

First Baptist News

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This Week . . .

Wednesday, November 11

Veteran's Day

- 6:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting (Zoom)
- 7:00 p.m. Bridge Class (Zoom)

Thursday, November 12

- 1:00 p.m. Circle of Friends Class (Zoom)

Sunday, November 15

- 10:00 a.m. **Worship (Facebook Live & YouTube)**
- 11:00 a.m. Fellowship Class (Zoom)

Monday, November 16

- 1:00-2:30 p.m. Tithing Time
- 7:00 p.m. Monday School (Bo's Facebook Page)
- 7:30 p.m. Deacons' Meeting

Tuesday, November 17

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group (Zoom)



Community Thanksgiving Service

Join us for an online multi-church service of thankfulness on November 22nd at 7:00 p.m. More information to come!



The Hanging of the Green

November 29, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.


On Facebook Live & YouTube

Cake Raffle!

\$5 = 1 ticket

Tickets may be purchased on Monday during Tithing Time (1-2:30 pm at the 6th Street entrance).

Winners will be drawn on Friday, November 20.



All proceeds benefit FBC youth missions and trips.

November 22nd at 10:00 am

Deacon Ordination Service



As the Advent season quickly approaches, we are making plans for safe and meaningful adaptations of some of our long-standing traditions. For example, Hanging of the Green will be a virtual service...but we will still get to prepare for the season together via these take-home kits! Each item in the box will correspond with part of the service, and you will be invited to place those items in your own home.

You may pick up your box at tithing time during the next two weeks, then participate in the Hanging of the Green, November 29th at 10:00 a.m.

Proposed Amendments to Bylaws October 19, 2020

Amend Article V, Section 2, by adding the following sentence at the end: “Any conference or church meeting may be held and conducted virtually or in person, at the discretion of the Pastor and Deacon Chair.”

Amend Article VII, Section 5., A., to reduce the number of deacons from twenty-four (24) to sixteen (16). In order to effectuate that change over a four (4) year period, while honoring the terms of deacons already elected to serve, the following words in that section will be changed as follows:

<u>Current Wording</u>	<u>New Wording</u>
2005	2020
2006	2021
thirty-two (32)	twenty-four (24)
twenty-four (24)	sixteen (16)

Amend Article VIII to change word “Six (6)” to “Four (4)” as to the number of deacons to be elected each year.

**A Called Church Conference will be held on Sunday, November 22nd at 12 noon via
Zoom to vote concerning these amendments to the Bylaws.
Zoom information will be provided to the congregation in an email prior to the conference.**

Give to First Baptist Church!

Here are some ways to donate to our ministry:

- Drop by during Tithing Time!— Mondays from 1:00-2:30 p.m.
- Scan our QR code with your cell phone to go to our giving page.



- Go to our website (www.fbclumbertonnc.org) to complete a draft form.
- Send us your contribution by mail— **606 N. Walnut St., Lumberton, NC 28358**

For the Record

Budgeted 2020.....	\$700,000.00
Weekly Need (2020)	\$13,461.54
Received November 2, 2020.....	\$13,000.50
Need to date	\$575,384.62
Received to date.....	\$443,980.45
Over (Under) Budget.....	(\$131,404.17)



Each Wednesday night at 6pm we will have a time of sharing concerns and announcements and praying together. We will also have a time of devotion based on Bo's sermons.

Email Daphne in the church office to get the Zoom link for these meetings— daphnefletcher@fbclumbertonnc.org.

It is time to begin collecting donations for the annual Hanging of the Green! While our service will be virtual this year, families and individuals will be provided a to-go box with items to help prepare for Advent in your own home as we worship together (including an Advent wreath)! Donations will offset the cost of these boxes, but you do not have to give to receive a box. Forms & donations will be collected at tithing time each week until Monday, November 23rd.

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

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

In memory of: _____

And/or

In honor of: _____

Given by: _____

Phone: _____

Children's Christmas Party Donations Welcomed!

We will still be offering some care and help for families in need during the holidays this year through a different/scaled down/socially distant version of the Children's Christmas Party. We have already begun working with area schools to establish a list of families we can assist. Monetary donations are needed to make this missions opportunity a reality.

Friends of Jesus Christmas Care Packages

Our Friends of Jesus Christmas Party has been a long-standing, well-loved tradition at First Baptist. Our special needs adults look forward all year to a visit from Santa, gifts and this special time of fellowship together. Even though they are unable to gather for this event this year, First Baptist wants our Friends of Jesus to know that they are appreciated and loved. In that spirit, leaders of the class will be preparing care packages for the class members for Christmas. Please donate to the Friends of Jesus Christmas Fund, so that we may purchase and distribute these gifts.

Please designate "Children's Christmas Party" or "Friends of Jesus Christmas" on the memo line of your check. Donations will be accepted by mail—606 N. Walnut St., Lumberton, NC 28358— or at tithing time—1-2:30 p.m. each Monday.



What does it mean to BE church?

November 8: We repent and seek restoration.

November 15: We imitate Jesus.

November 22: We serve (deacon ordination).



Thank you to everyone who brought food for our First Monday Food Drive this past week!

Person of the Week

Dorothy Powers
Wesley Pines Room A-157
1000 Wesley Pines Rd.
Lumberton, NC 28358

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

CHURCH STAFF

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