

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, MAY 21

9:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Graduate Recognition Service
6:00 pm Bible Study – Fellowship Hall

MONDAY, MAY 22

10:00 am Care Visits

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

5:30 pm Family Fun Pool Party
Three Pines Country Club
6:00 pm Church Bible Study

SATURDAY, MAY 27

10:00 am Woodruff Community Clothes Closet

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. If you are new here, 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 the offering plate or give it to our pastor.

CONGRATULATIONS!

The rosebud on the pulpit is placed in honor of the birth of **Daniel Reid Abercrombie**, son of **Chris and Rachel Abercrombie**. **Daniel** was born on May 14.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2023!

Please know of our love and of our earnest continued prayers for you.

WHAT CAN WE LEARN ABOUT JESUS IN THE BOOK OF REVELATION?

Tonight * 6:00 pm * Fellowship Hall

The final book of the Bible gives us powerful assurances and important warnings in the way that it pictures and reveals our Risen Savior Jesus Christ. Join us!

FAMILY FUN POOL PARTY

This Wednesday, May 24 * 5:30 – 7:30 pm * Meet us @ Three Pines, 255 Plantation Drive, Woodruff
Bring your family and friends as we celebrate the end of our school year with a pool party that includes food, swimming, fellowship and fun! Please sign up TODAY. All swimmers must be supervised by a parent or guardian and turn in a completed pool waiver form.

CHURCH BIBLE STUDY * THIS WEDNESDAY * 6:00 PM

Join with your church family for prayer & Bible study. We are learning from the life of Joseph.

MEMORIAL EVE SERVICE * NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 28 * 6:00 PM

Bethel Cemetery * Corner of Church and Wofford Streets

Join us as we meet under one of the huge shade trees in our church cemetery and honor those who served in the Revolutionary War and the wars that followed. The service will include a time to place American flags on the graves of those who served in our armed forces.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL * JUNE 19 – 23 * 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Join with us for an incredible week as we discover how Jesus can guide us through all of life's twists & turns.

COLLEGE STUDENT NEEDED TO WORK WITH OUR YOUTH THIS SUMMER

Please help us get word out about this employment / ministry opportunity.

MINISTRY PARTNERS

Nursery: B & L Abercrombie (am) B & L Abercrombie (pm) Welcome Center – M & T Smith
Children's Worship – Tammy S & Harrison W Outside Ushers – N Fortner, B Abercrombie

MY DECISION

Name _____

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

May 21, 2023

Ten O'Clock

Broadcast Live on YouTube and Woodruff Radio 101.7 FM 1510 AM

**“As the deer pants for streams of water,
so my soul pants for You, my God.
My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.”**

Psalm 42:1-2

Prelude

Procession of the Graduates

Celebration of Believer's Baptism

Daniel Edward Kline

Gathering

Gather In His Name

**Let His praises fill this temple,
As we come into His presence and gather in His name.**

Let our voices rise in honor!

**We lift up the risen Savior to celebrate and gather in His name.
Shout for joy! Shout for joy! Shout for joy all the earth all the earth!**

Welcome

Lisa Abercrombie

Scripture Reading

Madison Jacobi

Hebrews 12:1-3

Worship in Song

Olivia Thompson, Bryan Thompson

You Are With Me

Morning Prayer

Olivia Thompson

Congregational Singing

Oceans

**You call me out upon the waters -- The great unknown where feet may fail.
And there I find You in the mystery -- In oceans deep -- My faith will stand.**

And I will call upon Your name -- And keep my eyes above the waves.
When oceans rise -- My soul will rest in Your embrace
– For I am Yours and You are mine!
Your grace abounds in deepest waters.
Your sovereign hand will be my guide.
Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me –
You've never failed and You won't start now!

Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders.
Let me walk upon the waters wherever You would call me.
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander --
And my faith will be made stronger in the presence of my Savior!

Hymn 52 *He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought*

Stewardship Prayer John Carroll

Offertory and the Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Hymn 476 v. 1 *Be Strong in the Lord*

Hymn 253 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Children's Moment

Scripture Reading Jonathan Cooper
1 Corinthians 9:24-27

Thanking God for our Graduates

Message Andrew Shull

LIVING ON PURPOSE

“Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.” Philipians 3:12-14

There is much, much _____ to experience with Christ.

Don't miss out on the _____ for which you were created and redeemed.

Don't get _____ from the most important goal.

Let Christ change the _____ of the past. Let Him redeem it.

Pursue Christ with _____ and determination.

Time of Commitment (Hymn 300) *Without Him*

Benediction

Postlude



Our Graduates

James Davis Green is the son of Michael R. Green and Candace M. Green. James will graduate from Woodruff High School with Honors. He is a member of National Beta Club, National Technical Honor Society, Culinary Arts: Baking and Pastry. James plans to attend Spartanburg Methodist College pursuing a bachelor degree in business.

Olivia Maelee Thompson is the daughter of Bryan and Christy Thompson. Olivia will graduate with Highest Honors from Woodruff High School. She is a member of the varsity cross country and soccer teams, student body secretary, Beta Club, and National Honor Society. Olivia plans to attend Charleston Southern University to pursue a major in Christian studies in the fall.



Jonathan Alexander Cooper is the son of Sam and Susan Cooper and the grandson of Sara Cooper and Leola Richardson. Jonathan graduated Magna Cum Laude from Erskine College with a Bachelor of Science in biology with an emphasis in ecology, environmental science, and wild life biology. He earned the William Lee Ellison Biology Award, Beta Beta Beta Biology Award, and departmental honors in biology. Jonathan served two summers as a research fellow for the Erskine Center for Environmental Stewardship. He was active in Reformed University Fellowship, Euphemian Literary Society, and other collegiate organizations. Jonathan is currently working toward certificate in data analytics and environmental management while exploring employment and graduate studies options.

William Sergey Culbreath is the son of Ted and Susan Culbreath and the grandson of Bill and Shelba Scott. Sergey graduated from Spartanburg Methodist College with honors Cum Laude. He was awarded an Associate of Arts Degree. Sergey plans to continue his education in the fall of 2023 attending the College of Charleston.

Madison Faith Jacobi is the daughter of Shane and Tanya Jacobi and the granddaughter of Curtis Walker. Madison graduated from the University of South Carolina Upstate with a degree in elementary education. She participated in intermural sports and coached softball and basketball. Madison's academic excellence allowed her to be recognized on the Dean's list and Chancellor's list. She will begin her teaching career this fall as a 5th grade teacher at Woodruff Elementary School and will also coach varsity softball.

Rhea Aynslee Wilson is the daughter of Rovvie Caldwell and the granddaughter of Lottie Caldwell. Rhea graduated from University of South Carolina Upstate with a Bachelor of Arts in elementary education. Rhea maintained a GPA to be on the Dean's list fall and spring semesters of 2022 and the Chancellor's list fall and spring of 2023. Rhea completed her student teaching at Anderson Mill Elementary School. Rhea will begin her teaching career this fall at Green Charter School in Spartanburg.



C. Andrew Shull, Pastor
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