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First Baptist News

First Baptist, Lumberton is a community of faith committed to living out the love of Christ by serving God and all people.

Coming up this week. . .

Sunday, December 11

The Third Sunday in Advent

9:30 a.m. Church-wide Christmas Party

Friends of Jesus Singing

(Fellowship Hall)

10:30 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary

10:30 a.m. Worship Online

via Facebook Live & YouTube

Monday, December 12

Staff Meeting 10:30 a.m. **Scouts Meeting** 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 13

Men's Prayer Group (Zoom) 7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. ECM Children Singing at

Woodhaven

Wednesday, December 14

6:00 p.m. Youth Progressive Dinner 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, December 15

7:30-9:00 a.m. ECM Christmas Breakfast

(Fellowship Hall)

Saturday, December 17

Community Café, hosted by 10:00 a.m.

Bridge Class (Act. Bld.)

First Baptist Church

Preparing for Sunday, December 11 The Third Sunday in Advent

> "An Advent Journey: **Undeterred Joy**"

Isaiah 35:1-10, Matthew 11:2-11 (NLT)

9:30 a.m. Church-wide Christmas Party 10:30 a.m. Worship

Join us for Worship in-person in the Sanctuary or online on Facebook Live

facebook.com/firstbaptistlumbertonnc or online on YouTube voutube.com/c/lumbertonfbc/





immediately following Worship in the Sanctuary

Purpose: Budget Vote



Advent at First Baptist

Sunday, December 11 Friends of Jesus Singing & Church-wide Christmas Party

During the Sunday School hour (9:30 am) Sunday, December 11, bring your favorite Christmas treat to share as we listen to the Friends of Jesus Class sing in the Fellowship Hall.

Sunday, December 18 Sanctuary Choir Cantata during 10:30 am Worship

Wednesday, December 21 Caroling Night

We'll meet at the church at 6:00 p.m. and travel around the community to sing carols to our homebound members. We will conclude around 8:00 p.m.



Saturday, December 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be held December 24, 2022 at 5:00 pm in the Sanctuary. During the service, the Christ Candle will be lit, we'll sing carols, read the account of the birth of Jesus, and then share the light of Christ.

Sunday, December 25

Worship with us at 10:30 am in the Sanctuary, on Facebook Live, or on Youtube.

No Sunday School classes will meet.



Scan the QR code above with your cell phone camera to access our social media pages, YouTube Channel, and our website.

Give to First Baptist Church!

Here are some ways to donate to our ministry:

- Give during Sunday worship.
- Scan the QR code to the right with your cell phone camera to go to our secure, online giving page.
- Give through our <u>secure online giving</u> portal.
- Go to our website (<u>www.fbclumbertonnc.org</u>) to complete a draft form.
- Send us your contribution by mail:
 606 N. Walnut Street, Lumberton, NC 28358

Contributions for 2022 must be post-marked by December 31st!



Friends of Jesus Christmas Party 2022





Thank you for your generous gifts to make our party possible! Contributions are being accepted through the month of December to help us reach our goal. If you wish to sponsor one of our Friends of Jesus students, we spend approximately \$125.00 per person.



Attention Youth:

Your Children Christmas Party gifts were due Wednesday, Dec. 7. If you have not finished your shopping, you will need to do so ASAP! If you are helping Saturday, please arrive by 9:30 am so we can set up and organize before families arrive. We hope to finish up around noon, then we need to put things away and clean up. Contact Doug for more info.

Wednesday night Bible study, Children's activities, and Youth Doing Missions will not meet December 14, 2022—January 4, 2023.

Coming up in December...

December 13 — ECM Children singing at Woodhaven

December 15 — ECM Christmas Breakfast, 7:00—9:00 am, Fellowship Hall

December 17 — Community Café hosted by Bridge

December 18 — Sanctuary Choir Cantata

December 19 — Finance will meet at 5:45 pm in Room D-113. Deacons will meet at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

December 21—Caroling Night, 6:00—8:00 p.m.

December 23, 26, 27 —Office & ECM Closed **December 24** — Christmas Eve Candlelight Service,

5:00 pm, Sanctuary

December 25 — Christmas (falls on Sunday). Sunday School and Extended Session will not meet.

December 31 — Contributions for 2022 must be postmarked by this date.

Coming up in January...

January 1 — New Year's Day (falls on Sunday).

Sunday School and Extended Session will not meet.

January 2 — Office & ECM Closed

January 3 — Baptist Women's Bible Study Group, 11:45 am, Activities Building

January 9 — WMU Meeting, 11:45 am, Activities Building

January 12 — Fun & Fellowship, 11:00 am, **Activities Building**

January 15 — Knit Wits, 3:00 pm January 16 — Finance will meet at 5:45 pm in Room D-113. Deacons will meet at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

January 21 — Community Café hosted by Sanctuary Choir

January 26-29 — Youth Ski Trip

January 31 — 2022 Contributions Statements will be mailed (or emailed, if preferred) around this date.



Scan for Order of Worship

Access our Order of Worship online!

Scan this QR code with your cell phone camera for a direct link to the Order of Worship on the church's website. You can also visit fbclumbertonnc.org/orderof-worship



Joyful Travelers to Lancaster Show Trip & the Dutch Country May 1—5, 2023

A few spaces are still available!

Cost: \$650.00 with a \$75.00 deposit due upon signing up. The price is per person, based on double occupancy. Final trip payment is due Feb. 22, 2023.

We need at least 40 people to make the trip possible. The trip includes transportation, lodging, most meals, admission to several shows, and guided tours. See the flyer posted on the bulletin boards for a full list.

If you have signed up already, contact Phyllis to sign the required COVID waivers and for rooming information.

Kandace out of office

Kandace's children are out of school Thanksgiving through January 2, 2023. She will be in the office most days of the week from 8:30 am to at least 2:30 pm, but will be working from home on Fridays and will be out a few other days for appointments. We encourage you to call the office to make sure someone is in before you stop by (910-739-4336). You can also email Kandace directly (kandaceramsey@fbclumbertonnc.org).



Person of the Week

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

Charles Kinlaw 403 W. 34th Street Lumberton, NC 28358



Servants this Sunday

9:30 Sunday School Entrance Greeters

*6th Street Ramp, 9:00—9:30 am Jimmy & Billie Dail *ECM Entrance, 9:00—9:30 am Sue O'Tuel

10:30 Worship Entrance Greeters

Sanctuary Vestibule, 10:00—11:30 am Jayne & Bruce Huggins

Nursery — Ashlynn Cox and Jenna Davis

Extended Session — Nancy Wagner, Kim Gore

*Handicap Accessible entrance

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