.

## LADIES FIRST THURSDAY

Our Titus 2 Ladies ministry will meet for prayer and lunch on Thursday, June 4 at 12:00 noon in the Fellowship Hall. Come join us and bring your own picnic lunch. Looking forward to spending this time of encouragement with each other as we lift up our prayer concerns.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

In addition to the "in person" class for adults in the fellowship hall for youth in the youth room and for young adults in the college room, we will be recording a panel discussion of the Sunday School lesson that we will post on our church YouTube channel at the end of this week. This week we begin a new unit from 1 Peter entitled *Living with Hope in a Broken World*. This week's lesson is...

*"The Basis of Our Hope" 1 Peter 1:1-9*

## BLOOD DRIVE

**Wednesday, June 10 \* 4:00 - 7:30 pm**

Due to the need for social distancing *The Blood Connection* strongly encourages donors to sign up for a time in advance. Register online at [https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/146515](https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/146515) or call the church office, 476-8171, and we will add you to their schedule. The Blood Connection is proud to offer COVID-19 Antibody Testing to all donors at no cost as part of the regular donation. See their website for more information.

## YOUTUBE CHANNEL

Each week we are posting worship services, Bible studies, special music and lessons for youth and children on our church YouTube channel. Visit our church website [www.fbcwoodruff.org](http://www.fbcwoodruff.org) 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.

## RADIO BROADCAST

**This Sunday \* 10:00 am**

Join with your First Baptist Family on our Woodruff radio station, **WQUL 101.7 FM 1510 AM**. The broadcast at 10:00 am will be live from the sanctuary.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL BOOKS

Sunday School quarterlies for June, July & August are available. Please come by the office, call us to have them mailed or delivered to your house, or pick them up from a table that has been placed in the back foyer.

## CASUAL SUMMER

Please feel free to dress comfortably as you come for worship.

## LET US KNOW IF YOU NEED HELP!

If you need help picking up groceries or items from the pharmacy, please contact us. We are very happy to help. Contact our pastor, church staff or deacons if you discover ways our church can be a channel of God's love and care.

## ONLINE GIVING

**Secure online giving is available**

**on our church website: [www.fbcwoodruff.org](http://www.fbcwoodruff.org)**

Giving online is easy and convenient but if you need assistance, Carol Morgan, our Church Secretary, is able to help. Feel free to give her a call, 476-8171.

## GIFTS TO THE GLORY OF GOD!

### Work of the Church Fund

*In Honor of Ethel Chumley's 99<sup>th</sup> Birthday*

**Bob & Gail Hix**

*In Memory of Anne Williams*

**Thomas & Janice Carson**

### Theology Class

*In Memory of Gary Chumley*

**Hugh & Margaret Murphy**

**Bob & Gail Hix**

**Gary & Jan Schmatt**

**Curtis & Nancy Walker**

**Bobby & Lisa Abercrombie**

**John & Kim McAbee**

**Jerald & Jean Craig**

**Walter & Linda Garrett**

**Bruce & Jan Hagins**

**Jackie & Bobbie Rogers**

**Frank & Shirley Stone**

**Johnny King**

**Bob & Joyce McCall**

**Margaret Thompson**

*In Honor of Audrey Bettis*

**Walter & Linda Garrett**

*In Honor of Ethel Chumley*

**Walter & Linda Garrett**

*In Honor of Kate Hames*

**Walter & Linda Garrett**

### Over & Above Fund

*In Memory of Gary Chumley*

**Bob & Julia Howard**

**Tommy & Lynne Morgan**

**Randy & Linda Rhodes**

### Music Ministry

*In Memory of Gary Chumley*

**Jim & Kay Young**

*In Honor of Kay Young's 17 Years*

**Bob & Julia Howard**

## FINANCIAL REPORT

<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>May 31</u>	<u>2020</u>
Needs	\$ 8,821.10	\$194,064.20
Offering	\$ 14,909.81	\$200,014.23
Over/(Under)	\$ 6,088.71	\$ 5,950.03
<b>Additional Offerings Given for Special Accounts</b>		
Annie Armstrong Offering		\$ 50.00
Over & Above Offering		\$ 155.00
Theology Class		\$ 587.00
Youth Fund		\$ 540.00
Music Ministry		\$ 650.00
Sr Adult		\$ 115.00

## DEACON NOMINATIONS

Each member can nominate up to five church members to be considered for the Deacon Ministry. Those nominated will then be contacted to see if they are willing to serve if elected. The deadline for nominations is Sunday, **July 12**.

Those who are currently serving and those who are rotating off as deacons are not eligible for election.

ROTATING OFF: CURRENTLY SERVING:

2017-2020 2018-2021 2019-2022

Mike Elliott Patrick Elliott Ted Culbreath

Buddy Few Milton Smith Jason Ketterman

Bob Howard Ken Vaughn Tommy Morgan

John Ward

To be eligible for election to the office of deacon, a person must:

- (1) be a member of this church, and
- (2) have been a member of this church for a minimum of one year prior to election, and
- (3) be twenty one years of age or older, and
- (4) not be a paid staff member, and
- (5) not have served as an active deacon for the past twelve months.

Duties of Deacons: The duties and qualifications of the deacons shall be those prescribed by the New Testament in Acts 6:1-8 and 1 Timothy 3:8-13.

- They shall constitute an advisory council in all matters relating to the business affairs of this church and
- Shall assist the pastor in the discharge of his pastoral duties.
- They shall receive reports from the various officers and departments of the church, carefully considering such reports, making such recommendations and suggestions as they may deem judicious and for the best interest of the church.
- They shall be specifically charged with the administering of the Lord's Supper,
- With keeping the membership enlisted in the full program of the church, and
- With promoting peace, harmony and the spirit of cooperation among the membership.
- They shall furthermore serve as a committee of discipline, exercising a special watch-care over the members of the church, and
- Under the leadership of the pastor, make special effort to maintain spiritual harmony and righteous living among the membership of this church.

## YOUTH BIBLE STUDY

**Sundays \* 9:00- 9:45 am \* Youth Room**

**Wednesdays \* 6:00 – 6:40 pm \* Youth Room**

Our youth room is large enough to meet in and practice social distancing. Join us for prayer and Bible study.

## THE WORK OF FORGIVENESS

Tariff Acts were passed in 1828 & 1832 that adversely affected the economy of the southern states. Under the leadership of John C. Calhoun, South Carolina voted to “nullify” the federal tariffs. President Andrew Jackson threatened to send federal troops to SC to enforce their collection. In Woodruff, loyalties were split between the federal government and the state government.

A. B. Woodruff describes “a terrible convulsion that shook the church to its very center, and came very near breaking it into atoms. The difficulty grew and increased until the church was literally torn into two distinct factions, known at that time as the minority and majority. Hard sayings were indulged, bitter feelings ensued, and the future of the church was exceedingly dark.”

After numerous attempts at resolution, the Bethel Association asked the church to hold a day of fasting and prayer to “lay aside all party spirit and hardness, to forgive one another and unite as a band of Christians in the spirit of meekness.”

The day ended with the members forming a line in front of the church. While hymns were sung, they went up and down the line giving each other expressions of forgiveness, fellowship and love. It became “a time of general joy.”

A. B. Woodruff ends his account by stating, “This was the settlement of this mighty difficulty, but like the ocean after being swept by some grand storm continues to lash and foam and fret long after the storm has died away, so the angry passion that had been raised in this tumultuous strife yielded slowly but steadily to the pressure of brotherly love which was re-occupying the hearts of those Christians. Satan was vanquished, but he retired muttering and sullen from a position he once thought was impregnable.”

It is natural to nurse hurts, flame the fires of bitterness, keep track of any offense or slight, hold grudges, keep wounds open and occasionally throw in some salt. But we do ourselves great harm when we chose to live that way.

There is a better way to live. It involves swallowing our pride - regardless of who is right and who is wrong, humbling ourselves, extending mercy and forgiveness, and receiving the healing that comes through the Lord. As Christians we are commanded to: go the extra mile (Matthew 5:41); settle disagreements and disputes quickly (Matthew 5:23-25); be peacemakers (Matthew 5:9); love and pray for those who mistreat us (Matthew 5:44); and forgive (Matthew 6:14-15.) We are people who know what it is to be forgiven - for we have experienced God’s incredible grace and mercy. And we are people who know how to forgive --- because you can’t really experience God’s forgiveness without it changing your heart. Jesus said, *He who has been forgiven little loves little. Luke 7:47*



### DAY BY DAY

#### WEDNESDAY, June 3 – Jude

6:00 pm Church Family Prayer Time & Bible Study  
6:00 pm Youth Bible Study

#### THURSDAY, June 4 – Revelation 1

12:00 pm Titus 2 Ladies Lunch – Fellowship Hall

#### FRIDAY, June 5 – Revelation 2

#### SUNDAY, June 7 – Revelation 3

9:00 am Sunday School Class for Adults – Fellowship Hall  
Sunday School Class for Young Adults – College  
Sunday School Class for Youth – Youth Room

10:00 am Worship Service - Sanctuary

Live YouTube Stream & Live Radio Broadcast

4:00 pm Deacons’ Meeting

6:00 pm Worship Service – Fellowship Hall

#### MONDAY, June 8 – Revelation 4

#### TUESDAY, June 9 – Revelation 5

#### WEDNESDAY, June 10 – Revelation 6

4:00 pm Blood Drive

6:00 pm Church Family Prayer Time & Bible Study

6:00 pm Youth Bible Study

#### THURSDAY, June 11 – Revelation 7

#### FRIDAY, June 12 – Revelation 8

### FAITHFUL GIVING

Thank you for your faithful giving! Tithes and Offerings can be sent through the mail, through online giving, through the church office, at Wednesday Night Bible Study or at one of our Worship Services.

### OVER AND ABOVE PROJECT

**\$86,554.98** has been contributed!

### ANNIE ARMSTRONG OFFERING FOR NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS

**Church Goal: \$3,500.00 \* Received: \$2,040.00**

### FIND US ON FACEBOOK

Facebook users can use this resource to invite people to our “in person” and online worship services.

### THANK YOU!

Many thanks to Bob & Julia Howard for providing breakfast for the graduates this year. You are truly a blessing to our church. **The 2020 Graduates**

Thank you Andrew, staff and cooks for the hot dogs. They were delicious. Thanks for remembering the senior adults in such a special way. We Love you.

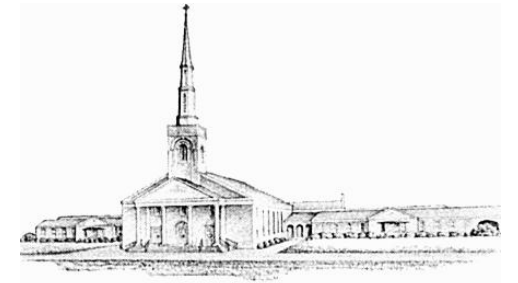
### Johnny & Carolyn Osborne, Katherine Patton.

Many thanks have been expressed to everyone who cooked and helped fix and serve the hot dog lunch for the senior adults.

# 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**

**June 3, 2020**

“No one  
can see the  
**KINGDOM OF GOD**  
without  
**BEING BORN**  
**FROM ABOVE.”**

JOHN 3:3, NRSV

**C. Andrew Shull, Pastor**  
**Bryan C. Thompson, Associate Pastor for Youth**  
**John C. Carroll, Minister of Music**  
**Lisa C. Abercrombie, Ministry Coordinator**  
**Carol R. Morgan, Secretary**  
**Kay M. Young, Pianist**  
**Tommie Jo McAbee, Site Manager**  
**Randy C. Rhodes, Site Manager**

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