



THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE
BEYOND CHEER

Luke 2:10; Matthew 9:2; 14:27; John 16:33

There is no question that we need some cheering up. It has been a tough year. This year, some people put their tree up in September, because they felt they needed a little early “Christmas Cheer.” We find the sights and sounds of Christmas comforting. Those sights and sounds point us to a much deeper reality and an even greater comfort that comes from Jesus Himself. His birth truly is **“Good news of great joy for all people.”** Jesus tells us...

- Be of good cheer, your sins can be forgiven! Matthew 9:2
- Be of good cheer, I am with you, do not be afraid! Matthew 14:27
- Be of good cheer, I have overcome the trouble of this world! John 16:33

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 WORSHIP SERVICE
INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS EMPHASIS
A Great Multitude + You

The service will include brief missions reflections and video reports from the International Mission Board.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Donna Lanford, 11-29 Liz Mason, 11-29
 Rodney Weaver, 11-29 Jaden Hang, 11-30
 Ann Henson, 12-01 Dawson Skinner, 12-01
 Gary Schmitt, 12-03 Tanya Jacobi, 12-05

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Our church family is grieved by the death of
Michiko Phillips.

We extend our love and prayerful support to her brother,
Masatosi Sakuragi and to her family and friends.

“GATHER THE FAMILY” SERVICE

Next Sunday, Dec. 6 * 6:00 pm * Fellowship Hall

This service will be designed especially for children (of all ages). We will gather on quilts (and chairs) in the fellowship hall. The service will include brief video clips from some classic Christmas cartoons (Charlie Brown, Grinch, Rudolf, Veggie Tales) with brief reflections directed toward our children.

LESSONS AND CAROLS

Sunday, December 13 * 10:00 am

Plan to join with us as our Adult Choir leads us in a wonderful Christmas worship experience.

YOUTH LED CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Sunday, December 13 * 6:00 pm

We are grateful for our youth and look forward to hearing from them as they lead in worship.

WORSHIP IN SONG AT CHRISTMAS

Sunday, December 20 * 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 lead in worship by singing.



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

STUDENT DAY AT CHRISTMAS

Sunday Morning, December 27 * 10:00 am

Our college and graduate students are invited to help lead our worship service. Please call the church office if you would like to participate.

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 958 boxes. Pray that God will use all of these efforts in a mighty way.

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 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.

LOTTIE MOON

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

John saw a powerful vision of Heaven... **“I saw a great multitude from every nation and all tribes and peoples and languages standing before the throne.” Revelation 7:9** We have the incredible opportunity through our prayers, gifts, and lives to be part of what God is doing as He draws people from every nation to Himself. Next week our church will join thousands of churches to pray for missionaries working to make disciples. **Prayer guides** will be included with this Sunday’s bulletin that feature testimonies and prayer requests. Please use them during your **daily quiet time** and prayerfully consider your gift to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

CHRISTMAS STROLL

Friday, December 4 * 5:00 – 7:00 pm

Spread Christmas Cheer! Our outreach team would like to invite you to help pass out hot chocolate & candy canes with poems and invitations to upcoming church events to people at the Christmas Stroll on Main Street here in Woodruff. Please let Lisa Abercrombie know if you would like to help! You can sign up for a designated time period. Everyone is welcome to come!

NORTH POLE BRUNCH

Saturday, December 12 * 10:00 am

Everyone is invited to join us for a North Pole Brunch on Saturday, Dec. 12. In order to make our brunch safe for everyone we are requiring reservations for this event. We plan to only have 15 tables that will be available on a first come first serve basis. Please go to www.fbcwoodruff.org to make your reservation or call the church office. The deadline for reservations will be Dec. 6. We will have a special brunch menu, hot chocolate bar, crafts for the kids, a family photo area and hopefully a special guest visitor. It will be a fun day you will not want to miss! Hope you will join us!

MASKS ENCOURAGED

Please consider wearing a mask in the common areas of the church until you can observe social distancing once you are seated. There is a basket of individually packaged masks by the entrance of each sanctuary door.

ONLINE GIVING

Secure online giving is easy and convenient through our church web site www.fbcwoodruff.org but if you need assistance, Carol Morgan, our Church Secretary, is able to help. Feel free to give her a call, 476-8171.

LIVE RADIO BROADCAST

Each Sunday * 10:00 am

Woodruff Radio WQUL 101.7 FM 1510 AM

GIVING IN THE PANDEMIC

In the early months of the pandemic giving to the ministries of our church continued to be very strong, but as the summer months set in, giving decreased. September and October were the lowest months for offerings in the past five years. In spite of this, we believe strongly that God still has a plan and a purpose for this church even in the difficult times in which we live. Please pray that through His people, the Lord will continue to provide all that is needed for His church to accomplish the mission He has entrusted to us.

OVER AND ABOVE PROJECT

\$94,988.68 has been contributed!

GIFTS TO THE GLORY OF GOD!

Over & Above Fund

In Memory of Barbara Casey

Bob & Julia Howard

Tom & Jane Foster

Buddy & Loretta Burdette

Joann Laster

James & Evelyn Trammel

Winsome Sunday School Class

Harold & Bobbie Jean Lawson

Michiko Phillips

Ashley Swift

Otto Guenther

In Memory of Rev. Bob Deaton

Tom & Jane Foster

Jane Turner

In Memory of Mike Brock

In Honor of Kay Young

Tom & Jane Foster

In Memory of Michiko Phillips

Jane Turner

Buddy & Loretta Burdette

Winsome Sunday School Class

Work of The Church Fund

In Memory of Rev. Bob Deaton

Bob & Julia Howard

Curtis & Nancy Walker

In Memory of Mike Brock

Curtis & Nancy Walker

Joann Laster

In Memory of Barbara Casey

Curtis & Nancy Walker

FINANCIAL REPORT

<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>Nov 22</u>	<u>2020</u>
Needs	\$ 8,821.10	\$414,591.70
Offering	\$ 7,202.46	\$393,463.25
Over/(Under)	(\$ 1,618.64)	(\$ 21,128.45)
Additional Offerings Given for Special Accounts		
Stewardship Fund	\$	6.83
Over & Above	\$	628.00
Youth Winter Retreat	\$	80.00
Poinsettias	\$	363.50
Sr Adult Drive Thru	\$	105.00

DAY BY DAY

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25

No Wednesday Night Service or Activities

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26

THANKSGIVING! (Church Office Closed)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27

(Church Office Closed)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Worship Service – Live on Radio and YouTube

6:00 pm Evening Worship

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2

11:30 am International Mission Study – Network Office

6:00 pm Walking Through The Bible; Mission Friends;
Children's Choir Rehearsal; Youth Lighthouse

6:45 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4

5:00 pm Christmas Stroll – Main Street Woodruff

THANKSGIVING SCHEDULE

The church office will be closed Nov. 26-27. No services or activities will be held at the church on Wednesday night, November 25.

HELP WITH ADOPTION EXPENSES

We celebrate with Cory and Paige Fain in the birth and adoption of Daxton Fain. As a church family we want to support them through our love and prayers and also help with the financial expenses involved with the adoption.

First off, we would like to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers throughout our journey of becoming a family. God has blessed us beyond what we deserve by allowing us to become parents to an amazing little boy. We are extremely grateful for the opportunity to be parents to Daxton. While it is extremely worth it, adoption is costly. We have decided to purchase a puzzle because we finally have the missing piece to our family. If anyone feels led to help us with the expense, we will place your name on the back of a puzzle piece. Then we will put the puzzle together and place it in a double-sided frame so Daxton will always be reminded of who had a "piece" in bringing him into our lives. Thank you! We are so glad to be a part of this church family.

Love, Cory and Paige Fain

If you would like to donate to help defray the expenses of Daxton's adoption, please write "Adoption Fund for Daxton" on your contribution envelope.

JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL!

A Place to Grow and Belong!

Each Sunday * 9:00 am

MINISTRY PARTNERS – NOV. 29

Nursery: Ellie W, Raina J (AM) P & H Elliott (PM)

Children's Worship – Tammy S, Jaden J

WALKING THROUGH THE BIBLE

Resumes Next Wednesday, Dec. 2 * 6:00 pm

Fellowship Hall

Join us as we walk through each book of the Bible. On December 2 we will study *1 Kings*. We are spreading out in the Fellowship Hall practicing social distancing. We are posting each study on our church YouTube channel. Take part in the study of God's word.

1 Kings begins where *2 Samuel* left off. It covers 118 years, beginning with the last days of King David (around 971 BC.) The first 11 chapters are about the reign of King Solomon and the building of the temple. After Solomon's reign the kingdom is divided into Israel (the northern 10 tribes) and Judah (the tribes of Judah and Benjamin.) We see the rapid decline of the two nations (especially Israel) as God's law is neglected and rebelled against. The history of 4 Kings of Judah are recorded (Rehoboam, Abijah, Asa and Jehoshaphat) and 8 Kings of Israel (Jeroboam, Nadab, Baasha, Elah, Zimri, Omri, Ahab and Ahaziah.) In the last part of *1 Kings* we find the incredible stories of the prophet Elijah. The spectacular miracles God does through Elijah prepare us for the miracles and ministry of our Lord Jesus Christ.

INTERNATIONAL MISSION STUDY

Wednesday, December 2 * 11:30 am

Spartanburg County Baptist Network Office

DEEP DIVE 4 LIFE

Our church podcast – *Deep Dive 4 Life* – is now available on Spotify, Google Podcasts, Anchor, Pocket Casts, RadioPublic, and Breaker. We hope to make it available on other platforms soon. A fresh episode is also added to our church YouTube channel each Friday morning. Join us as we dive deep into the Scriptures.

PRAYER TEXT LINE

We have started a prayer text line. (864) 756-1212. Feel free to either text or call and leave a message on the prayer line and share any prayer concerns you may have. Please include whether you want to share the request with the church or just with a small group of prayer warriors. Please see Lisa Abercrombie if you have any questions.

DEACON FAMILY MINISTRY

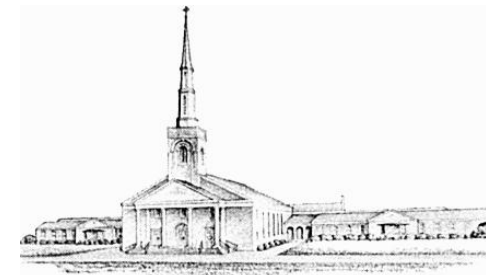
The deacons of our church are committed to being part of the ministry team along with our pastor & church staff. Contact them with prayer concerns, questions, & ministry opportunities as we seek to love & care for one another.

A–Co	Buddy Few and John Ward
Cp–G	Jason Ketterman and Tommy Morgan
H–Lc	Patrick Elliott and Ken Vaughn
Ld–Q	Milton Smith and Terry Sumner
R–S	Ted Culbreath and Terry Hauser
T–Z	Sam Cooper and Susan Cooper

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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Rev 7:9

2020 GOAL

\$175 million

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