

First Baptist News

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TRANSITIONS

We are currently in a period of pastoral transition. In this season, we are looking to the future and considering how the mission and ministry of First Baptist Church, Lumberton, will continue to grow and change. Here is what to expect during this transition:

Meet our Interim Pastor (beginning Dec. 1)

We are excited to announce that Dr. Bo Prosser will be our interim pastor, beginning on December 1, 2019! Bo is a good friend of First Baptist Church, Lumberton. In 2017, he led our spiritual renewal weekend, and most recently was one of our guest preachers in August. He has served the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship in many roles and still does today as the Director of the Ministerial Excellence Initiative. He is also the President of the Center for Christian Education, which he and his wife, Gail, founded.

As our interim pastor, Bo will be present Sunday-Tuesday of each week. In addition to worship leadership, he will also be working with our church staff, visiting, consulting with church leadership and committees, and helping us as we ready ourselves to welcome our next pastor. Please join us in praying for Bo as he prepares to minister alongside us in this season of transition!

Special thanks to our interim search committee for their work: Heather Walters (chair), Liz Lytch (vice chair), Alli Branch, Bruce Huggins, Helen Odom, Eddie Prevatte, and Kallie Watts.

Sunday Mornings

Until Bo begins his work as our interim pastor, several guest preachers will provide pulpit supply. Our schedule of guest preachers is as follows:

November 3 – Dr. Jennifer Bashaw

Dr. Bashaw is Assistant Professor of New Testament and Christian Ministry at Campbell University. Prior to her current position, she taught at East Texas Baptist University, and has also served as a minister in various Baptist churches.

November 10 – Dr. Tony Cartledge

Dr. Cartledge is Professor of Old Testament at Campbell University Divinity School. He is the author of several books and hundreds of articles, writes the weekly Nurturing Faith curriculum, and serves as a Contributing Editor for Baptists Today.



I am so excited to be sharing with you. The days ahead will be filled with hard work, deep prayer, and spirit-filled imagination! I'm honored to accept your call and walk with you and minister among you! God is guiding! Gail and I are rejoicing!

—Bo Prosser

Trunk or Treat—October 30, 2019



Most Creative: "Noah's Ark"
Larry & Page Sawyer



People's Choice: "Honey Bees"
**Ashlynn Cox, Nolyn Raynor, Brooke Blackmon,
and Shakey the Dog**



Funniest: "Toy Story"
Jeff & Karon Prince

We had an excellent turn-out for Trunk or Treat this year. Over 240 hot dogs were served and we gave out tons of treats in the parking lot (even though we had a little rain.)

Thanks to everyone who helped make this event possible!

Baptist Women's Luncheon

November 4th at 11:45 a.m. in the Activity Building
Speaker: Rev. Drew Collier, Director of Robeson County
Church & Community Center
Please bring a sandwich.

The Glen Flora Group will meet at 10:45 a.m.

**Bible Study #3 will meet in the Activity Building,
November 5th at 11:45 a.m.**

Knit Wits will meet Wednesday,
November 6th at 10:30 a.m. in the
church parlor. Bring your current
project. Anyone who enjoys knitting
or crocheting is welcome to join us.



ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

November 3, 2019

This Week. . .

Sunday, November 3

8:45 a.m. Worship
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship
4:45 p.m. Youth Bells
6:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study
Adult Bells

Monday, November 4

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
10:45 a.m. Glen Flora Group
11:45 a.m. Baptist Women's
Luncheon

Tuesday, November 5

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group
8:30 a.m. Senior Adults to
Carolina Opry
11:45 a.m. Bible Study #3
6:00 p.m. Youth Committee Meeting

Wednesday, November 6

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
Youth Doing Missions
6:30 p.m. 1st-3rd Grade Bible Study
4th-6th Grade Handbells
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir
Rehearsal

For the Record

Budgeted 2019	\$700,000.00
Weekly Need (2019).....	\$13,461.54
Received October 27, 2019	\$12,682.09
Need to date	\$578,846.15
Received to date.....	\$489,425.27
Over (Under) Budget.....	(\$89,420.88)

Sunday School Attendance—176

“Tis the season to collect donations for the annual Hanging of the Green! We would like to include your honorariums/memorials in this year's program. Please complete this form and return it to the church office no later than Monday, November 25th.

I would like to contribute \$ _____ to the Hanging of the Green Greenery and Poinsettia Fund.

Please print names exactly as they should appear in the program.

In memory of: _____

And/or

In honor of: _____

Given by: _____

Phone: _____



Fun & Fellowship
November 14th at 11:00 a.m.
in the Activity Building
We will be celebrating
Thanksgiving.
Bring a sandwich and a friend!

**Servants this Sunday,
November 3, 2019**

ETC—8:45 a.m.—Alyssa Weibe & Becky Thompson

11:00 a.m.—Alyssa Weibe

Entrance Greeters

Children's Building — Diane & Layton Britt

Walnut Street— Dean Kinlaw

6th Street — Jimmy & Billie Dail

Senior Entrance — Jim Driscoll

Welcoming Committee—Becky & Tony Thompson, Billie Dail

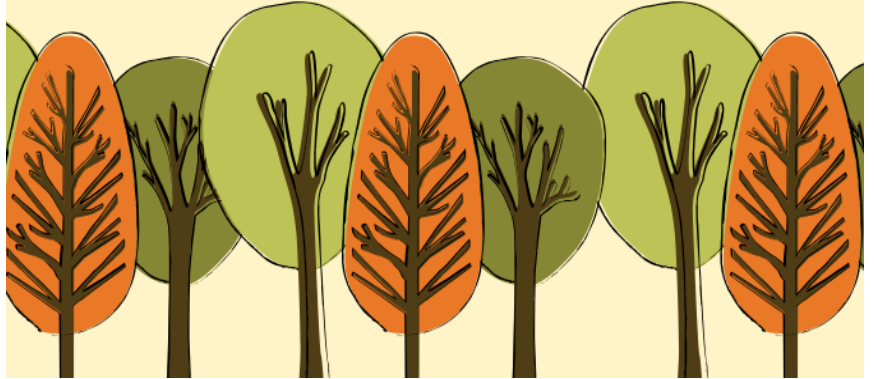
Security Monitor—Johnny Strickland

Sound— Ross Driscoll

Video— Greg Gibson

Community Thanksgiving Service

Sunday, November 24th at 7:00 p.m.
First Presbyterian Church
Combined Choirs will rehearse at 5:00 p.m.



First

Baptist's



Plate Sale

Friday, November 22nd

\$7.00 each

🍴 11:00 am to 7:00 pm

🍴 Plates include wood-fired BBQ, beans, slaw, bread, dessert.

Boston Butts can be purchased in advance—
\$30 (\$35 day of sale.)

Tickets are available from any FBC Youth or in the church office. Proceeds go to support FBC Youth.



Family Night Supper Menus

November 6, 2019—Red Ticket: Baked Potato Bar

Blue Ticket: Chicken Nuggets, Chips, Fruit

November 13, 2019—Red Ticket: Stew Beef, Rice, Green Beans, Rolls, Salad, Blueberry Dump Cake

Blue Ticket: Hot Dogs, Chips, Fruit

November 20, 2019—Spaghetti, String Beans, Toast, Salad, Peaches

November 27, 2019—*No Family Night Supper*

Person of the Week

Mary Holcomb
500 Robin Rd.
Lumberton, NC 28358

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

CHURCH STAFF

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