

First Baptist News

a family of faith



We are looking forward to a special worship service this Sunday. Several months ago, Rev. Steve Branch, a native of Lumberton, approached me and asked about the possibility of hosting a “Youth Ministry Reunion” this fall. As Steve and I discussed the idea he said, “I enjoy seeing people I went to school with, but the people I most want to see are the ones I went to church with, the people in youth groups and choir.” Some folks find community in social clubs and others find it in athletic teams, but Steve and many others of his day found a sense of belonging and identity in the halls and ministries of our church. Steve and I talked further and as I hope you know, the reunion is scheduled for this weekend.

The Reunion will begin at 3:00 on Saturday in the Fellowship Hall. Folks will gather to visit and renew friendships and a catered meal will be served later in the evening. All are welcome, but the sign up for the meal has passed. Following the meal, those who are interested and able will have a choir practice and will prepare two pieces of music to be sung in Sunday’s worship service. On Sunday, we will have one worship service at 11:00 a.m. Steve will preach and the “Reunion Choir,” under the direction of Mary Alice Seals, will sing.

I hope you will be here and listen to the underlying message of the weekend. The hope is for those who were a part of the youth ministry in the 1970’s-1980’s to gather, reconnect, and share memories. That’s the hope, and the message is a statement to First Baptist Church of Lumberton in 2018—that the ministries we offer our children and youth matter. They matter a lot.

Steve and those who have helped organize this reunion are coming with a message. They are coming to say “thank you” for sharing Christ with them and urging them to build their lives on Christian values. Many who were a part of this group went on to vocational ministry. Others honor Christ in their businesses, practices, and volunteer work. All met Christ here at FBC and they are returning to express their gratitude and to encourage us to continue investing in the lives of young people. I hope you will be able to join us this Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

Peace,
David

FBC Youth Reunion

Saturday, October 13th at 3:00 p.m.
Reunion Activities begin in Cherry
Fellowship Hall

Sunday, October 14 at 11:00 a.m.
Combined Worship Service in the
Sanctuary. Rev. Steve Branch will be our
guest preacher and the Youth Reunion
Choir will sing.



DEACONS

Following to lead | Leading to Serve

Due to Hurricane Florence, we have rescheduled our annual Deacon Election. Our nominees will be announced in the November 1st edition of *First Baptist News* and our election will be held on November 4th. Absentee ballots will be available in the church office on October 29th.

Flu Shot Clinic

October 28th
8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.



Open to anyone 14
years of age or older. A
variety of insurance
plans will be
accepted.

This Week . . .

Sunday, October 14

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. **Worship**
4:30 p.m. Youth Bells
6:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study

Monday, October 15

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

Tuesday, October 16

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Circle

Wednesday, October 17

5:15 p.m. Family Night Supper
5:45 p.m. Music Makers Choir
(1st-3rd Grade)
Young Musicians Choir
(4th-6th Grade)
6:00 p.m. Family Night At Prayer
WYD (Grades 7-12)
6:30 p.m. 1st-3rd Grade Bible Study
4th-6th Grade Handbells
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir
Rehearsal



**Wednesday, October 31 at
First Baptist, Lumberton**

(7th & Walnut St.)

5:15-6:00 pm - FREE hot dog supper in the Fellowship Hall
6:00-7:00 pm - Trunk or Treat in the 6th Street lot
(will be moved indoors if it rains)

**Don't forget to wear your costume and
bring a bag to collect candy!**

Questions? Contact the church
office (739-4330).



Prizes will be awarded for the most creative car, funniest car, and people's choice. We will need plenty of cars and plenty of candy. Please bring individually wrapped candy to the church office.

For the Record

Budgeted 2018.....	\$700,000.00
Weekly Need (2018)	\$13,461.54
Received October 7, 2018.....	\$17,955.50
Need to date.....	\$538,461.54
Received to date.....	\$471,465.52
Over (Under) Budget.....	(\$66,996.02)

Sunday School Attendance,
October 7, 2018—165

Person of the Week

Ruth Britt
Glen Flora—Room 314
5701 N. Fayetteville Rd.
Lumberton, NC 28358

Send a card, letter, or other remembrance
to our special person this week.

Servants this Sunday, October 14, 2018

ETC—11:00 a.m.—Amanda Evans & Sara Benson

Welcoming—David & Judy Nicholson, Tim Hobbs

Entrance Greeters

Children's Building—Mickey & Johnny Johnson

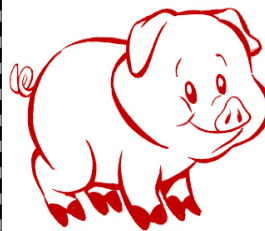
Walnut Street—Dianne & Layton Britt

6th Street—Dean Kinlaw

Senior Entrance—Jim Driscoll

Security Monitor—Keith Hardee

Sound—Ross Driscoll



Tickets for our Annual Barbecue
Plate Sale (November 16th) are
available now! They are \$7.00
each and can be purchased from
any First Baptist Youth.