

First Baptist News

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This Week. . .

Sunday, October 3

World Communion Sunday

Called Church Conference immediately following 10:00 Worship for the purpose of Deacon election

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School Classes:
Circle of Friends Class
Collins Class
Susan Welsh Class
- 10:00 a.m. **Worship in Cherry Fellowship Hall**
- 10:00 a.m. **Worship Online via Facebook Live**
- 11:15 a.m. Sunday School Classes:
Fellowship Class (Fellowship Hall & Zoom)
Bridge Sunday School Class
Children's Sunday School Classes
Youth Sunday School
- 5:00 p.m. Youth Bells
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study

Tuesday, October 5

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

Wednesday, October 6

- 6:00 p.m. **Prayer Service in Cherry Fellowship Hall & Zoom**
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Doing Missions
Wednesday Night Live & Children's Music Activities

Called Church Conference Deacon Election

**Sunday, October 3, 2021
immediately following 10:00 Worship**

Absentee ballots will be accepted in the church office Monday, September 27 through Friday, October 1 from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm. Curbside service is also available—call 739-4336.

Preparing for Sunday, October 3, 2021 The Normalcy of Asking "Why?" Job 1:1; 2:1-10



For those worshipping with us online, remember to have your communion elements where you can easily access them during the livestream. Elements may also be picked up from the church office.

Servants this Sunday

9:00 Sunday School Entrance Greeters

*6th Street Ramp 8:30—9:00 am
Kenneth Sasser

10:00 Worship Entrance Greeters

The 6th Street entrance & 6th Street ramp entrance will be locked.

Fellowship Hall Lobby 9:30—11:00 am

Jimmy and Billie Dail

*ECM Entrance 9:30—10:00 am
Gene Horne

Nursery

Ashlynn Cox, Jenna Davis

Extended Session

Heather Walters

*Handicap Accessible entrance

Join Us IN Worship

Worship service will be held in-person and via Facebook Live at 10:00 a.m. in Cherry Fellowship Hall. Childcare is available in the regular nursery classrooms during 10:00 am worship and during 11:00 am Sunday school.

Persons attending Sunday School and Worship will wear masks in all indoor settings. This applies to those who have been vaccinated and those who have not been or cannot be vaccinated.

Sunday School classes meeting in-person this Sunday at 9:00 am:

Circle of Friends — Parlor
Collins Class — Conference Room
Susan Welsh Class — Room D-113

Sunday School classes meeting in-person this Sunday at 11:15 am:

Fellowship Class — Fellowship Hall and Zoom
Bridge Class — Room D-202
Youth Sunday School — Youth Sunday School Hall, Room 203
1st-5th Grade — Room D-206
Preschool — Room C-101



Wednesday Prayer Service, Youth, and Children's Activities to meet in-person October 6.

An option to join prayer service via Zoom will be available. Childcare is available.

First Sunday Food Drive

The first Sunday of each month we collect non-perishable foods for local charities.

Canned goods are now greatly needed, especially since the fair has been cancelled along with the canned goods donation night. Bring your donations to Worship on Sunday, October 3. Donation suggestions: Canned vegetables, canned fruits, Vienna sausages, canned meats (such as chicken breast), pork & beans, rice, dried beans, boxed meals, baby foods, bottles of water and juices. A collection bin will be available in the Fellowship Hall lobby.



Youth Doing Missions — Food Drive

Youth will collect canned and non-perishable goods during Wednesday Night Youth Doing Missions on October 6 and 13. Please call the church office by Tuesday, October 12 (739-4336) with your address so we can plan a van route to pick up your donations on October 13. The Youth will deliver and sort donations at Lumberton Christian Care on October 20.



First Baptist's BBQ Plate Sale Friday, November 19th \$8.00 each Plate or Pint

11:00 am to 7:00 pm
Take out only (no inside dining)

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

Tickets may be purchased in advance from any FBC Youth or in the office.



Deacon Election Procedures 2021

Due to the continuing COVID-19 Pandemic, the membership is encouraged to vote for deacons by absentee ballot the week prior to October 3.

To vote for Deacons:

- Members may call the church office (739-4336) to make arrangements to come to the 6th Street entrance between 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Monday, September 27 through Friday, October 1, to receive and submit absentee ballots. A church employee or their designee will provide an absentee ballot to the member during these hours, obtain a signature of the voting member on a list, and receive the completed ballot back in a sealed envelope. These sealed envelopes will be collected and kept together with a list of signatures of those persons who submit absentee ballots.
- A called church conference will be held at the conclusion of the 10 a.m. worship service on Sunday, October 3, 2021. At this meeting, the members attending who have not previously submitted an absentee ballot to the church office will be called upon to cast their ballots for deacon. Masks will be required and social distancing will be observed. The ballots submitted at this meeting will be added to the absentee ballots submitted to the church office during the week prior to the deacon election, and will thereafter be counted by the Deacon Election Committee.

The results of the election will be reported first to the nominees and then will be posted on the church website, on the church's social media pages (Facebook and Instagram), and in the next edition of *First Baptist News*.

On Sunday, September 26, we welcomed Eddie Aldape, who along with his wife Macarena, serves as CBF Field Personnel in Spain. Eddie not only preached and shared stories from their ministry, he even joined in with our praise band on the drums for the morning. Following service, Eddie facilitated a traditional Moroccan meal of tagine, couscous, soup, and vegetables for our ministry staff and deacons, and shared more details about their work. To keep up with the Aldapes and to support their work directly visit <https://www.classy.org/.../eddie-and-macarena-aldape/c106531>





Coming up. . .

October 14 — Youth Committee Meeting

October 16 — Community Café hosted by the Fellowship Class

October 18 — Finance Committee Meeting and Deacons Meeting

October 26-27 — ECM Fall pictures, parlor

October 27 — Trunk or Treat

November 1 — Young Adult Ski trip payment is due (\$100)

November 3 — Quarterly Church Conference, Youth Ski trip deposit is due (\$100)

November 19 — BBQ Sale

November 28 — Hanging of the Green

Wednesday Night Children's & Youth Activities

Music Munchkins and Mission Friends are for ages 3—Kindergarten. Music Makers (1st—3rd Grade) and Young Musicians Choir (4th—5th Grade) will be playing handbells this Fall. Children in 1st—5th Grade will also attend Wednesday Night Live Bible Study. All children will be escorted from the Fellowship Hall with their leaders starting at 6:00. Please remember to wear a mask so we can all be safe!

Here is our Wednesday Night Schedule:

6:00	Wednesday Night Live (1st-5th Grade)
6:00—7:00	Music Munchkins and Mission Friends with Ms. Betty and Ms. Nancy
6:00—6:30	Music Makers with Mr. Tim
6:30—7:00	Young Musicians Choir with Mr. Tim

Youth will be participating in Youth Doing Missions at 6:00 p.m. Meet at the Activity Building and wear your mask.

Give to First Baptist Church!

Here are some ways to donate to our ministry:

- Give during Sunday worship.
- Scan our QR code with your cell phone camera to go to our giving page.
- Give through our [secure online giving portal](#).
- Go to our website (www.fbclumbertonnc.org) to complete a draft form.
- Send us your contribution by mail — **606 N. Walnut St., Lumberton, NC**



Person of the Week

Gracie Davis
196 Kensington Street
Lumberton, NC 28358

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

CHURCH STAFF

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