## PREPARING FOR WORSHIP **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24** 8:00 AM PANCAKE BREAKFAST 9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

**10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE** LOVING JESUS

Matthew 25:31-46

Join us in person or, by way of live stream or radio broadcast WOUL 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 BIBLE STUDY / WORKSHOP THE ART OF LISTENING

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1** 9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

**10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE** WE NEED JESUS! Matthew 13:44-46

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 JOINT WORSHIP SERVICE Four Points Church will be our special guests leading in worship. Rev. Russ Chambers will be preaching.

7:00 PM PEANUT BOIL AND ROAST

#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Brad Lanford, 9-24 Wavne Waddell, 9-25 Ted Culbreath, 9-27 Marcia Ward, 9-28 Sandra Hix, 9-29 Shelby Hart, 9-30 **Charles Brown**, 10-1 Jeff Hix, 10-4 Laura Lee. 10-5

Graham Robinson, 9-24 Leola Richardson, 9-27 Eddie Brooks, 9-28 Martha Jean Lanford, 9-29 Michael Green, 9-29

Isabella Hang, 10-2 Achim Hunt, 10-4 Kevin Meadows, 10-6 Arthur Meadows Jr. 10-6 Oliver Lambert, 10-6

#### CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

We extend our love and prayerful support to Shelba Scott, Linda Godfrey and their families in the death of their niece, Karen Courtney.

> We extend our love and prayerful support to the family of Rev. Ryan Eklund.

Rev. Eklund served as our pastor from 1975-1979. We are grateful for his life and ministry and the impact he has had on our church. He would often say... "Set your eyes on the cross. Get there as fast as you can and stay there as long as you can."

"The two most important words you can speak are 'Yes. Lord' when He lays claim on your life."



Sunday, September 24 \* 8:00 - 8:45 am Tickets are \$5.00 and can be purchased in the church office or from the CLC.

BREAKFAST

with CLC Scholarships

#### PEANUT BOIL AND ROAST

Sunday, October 1 \* After the Evening Service Four Points Church will be our special guests leading in worship. Rev. Russ Chambers will be preaching.

#### **SEE YOU AT THE POLE**

Wednesday, September 27 Students and the community are invited to participate. Woodruff Primary & Elementary Schools - 7:30 am Woodruff Middle & High Schools - 7:15 am

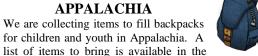
#### CHURCH CONFERENCE REPORT

- 1. The Church adopted the purchase of a new heating and air system for the south wing of the church (youth wing) as our new Over and Above Project.
- 2. The Church elected Susan Cooper as our Church Clerk; Jane Turner as our Church Treasurer; and Cindy Craig as our Assistant Church Treasurer.
- 3. Panagakos Asphalt Paving has been employed to patch, seal crack, recoat and restripe our parking lots. Work should begin in the next few weeks.
- 4. The New Upward Soccer Ministry of the church is underway with registration opening on Oct. 1. Coaches are needed.

#### FAMILY "M" NIGHT Wednesday, September 27 \* 6:00 pm

Everyone is invited for our first Meal, Music and Missions Night (M Night.) We will enjoy supper around the tables, a devotion time, music from our kids choirs and a time to pack backpacks for our September Missions project. Sign up in the church office if you plan to attend. Future Family "M" Nights will be Oct. 25 & Nov. 29.

#### **BACKPACKS FOR APPALACHIA** We are collecting items to fill backpacks



church office & on our church website on the "extra" page. If you are interested in going to help distribute the backpacks this year in December please contact Tracy McAbee at 582-8330. We plan to pack our backpacks as a church family on Wednesday, September 27.



## **FBC FAMILY DAY AT THE FARM Stewart Farms**

Sunday, October 8 \* 1:00 pm 6472 Hwy 92, Enoree SC 29335

Bring your picnic baskets or take out food & join us for a picnic at the farm. We will meet at Stewart Farm, eat, enjoy a devotion together (1:30 pm) & then take part in the fall activities. Bring your lawn chairs, friends, & families. The cost is \$10/person (for a pie pumpkin, wagon ride, small corn maze, farm animals and bee exhibit), but there is no cost to picnic, watch the fun, and enjoy the fellowship! The larger corn maze will be an additional \$4 for ages 6 and up, under age 6 is free for large corn maize. Please sign up in the office if you plan to join us. Everyone is invited!



#### **UPWARD SOCCER SPRING '24**

We are currently recruiting 12 coaches for the spring. Please contact the church office if you would

like more information to volunteer to be a part of this ministry.

- Early Registration will be \$70.00 per player from Oct. 1 to Dec. 31. Regular Registration will be \$75.00 per player from Jan.1 to Feb. 16.
- Each player will receive a reversible jersey with a pair • of socks, practice cards, a soccer ball, a poster for award stars and an end of season metal.
- 3 Divisions: PK4-5; 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades; 3<sup>rd</sup> 5 grades •
- 8 players per team with a goal of 4 teams/division
- 12 week season consisting of practice and 8 games
- Each team will practice one night a week either
- Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday. Evaluations are scheduled February 17 & 20.
- Practice is scheduled to begin March 4 with first game on Saturday, March 16. No games will be scheduled on the Saturdays before and after Easter. The last day of the season will be May 11.

#### THE ART OF LISTENING

Sunday, September 24 \* 6:00 pm "Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry." James 1:19 Join us for this practical workshop led by our pastor designed to sharpen our listening skills.

#### **HELP US DECORATE!**

Come and be part of the team that helps us celebrate special occasions and works to beautify our church. There will be a meeting for all who are interested in serving on Sunday, October 15 at 4:30 pm. See Susan Culbreath for details.



Join us for BBQ (with sauces from across SC) served over rice or with buns and an opportunity to learn about and pray for missions in SC.

Sunday, October 15 \* 6:00 pm \* Fellowship Hall

WHAT'S NEXT:

**Season of Prayer for Missions** in South Carolina Our church goal: \$1,500.

#### STATE MISSION FACTS

- The Janie Chapman Offering supported 64 students to serve on mission through the Baptist Collegiate Ministry missions program (BCMGO).
- In 2022 and 2023, staffers from Camp McCall responded to God's call to serve on short-term missions throughout North America and the world. They served on teams in New Orleans, North Carolina, Alaska, Arizona, Mexico, Cuba, Ecuador, India, Egypt, and New Guinea.
- SCBC has trained over 115 leaders in neighboring through associational partnerships, churches, and Impact breakouts.
- In 2022, South Carolina Baptist Disaster Relief (DR) deployed 43 units to a flood in Kentucky and Hurricane Ian in Florida.
- Disaster Relief volunteers made over 2,600 ministry contacts that included prayer, spiritual discussions, or gospel presentations with the disaster survivors they served in 2022, resulting in 12 salvation decisions.
- As of July 1, 9 new churches have completed the process to join with the South Carolina Baptist Convention. (18 new churches joined in 2022.)
- 13 church planters have been in residencies in South Carolina Baptist churches in 2023.
- 28 new churches, spread across six strategic regions of South Carolina, have received monthly funding made possible by the Janie Chapman Offering in 2023. Four are Hispanic, two are African American, two are Chinese, one is Brazilian, and three are multi-ethnic.

#### REMIND

Sign up for remind to receive important texts or emails. Church family - We will send out time sensitive information (deaths, schedule changes, etc.) Text the message "@wfbc1787" to 81010 or email us to sign up.

#### **ONLINE GIVING**

Secure online giving is available on our church website: www.fbcwoodruff.org

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

	<u>Sept. 10</u>	Sept. 17	<u>2023</u>
Budget Needs	\$ 8,754.71	\$ 8,754.71	\$ 332,678.98
Budget Offering	<u>\$ 5,104.55</u>	<u>\$ 4,041.63</u>	<u>\$ 335,672.99</u>
Over/(Under)	\$ (3,650.16)	\$ (4,731.08)	\$ 2,994.01
Additional Offerings Given for Special Accounts			
Stewardship Supplies		\$ 17.68	
Theology Class		\$ 50.00	
Senior Adult Fellowship		\$190.00	
Janie Chapman Offering		\$315.00	
OVER and ABOVE		\$120.00	
CLC Pancake Breakfast		\$ 25.00	
CLC		\$100.00	
Good News Club		\$700.00	
Appalachia Backpacks		\$ 50.00	

#### GIFTS TO THE GLORY OF GOD!

<u>OVER and ABOVE</u> In Memory of JoAnne Westmoreland and Ellie Knoke **Tommie Joe McAbee** 



#### OVER and ABOVE Heating & Air for the South Wing Fund Balance: \$18,103.28

Gifts to the OVER and ABOVE fund will go toward the purchase of a new heating and air unit for the south wing (youth wing) of the church.

#### MINISTRY ANNIVERSARY

**Reverend Andrew Shull** began serving as our pastor on Oct. 1, 1995. We have been richly blessed through Andrew's teaching, preaching, gifts & abilities that he uses for the glory of God. In addition to his responsibilities as our pastor he teaches two theology classes each school day for Woodruff High School students. We are grateful to the Lord for Andrew. Please continue to pray for him as he serves in Jesus' name.

#### MINISTRY PROPOSALS

The Stewardship Committee will soon begin the process of putting together a church budget for 2024. Contact the church office if you would like a Ministry Proposal form. Ministry Proposals are **due Sunday, September 24.** 

#### HEARTS FOR SCHOOLS

Bring boxes of fruit gummies by the office, or contribute by marking Hearts for Schools on your envelope. Help pack on September 26 at Northside Baptist Church at 9:30 am. Thanks!

#### **THANKS!**

I am so grateful for your prayers and other expressions of love during my recent illness. I give thanks for each of you. With love, **Andrew Shull** 



## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

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

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Worship Service - Live on Radio & YouTube 6:00 pm The Art of Listening MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

11:00 am Ladies' Bible Study – Builders' Room WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

7:15 am See You at the Pole Woodruff Middle & High
7:30 am See You at the Pole Woodruff Primary & Elementary
6:00 pm FAMILY "M" NIGHT Meal, Music, & Missions – Appalachia Back Packs

7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

6:00 pm Web Site Team Meeting SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship Service - Live on Radio & YouTube 4:00 pm Deacons' Meeting 6:00 pm Joint Worship with Four Points Church Peanut Boil and Rost to follow

#### MONDAY, OCTOBER 2

11:00 am Ladies' Bible Study – Builders' Room WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3 5:45 pm Music & Missions, Youth Lighthouse 6:00 pm Church Bible Study – Live on YouTube 7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5 6:00 pm Stewardship Committee

#### 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-CoMatt Lineberger and John WardCp-HanPerry McAbee and Milton SmithHan-LcJerald Craig and Ken VaughnLi-OrPatrick Elliott and Nick FortnerOs-TaMike Elliott and Tommy Morgan

Tb-Z Mark Smith and James Talanges

## MINISTRY PARTNERS

SEPTEMBER 24: Greeters: Stormy S & Sharon V Outside U: Scott G, Levi G. Cory F C Worship: Carol Anne T & Bryson Nursery: Marcia & Emillia W (am) Lisa & Bobby A (pm) OCT 1: Greeters: T & T Sumner Outside Ushers: Mark S & Jason K Nursery: P & C Fain (am) H & P Elliott (pm) Children's Worship: Lorraine F & Corey F

> LIVE RADIO BROADCAST Each Sunday \* 10:00 am Woodruff Radio WOUL 101.7 FM 1510 AM

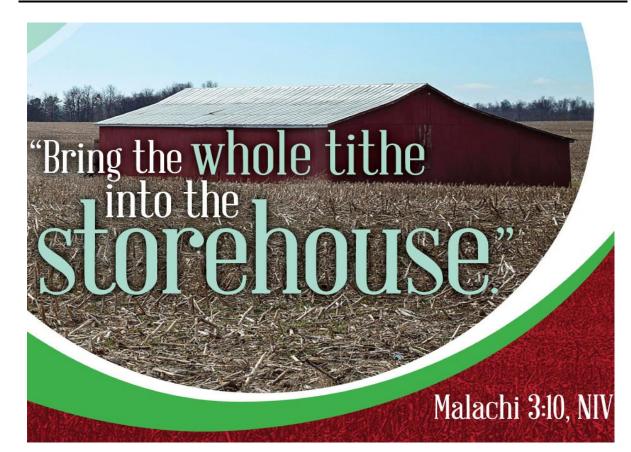
# THE ENCOURAGER

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



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# First Baptist Church \* Woodruff, South Carolina SEPTEMBER 20 – OCTOBER 3, 2023



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