

**PREPARING FOR WORSHIP**  
**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19**

**9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE**

SING TO THE LORD WITH GRATEFUL PRAISE!

Psalm 147:7; Colossians 3:16

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.

**6:00 PM COMMUNITY WORSHIP SERVICE**

Thanksgiving Service with  
Emma Gray Methodist & First Presbyterian  
at Emma Gray Methodist

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26**

**9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE**

SPEAK THE LANGUAGE OF GRATITUDE

Ephesians 5:4; Matthew 12:34, 37

Join us in person or, by way of live stream or radio broadcast  
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channel. An order of service will be posted on our web site.

**6:00 PM WORSHIP SERVICE**

HANGING OF THE GREENS

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Rex Goodwin, 11-20	Lee Turner, 11-20
Wendie Lawson, 11-21	Katie Lloyd, 11-22
Megan Lineberger, 11-22	Louise Rush, 11-22
Christina Mabery, 11-22	Amanda Fowler, 11-23
Sara Cooper, 11-23	Miriam Patton, 11-24
Jimmy Weaver, 11-24	Ethan Hang, 11-24
Tommy Westmoreland, 11-26	
Mary Dell Scott, 11-27	Donna Lanford, 11-29
Liz Mason, 11-29	Rodney Weaver, 11-29
Jaden Hang, 11-30	Jesse Manuel, 11-30
Ann Henson, 12-01	Dawson Skinner, 12-01

**ONLINE GIVING**

Secure online giving is available  
on our church website: [www.fbcwoodruff.org](http://www.fbcwoodruff.org)

**KEEP OUR NEIGHBORS WARM**

Blankets and Space Heaters are being collected for the  
Woodruff community at Scurry's On Main Barber Shop  
- 117 S. Main Street.

**LIVE RADIO BROADCAST**

Each Sunday \* 10:00 am

Woodruff Radio WQUL 101.7 FM 1510 AM

COMMUNITY  
*Thanksgiving*  
SERVICE



Hosted at Emma Gray United Methodist Church

321 W Georgia Street, Woodruff

**This Sunday, November 19 \* 6:00 pm**

Bring your friends & family as we take part in this  
wonderful time of worship with our brothers and sisters  
from Emma Gray United Methodist Church and First  
Presbyterian Church.

5:00 pm – **Community Choir Rehearsal** -(Come and  
learn the anthem we will sing in the worship  
service, under the direction of John Carroll.)

6:00 pm – **Worship Service**

7:00 pm – **Fellowship** (Feel free to bring a dessert.)

**HANGING OF THE GREENS**

*Preparing our hearts &  
church home for Christmas!*

**Sunday, November 26 \* 6:00 pm**

Join us for this unique, informal, and active worship  
service. Children, youth, and adults will be given  
decorating tasks as we sing the familiar carols of  
Christmas. We would also love to have people lead in  
worship by providing special music. Contact John  
Carroll or our pastor if you or your group would like to  
help us worship through song. Come and share in this  
time with your church family.

**2024 MINISTRY SUPPORT BUDGET**

Our church voted this past Sunday to adopt the 2024  
Ministry Support Budget as recommended by the  
Stewardship Committee. Whether you are a tither,  
working towards the tithes or giving beyond the tithes,  
prayerfully seek God's will with your finances. God's  
blessings are evident when we put our trust in Him.

**PARENTS NIGHT OUT!**

**Friday, November 17 \* 6:00 -8:00 pm**

Parents enjoy a night to yourself while your kids have fun  
here at church. We will enjoy supper, a movie, games,  
and crafts. Please sign up in the office by Wed. Nov. 15  
if your child plans to join us!

**YOUTH MINISTER NEEDED**

If you know of a college student, young adult or seasoned  
adult that is a follower of Christ who loves young people,  
please share this opportunity with them.

**WINTER YOUTH RETREAT**

**December 28-30 \* Pigeon Forge**

Please let us know as soon as possible if you would like  
to be part of the group from our church attending this  
year's *Strength to Stand Conference*.



**FAMILY "M" NIGHT**

**Wednesday, November 29\* 6:00 pm**

Everyone is invited to join us for a fun  
family evening of activities as we  
celebrate the Christmas season. We  
will enjoy soup and sandwiches for  
supper, share what our kids have learned in missions this  
month, have crafts and activities and Santa will be joining  
us for pictures. Please sign up in the office if you plan to  
attend.

**ALASKA MISSIONS  
FUNDRAISER**



Tommie Jo McAbee, Joy Foster,  
and Tracy McAbee will be selling items at FAMILY  
'M' NIGHT to help raise support for their 2024 Alaskan  
Mission Trip with Spartanburg County Baptist Network.



**CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS**

You are invited to help decorate our  
sanctuary during the Christmas Season by  
giving to help purchase poinsettias *In  
Memory of* or *In Honor of* a loved one. Your donation  
(of any amount) will help offset the cost of the 8 - 10"  
poinsettias the church will purchase. Forms are available  
in the church office. The deadline is **Sunday, Nov. 26.**

**SENIOR ADULT**

**CHRISTMAS GATHERING!**

**Tuesday, December 12 \* 11:30 am**

Everyone is invited to join us for lunch (Ham, green  
beans, mac & cheese, sweet potato casserole, rolls &  
desserts) catered by Midway, a time of fellowship &  
Christmas games. You must sign up in the office by  
Friday, Dec. 1 to attend. (Donations accepted)

**HELP US DECORATE!**

CELEBRATE THANKSGIVING!

Prior to the Morning Worship Service on Nov 19 & 26  
we will put together a Thanksgiving Cornucopia for the  
Lord's Table as we give thanks for God's abundant  
blessings. Let us know if you would like to help or if you  
would like to donate an item for the display.

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS!

We will put the finishing touches on  
the sanctuary for the Advent season during our *Hanging  
of the Greens* service Sunday, November 26 but will need  
to do a good bit of work in preparation for that night.  
Contact us if you would like to help.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL BOOKS**

The Sunday School quarterlies for December, January  
and February have arrived. Pick them up in Sunday  
School, or come by the office or call us to have them  
delivered to your house.

**LADIES NIGHT OUT**

*A Candlelight Christmas*

**Saturday, December 2 \* 5:00 pm**

Ladies make plans to join us for an elegant  
evening. We will have a wonderful meal, entertainment  
from the Rock of Ages Family Music – the Rankin  
Family & we will be waited on by our handsome  
men. Tickets are \$10 per person. We are confirming  
hosts now. If you would like to decorate and host a table  
please see Lisa asap. It will be wonderful way to kick  
off your holiday season.



**MORE COACHES  
NEEDED!!**

Applications for coaches are available on our church  
website. Experience is not required. Playbooks are  
provided with step by step instructions as well as helpful  
videos.

**CHRISTMAS PICTURES**

Our Sanctuary Choir will be presenting *The Heart of  
Christmas* during our morning worship service on Dec.  
17. They would love to feature pictures of your family  
celebrating Christmas (distant or recent past) during part  
of the service. Please email them to the church office  
([office@fbcwsc.org](mailto:office@fbcwsc.org)) or bring them by and we can scan  
them and give them back to you.

**CHRISTMAS CARD POST OFFICE**

Bring your Christmas Cards during December for people  
in our fellowship to the Post Boxes. Money saved on  
postage (donations) will go toward our youth ministry.

**BACKPACK MISSION TRIP**

Our network is planning a trip to Jenkins, Kentucky Dec.  
10-13 to distribute backpacks (our church & other  
churches put together) to children in this flood damaged  
region. Contact Tracy McAbee at the Network office  
582-8330 if you would like to be part of the mission team.  
Pray for the team's safety as they share the backpacks and  
Christmas blessings to those in need.

**2024 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 each gift for His service.  
**Please contact us if you haven't been receiving  
envelope packets but would like to start.**

**REMIND**

Sign up for *Remind* to receive time sensitive (deaths,  
schedule changes, etc.) texts or emails. Text the message  
"@wfb1787" to **81010** or email us to sign up.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

	<u>Nov. 5</u>	<u>Nov. 12</u>	<u>2023</u>
Budget Needs	\$ 8,754.71	\$ 8,754.71	\$ 402,716.66
Budget Offering	\$ 10,783.92	\$ 7,012.39	\$ 404,771.64
Over/(Under)	\$ 2,029.21	\$ (1,742.32)	\$ 2,054.98

### Additional Offerings Given for Special Accounts

Stewardship Supplies	\$ 13.18
Senior Adult Retreat	\$ 120.00
Janie Chapman Offering	\$ 400.00
OVER and ABOVE	\$ 335.00
Theology Course	\$ 200.00
Christmas Poinsettias	\$ 170.00
Ladies Night Out	\$ 270.00
Upward Soccer Registration	\$ 140.00



## DAY BY DAY

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

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

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

9:00 am Sunday School  
10:00 am Worship Service - Live on Radio & YouTube  
5:00 pm Community Choir Rehearsal – Emma Gray  
6:00 pm Community Thanksgiving Service – Emma Gray

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

11:00 am Ladies' Bible Study – Builders' Room

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

No Wednesday Night Service or Activities

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23

*THANKSGIVING!* (Church Office Closed)

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24

(Church Office Closed)

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

9:00 am Sunday School  
10:00 am Worship Service – Live on Radio & YouTube  
6:00 pm Worship Service – Hanging of the Greens

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27

11:00 am Ladies' Bible Study – Builders' Room

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

6:00 pm Family "M" Night  
7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

## THANKSGIVING SCHEDULE

The church office will be closed Nov. 23-24.

## OPERATION: CHRISTMAS CHILD

The filled shoeboxes need to be brought to the church by **Wednesday, November 15**. You can also build a box "online" for \$25.00 on the Samaritan's Purse website.

## MINISTRY PARTNERS

**NOVEMBER 19:** Greeters: M & T Smith  
Outside Ushers: Nick F & Bobby A Nursery: R & L Forrester  
C Worship: T Smith, H Ward

**NOVEMBER 26:** Greeter: S Smith, S Vincent  
Outside Ushers: Scott G Levi G Cory F  
Nursery: B & C Fortner C Worship: C A Talanges, B Orias

## THANK YOU!

Dear Church Family, Thank you for the beautiful plaque, plant, cards and gifts and gift of money for my 10 years of Ministry here at First Baptist Church. It has been an honor to serve the Lord alongside each of you. May the Lord bless us as we continue to serve him and be the church He wants us to be.

With Love, **Lisa Abercrombie**

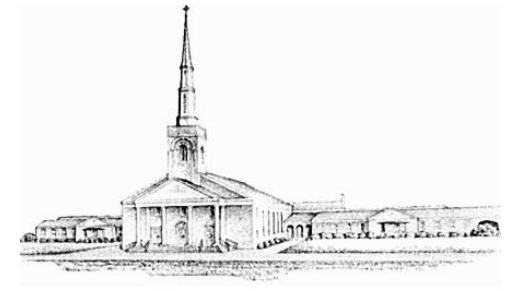
We extend our heartfelt love and appreciation to the First Baptist Church family for all the kindness given to us after our loss of Steve. A special thank you to Andrew for the beautiful service and the comforting words he gave to us at this very difficult time.

**Janis Patton and family**

# THE ENCOURAGER

"...to prepare all God's people for the work of Christian Service to build up the body of Christ."

[www.fbcwoodruff.org](http://www.fbcwoodruff.org)



**First Baptist Church \* Woodruff, South Carolina**  
**November 15 - 28, 2023**



### Regular Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm  
Friday 8:00 am – 12:30 pm

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**C. Andrew Shull, Pastor**  
**John C. Carroll, Minister of Music**  
**Lisa C. Abercrombie, Ministry Coordinator**  
**Susan R. Cooper, Pianist**  
**Bobbie Cox, Church Secretary**  
**Tommie Jo McAbee, Site Manager**

## GIFTS TO THE GLORY OF GOD!

### WORK OF THE CHURCH

In Memory of Kay Shaver, Charles Brown,  
Steve Roberts, Steve Patton  
**Nancy & Curtis Walker**

In Memory of Joyce Bates  
**Rex & Jan Skinner**

In Memory of Charles Brown  
**Bob and Julia Howard**  
**Evans and Joann Wilkie**  
**Mary and Shell Dula**

In Honor of Andrew Shull  
**Becky Godfrey**

In Memory of Steve Patton  
**Katherine Patton**

In Memory of Steve Patton and Steve Roberts  
**Joann Laster**

### OVER and ABOVE

In Memory of Charles Brown  
**Tommy & Lynn Morgan**

In Memory of Joyce Bates, Charles Brown,  
Steve Roberts, & Steve Patton  
**Tom and Jane Foster**

In Memory of Steve Roberts and Steve Patton  
**Jane Turner**

In Memory of Joyce Bates  
**Liz Mason**

In Honor of Betty Rhodes  
**Tommy & Lynn Morgan**

In Memory of Carrie Ketterman  
**Marlene Davis**

### THEOLOGY CLASS

In Honor of Andrew Shull and In Memory of  
Kay Shaver, Charles Brown and Steve Patton  
**Dayna Chumley**

In Memory of Charles Brown and Steve Patton  
**Becky Godfrey**

### CAPITAL NEEDS

In Memory of Steve Patton  
**Panagakos Paving**

## JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

Each Sunday \* 9:00 am