

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27 9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE THE SONG OF ZECHARIAH Luke 1:1-25; 57-80

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 SERVICE HANGING OF THE GREENS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Mary Dell Scott, 11-27 Liz Mason, 11-29 Jaden Hang, 11-30 Ann Henson, 12-01 Gary Schmatt, 12-03 Donna Lanford, 11-29 Rodney Weaver, 11-29 Jesse Manuel, 11-30 Dawson Skinner, 12-01

CHURCH SECRETARY POSITION

The Personnel Committee is searching for someone to fill our full time Church Secretary position. Carol Morgan plans to retire at the end of the year. Applications and a general job description are available in the church office. Applicants are asked to submit an application, cover letter and resume. Please help us get word out about this employment/ministry opportunity.

CHURCH BIBLE STUDY Next Wednesday, November 30 * 6:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Join with us as our church gathers for prayer and for Bible study! Decaf coffee, tea, hot chocolate, and cider are provided. (We will not meet for Bible study this Wednesday, Nov. 23.)

OPERATION: CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX REPORT

Thanks to everyone who was involved in providing Christmas gifts for needy children. We served as a relay station for the Woodruff Community and collected 631 shoeboxes. Pray that God will use all of these efforts in a mighty way.



HANGING OF THE GREENS Preparing our hearts & church home for Christmas! This Sunday, November 27 * 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 love to have people lead in worship by providing special music. We need families/children to help in the "Hanging of the Greens Service". Contact John Carroll or our pastor if you or your group would like to help us worship through song or if your family is planning to be with us and can participate in the decorating activities. They will be directed on when and how to hang different decorations during the service. Come and share in this time with your church family.

THE CHOSEN – CHRISTMAS SPECIAL Sunday, December 4 * 6:00 pm * Fellowship Hall

The Chosen tells the story of the first Christmas through the eyes of a shepherd whose life of suffering and rejection changes when he and his fellow shepherds receive a miraculous revelation. Join with us as we share this experience together as a family of faith.

CHRISTMAS MEMORIES

(A multi-generation conversation) Sunday, December 11 * 6:00 pm

Join us as we share meaningful personal memories of Christmas' past. In addition to a time to share memories, the service will feature a multi-generation panel discussion about Christmas. Contact our pastor if you would like to help represent your generation on the panel.

SENIOR ADULT CHRISTMAS GATHERING! Tuesday, December 13 * 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, Gravy, Cranberry Sauce, Green Beans, Mac & Cheese, Rolls and Desserts. So that we will know how many to prepare for, tickets (\$7 per person) will be required and must be purchased by Friday, December 9. Please share and invite anyone that may be interested in joining us.

CHRISTMAS CARD POST OFFICE

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL * 9:00 AM A Place to Grow and Belong

MATCHING GIFT CELEBRATION! With the hope of "**spurring one another on toward love and good deeds"** (Hebrews 10:24) our church received a generous donation that would match gifts to the church that were labeled "**catch up.**" In total (gifts plus matching gift) **\$36,212.69 was received.** We give thanks for each gift and for each person who gave. We are grateful for our church and look forward to the way that God will continue to bless and multiply our resources as we seek to be faithful to Him and to the mission, He has entrusted to us here in Woodruff and beyond.

FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY w/ SANTA! Wednesday, December 14 *5:30pm

Everyone is invited to join us for a fun family evening of activities as we celebrate the Christmas season. We will have supper, share how God Keeps His Promises, have crafts and activities and Santa will be joining us for pictures. It will be a fun evening you will not want to miss! Please sign up in the office if you plan to join us.

BRAND NEW HALLELUJAH!

A Christmas Worship Experience Presented by the Sanctuary Choir Sunday, December 18 * 10:00 am

Join us and invite your family and friends as we take part in this wonderful Christmas celebration. Although more than two thousand years have passed since the anthem of praise first resounded over the Judean hillside, the song has only begun. For every seeker who comes to know the Savior, a new voice is added... A new chorus is lifted. It's the song of a soul set free that cannot and will not be silenced. It's a brand-new Hallelujah!

MORAVIAN LOVE FEAST Sunday, December 18 * 6:00 pm * Fellowship Hall

Join us for Moravian Love Feast Buns (shipped from Winston Salem the buns have the subtle flavors of nutmeg, and fresh orange and lemon rind) a wide variety of Moravian cookies, Moravian coffee and other hot beverages and a time of devotion as we celebrate the love God has for us and the love, we have for each other.

CHURCH-WIDE CAROLING Wednesday, December 21 * 5:30 pm

Plan to go with us as we share the joy of Christmas through the beautiful carols of Christmas. **Please contact the church office if you would like to have a group carol outside your house.**



Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service Saturday, Dec. 24 * 5:00 pm

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Lottie Moon was sent as a Southern Baptist missionary to China from 1873 to 1912. She saw firsthand the world's greatest problem - LOSTNESS. Meeting so many people who had never heard the gospel compelled her to write letters to American churches describing the need for a greater missionary presence. She pleaded for increased prayer and financial support to send and sustain more missionaries. This challenge became known as the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Every year, Southern Baptist churches collect an offering to send and support missionaries to be steadfastly present among those who have never heard the gospel. 100% of your gifts to the Lottie Moon Christmas offering enable gospel transformation among unreached people. Prayerfully consider your gift. Prayer guides will be included in this Sunday's bulletin to use in your daily quiet time.

ADVENT WREATH

This year we are inviting families that have 3 or 4 generations in the church to come and help us light the Advent candles. If your family would like to participate, please see our pastor.

THE SONGS OF CHRISTMAS

Music has been a big part of Christmas celebrations from the very beginning. Join us on Sunday mornings of the Advent season as we join in the Songs of Christmas.

November 27 – The Song of Zachariah December 4 – The Song of Mary December 11 – The Song of the Angels December 25 – The Song of Simeon

BACKPACK MISSION TRIP

Our network is planning a trip to Jenkins, Kentucky Dec. 11-13 to distribute backpacks to children in this flood damaged region. Contact Tracy McAbee 582-8330 if you would like to be part of the mission team. Pray for the team's safety as they share Christmas blessings.

USHERS

Please contact us if you would be willing to be part of the ushers' ministry on a rotating basis one service a month.

TIMELY ALERTS

We are using *Remind* to send out "timely alerts" (schedule changes, death announcements, etc.) Text the message "@wfbc1787" to 81010 or email us to sign up.

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.

FINANCIAL REPORT			
<u>Nov 20</u>		<u>2022</u>	
\$ 8,962.37	\$4	21,231.39	
\$41,861.17	<u>\$4</u>	<u>\$413,384.73</u>	
\$ 32,898.80	(\$	7,846.66)	
Additional Offerings Given for Special Accounts			
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	\$	35.00	
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GIFTS TO THE GLORY OF GOD!

<u>Over & Above Fund</u> In Memory of Carrie Ketterman Marlene Ketterman Davis

Work of the Church Fund

In Memory of Bill Westmoreland In Memory of Jimmy Fortner In Memory of Evelyn Bryson In Memory of Ron Majeska In Memory of Carrie Ketterman Tommy Westmoreland In Memory of Martha Jean Lanford Tommy Westmoreland Gary and Cynthia McAlister

2023 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.**

CHRISTMAS VISITS

Our Morning Ladies Bible Study group will be visiting the care facilities in Woodruff this Monday, Nov. 28. If you would like to go with them, meet them at the church at 10:00 am.

DON'T LET GO BEFORE DAWN Finding the Blessing in Your Struggle

Dr. Ronald "Dee" Vaughan, who served as our pastor from 1988-1994, has presented his latest book to our church library. "Jacob fought through a long dark night. He did more than survive that struggle. He refused to let go of it until he received a blessing from it. Many people are fighting the foe of depression. Surviving is a great achievement, but we dare not let go of our hardship too soon. 'Hold on' to the struggle long enough to allow God to bless you through it." This book, as well as Dr. Vaughan's other books, is also available for purchase at amazon.com.



DAY BY DAY WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

No Wednesday Night Service or Activities **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24** *THANKSGIVING!* (Church Office Closed)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25 (Church Office Closed) SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship Service – Live on Radio & YouTube 4:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm Worship Service – Hanging of the Greens MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28 10:00 am Ladies Bible Study Visitation WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30 5:45 pm Missions & Music; Youth Lighthouse

6:00 pm Church Bible Study – Live on YouTube 7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1** 7:00 pm Ladies Bible Study – *Breathe*

MINISTRY PARTNERS

Nov 27 - Welcome Center: K & X Dotson Nursery: C Thompson, A Junge (am) Children's Worship: C A Talanges, H Ward Outside Ushers: S Gillespie, L Gillespie, C Fain

LIVE RADIO BROADCAST Each Sunday * 10:00 am

Woodruff Radio WQUL 101.7 FM 1510 AM

YOUTUBE CHANNEL

Visit our website <u>www.fbcwoodruff.org</u> for a link to this channel or search "First Baptist Woodruff" on YouTube.

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.

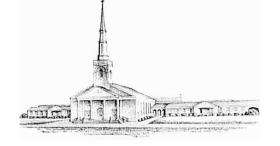
- A–Co Nick Fortner and Mark Smith
- Cp-Ham Terry Sumner and Perry McAbee
- Han-Lc Milton Smith and Matt Lineberger
- Li-Or James Talanges and Ken Vaughn
- **Os–Ta Terry Hauser** and **Jerald Craig**
- Tb-Z Chris Abercrombie and Patrick Elliott

THANK YOU!

Dear Pastor Andrew & Church Family, Thank you for your prayers, visits, phone calls and other acts of kindness expressed to me during my recent hospitalization. I am improving daily and trusting in God during my recover. Please continue to keep me in your prayers. With gratitude, **Betty W. Rhodes**

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

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