

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21**

**9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**10:00 AM WORSHIP**

*Thanksgiving Service*

**GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD  
FOR HE IS GOOD!**

Psalm 100:5

*Join us in person or through the live broadcast on  
WQUL 101.7 FM 1510 AM or through the live stream  
on our church YouTube channel.*

**6:00 PM WORSHIP**

*Thanksgiving Service with Emma Gray  
& First Presbyterian at First Baptist*

**SONGS IN THE NIGHT**

Acts 16:25

### CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Our church family grieves the death of **Jimmy Godfrey**. We extend our love and prayerful support to his daughter, **Lindsey Godfrey**, his sister, **Kathy Thompson**, his brother in law **Tommy Westmoreland** and to his family and friends.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

**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

### JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL!

*A Place to Grow and Belong!*

**Each Sunday \* 9:00 am**

You are invited to join us for Bible study! A nursery is provided. Contact us if you would like more information about which class to attend.

### HELP US DECORATE!

**This Sunday, November 21**

#### CELEBRATE THANKSGIVING!

Prior to the Morning Worship Service next Sunday, we will put together a Thanksgiving Cornucopia for the Lord's Table as we give thanks for God's abundant blessings. Contact the church office if you would like to help or if you would like to donate an item for the display.

#### CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS!

After the Community Thanksgiving Service next Sunday evening we will begin the process of decorating the sanctuary for the Advent season and would love to have your help. Contact the church office if you would like to be part of this team.

C O M M U N I T Y

## Thanksgiving SERVICE



**Hosted at First Baptist Church**

**This Sunday, November 21 \* 6:00 pm**

Bring your friends & family as we host this wonderful time of worship with our brothers and sisters from Emma Gray Memorial United Methodist Church and First Presbyterian Church. The service will highlight songs and expressions of thanksgiving that been written during difficult circumstances.

### SANTA, THE STAR AND SWEETS NIGHT!

**Next Sunday, November, 28 \*5:00pm**

Everyone is invited to join us for a fun evening of activities as we kick off the Christmas season. Bring your favorite Christmas desserts or goodies to share with everyone. We will have a hot chocolate bar and drinks. Santa will be joining us for pictures. We will watch The Star movie and have craft activities for the kids. It will be a fun day you will not want to miss! Hope you will join us!

### BACKPACK DISTRIBUTION MISSION TRIP

A mission team from the Spartanburg County Baptist Network is planning a trip to Jenkins, Kentucky Dec. 12-14 to distribute the backpacks that were collected for the Appalachian Backpack program. They will be passing out the backpacks at 4 different schools in Kentucky and at another location. The schools are open and the team is looking forward to ministering to the kids as they distribute the backpacks to the children. We have people from our church that are planning to go. 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.

### MICHIKO PHILLIP'S ESTATE

Michiko Phillip's left her house and the majority of her estate to the church. We are grateful for her generosity and for the way that she continues to be a blessing to the life and ministry of our church. Probate for the estate closed last week. As a church we also express appreciation to Milton Smith, Ken Vaughn and Ted Culbreath who as our 20-21 Trustees served as personal representatives for the estate.

### GOOD NEWS CLUB

**Woodruff Elementary \* Thursdays \* 2:30 – 4:00 pm**  
Help needed! See Lisa Abercrombie to volunteer.



### OPERATION: CHRISTMAS CHILD

The filled shoe boxes need to be brought to the church on or before **this Sunday, November 21**. Flyers & boxes are available. A \$9.00 donation is requested with each box. You can also build a box "online" for \$25.00 on the Samaritan's Purse website. Our church is serving as a collection site for the Woodruff Community – November 15-20. We welcome help in packing the individual boxes into the shipping boxes. **(Even helping for a few minutes is appreciated.)** Stop by anytime during collection hours or office hours.

9:00 am – 3:00 pm Wednesday – Thursday (17<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup>)

9:00 am – 11:00 pm Friday (19<sup>th</sup>)

10:00 am – 12:00 pm Saturday (20<sup>th</sup>)

8:00 am – 10:00 pm Monday (23<sup>rd</sup>)

We will also be **loading shipping boxes into the box truck** on Monday morning, November 22 at 9:00 am and would love to have help from anyone who is able.

### SENIOR ADULT CHRISTMAS GATHERING!

**Tuesday, December 7 \* 11:30 am**

Everyone is invited to join us for lunch, catered by Vicky Clark. We will enjoy a time of fellowship and Christmas games. The menu will be: Turkey & Dressing, Gray, Cranberry Sauce, Green Beans, Mac & Cheese, Rolls and Desserts. So that we will know how many to prepare for, tickets (\$5 per person) will be required and must be purchased by Friday, December 3. Please share and invite anyone that may be interested in joining us.

### GIFTS TO THE GLORY OF GOD

*Over & Above Fund*

*In Memory of Jolene Brown*

**Gail Hix**

**Ronnie & Ann Henson**

### FINANCIAL REPORT

<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>Nov 14</b>	<b>2021</b>
Needs	\$ 8,905.02	\$409,630.92
Offering	\$ 20,680.49	\$405,196.18
Over/(Under)	\$ 11,775.47	(\$ 4,434.74)
<b>Additional Offerings Given for Special Accounts</b>		
Over & Above	\$	50.00
Youth Fund	\$	30.00
Southern Living Christmas Show	\$	48.00
Stewardship	\$	2.50
Capital Needs	\$	42,276.38
Estate Gift	\$	35,311.94
Reimbursements	\$	210.00
Theology Class	\$	500.00
Lottie Moon	\$	500.00

### 2022 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

We are grateful for your gifts to the Lord's church. We pray that the Lord will continue to bless and multiply them as we seek to be faithful to the mission He has entrusted to us here in Woodruff and beyond. We believe strongly that God still has a plan and a purpose for this church even in the difficult times in which we live.

Packets of contributions envelopes have been prepared for those who requested them last year and are available in your Sunday School class or if you wanted them mailed you should receive them soon. **Please contact us if you haven't been receiving envelope packets but would like to start.**

Here are some of the ways that people give their tithes and offerings to our church.

**Bank draft** – You can set up a draft from your bank that is sent to the church. This can be done for each gift or you can set up an automatic draft each month. Most banks offer this as a free service to their customers, which means there is no cost to you or to the church.

**Offering boxes / Mailed in Offering** – During the pandemic we stopped passing the offering plates in the worship service, but offering boxes have been installed at each door of the sanctuary (and in the hallway outside the kitchen.) Envelopes are available in the entryways & pews for you to use while you are here & are also available for you to take home with you for future gifts. We also receive tithes & offerings through the mail.

**Online giving** – Our church website has a tab for online giving ([www.fbcwoodruff.org](http://www.fbcwoodruff.org)). You can set up an individual gift or recurring gifts. Companies that provide this kind of service pass along a transaction fee to the church that is a percentage of your gift. The percentage varies depending on what type of bank card is used. The lowest percentage is used when you enter your banking information (routing and account number) rather than using a credit or debit card. There is an option for you to include this transaction fee in your gift.

### LOTTIE MOON

You are invited to donate to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering during the Christmas Season by giving **In Memory of** or **In Honor of** a loved one. We will publish names in the bulletin on Sunday, December 12. The deadline to fill out a form is **Sunday, December 5**. Forms are available in the church office.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL BOOKS

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



## WALKING THROUGH THE BIBLE

Wednesdays \* 6:00 pm \* Fellowship Hall

The study is livestreamed on our YouTube channel & can be viewed live a little after 6:00 pm or afterward at a time of your convenience.

November 17 - 1 Timothy

November 24 – We will not meet (Thanksgiving Eve)

December 1 – 2 Timothy

## INTERNATIONAL MISSION STUDY

Wednesday, Dec. 1, 2021 \* 11:30 am – 1:30 pm

Sherrri Norris will lead the study about Prague. The catered lunch is free at the Carolina Country Club but you must register by Nov. 28 by calling Tracy @ 582-8330.

## KEEP OUR NEIGHBORS WARM

Space heaters and blankets are being collected to help keep our neighbors warm this winter. Drop off your donations at the church or at Scurry on Main Barbershop or the Woodruff Community Center between now and November 20.

## DECEMBER SILENT AUCTION

We will be hosting a silent auction for items that have been donated to the church (including furniture, dishes, roll away beds.) Contact the church office during December to view and bid on the items.

## 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

## YOUTUBE CHANNEL

Each week we add worship services, sermons, Bible studies, music and podcasts to our YouTube channel that can be viewed on phones, computers and televisions across our community and across the world.

## WITH APPRECIATION!

We truly appreciate Lisa planning our special trips this Fall and especially getting us home safely when the van broke down in the middle of traffic going to the Charlotte Christmas show. Lisa handled the dilemma like a champ, and Bobby was great to get off work so he could come in the church bus to bring our group home. God watched over us and Lisa and Bobby were his angels.

– Julia Howard



## DAY BY DAY

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17

9:00 am – 3:00 pm Woodruff Community Shoe Box Drop Off  
5:45 pm Missions & Music (4 years to grade 5)  
Youth Lighthouse (grades 6-12)

6:00 pm Bible Study - Live on YouTube;  
6:45 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18

9:00 am – 3:00 pm Woodruff Community Shoe Box Drop Off

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19

9:00 – 11:00 am Woodruff Community Shoe Box Drop Off

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20

10:00 am – 12:00 pm Woodruff Community Shoe Box Drop Off

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21

9:00 am Sunday School  
10:00 am Worship Service - Live on Radio & YouTube  
6:00 pm Community Thanksgiving Service – First Baptist

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

No Wednesday Night Service or Activities

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25

THANKSGIVING! (Church Office Closed)

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26

(Church Office Closed)



## THANKSGIVING SCHEDULE

The church office will be closed Nov. 25-26. No services or activities will be held at the church on Wednesday night, Nov. 24.

## JOIN THE ADULT CHOIR!

Use your gifts to bring glory to God! We rehearse on **Sundays @ 10:45 am & Wednesdays @ 6:45 pm**. We are preparing a Christmas Musical – *Run To the Hope* and look forward to the way God will be at work as He blesses and strengthens us.

## WORSHIP IN SONG AT CHRISTMAS

Sunday, December 5 \* 6:00 pm

We will enjoy special Christmas music by candlelight provided by various members of our church family. Contact John Carroll or our pastor if you or your group would like to help us worship through song.

## LIVE RADIO BROADCAST

Each Sunday \* 10:00 am

Woodruff Radio WQUL 101.7 FM 1510 AM

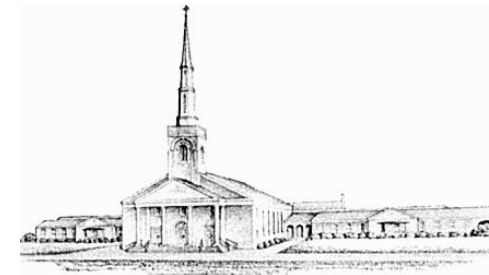
## MINISTRY PARTNERS

November 21: Nursery – R & L Forrester (am)  
B & L Abercrombie (pm)  
Children's Worship – T Smith, J Jeter

# 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 17, 2021

*“Give thanks to the LORD,  
for He is good; His love endures forever.”*

*1 Chronicles 16:34*



### Regular Office Hours:

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

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