

First Baptist News

FBC 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, August 20

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
The Friends of Jesus Sunday School Class will not meet.
- 10:30 a.m. Worship in Fellowship Hall
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Online

Monday, August 21

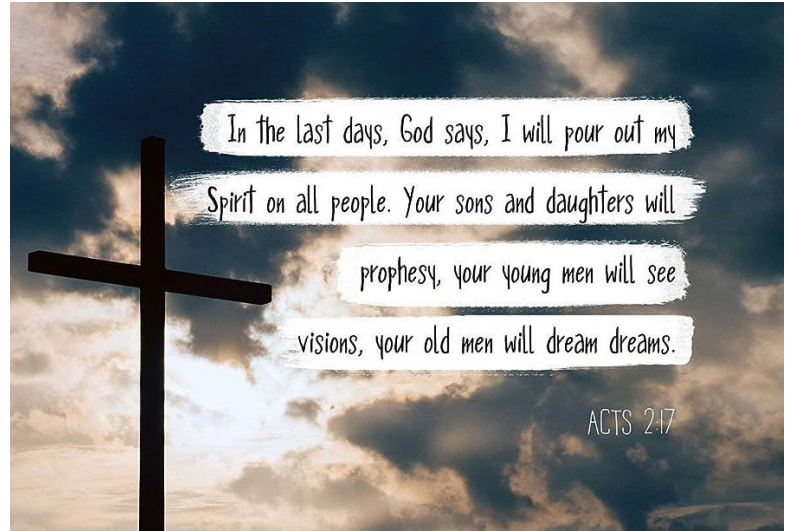
- 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting (Conf. Rm.)
- 6:30 p.m. Scouts Meeting (Act. Bld.)

Tuesday, August 22

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group (Zoom)
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Committee Meeting

Saturday, August 26

- 10:00 a.m. Hispanic Ministry Bible Study (Act. Bld.)



Preparing for Sunday, August 20

Youth Summer Trip Report Presented by Rev. Doug Reedy and the Youth of FBC

Acts 2:17

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Worship

Join us for Worship in-person
in Cherry Fellowship Hall
or online on Facebook Live

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

We'll resume meeting in the Sanctuary
Sunday, September 10.

EDUCATION SUNDAY
August 27, 2023

Prayer for

- Early Childhood Ministry
- Schools
- Teachers & Admin.
- Parents

As teachers, administrators, and parents anxiously await the start of the 2023-24 school year, we want to take a moment during worship Sunday, August 27th to recognize them and pray for them. We'll highlight our ECM teachers, local schools, and school teachers as part of worship. So we can include everyone, send us your child's school. Teachers, let us know where you will be teaching. Contact the church office (910-739-4336) to get us this information.

MENTAL HEALTH FOR TODAY'S CHURCH



AWARENESS ♥ PREVENTION + EDUCATION

Saturday, September 9, 2023
9 am — 1 pm
Cherry Fellowship Hall

Guest Speakers

Terry & Phillip Lee
of the Overflow Foundation
overflow.foundation



Scan to Register

Register by
Friday, August 25.

Online registration is encouraged.
Sign up for the seminar by Friday,
August 25 by scanning the QR code,
or visit

<https://forms.gle/DVr19LKV7ntERpn8>.

Contact the church office (910-739-4336)
if you have questions.

The goal of this event is to raise awareness about mental health in our church, families, and community, and remove the stigma that is often associated with the topic. We also want to identify the resources in our area, as well as promote education around the various aspects of mental well-being. We will be welcoming Terry & Phillip Lee of the Overflow Foundation to lead our gathering, in addition to mental health professionals from our area. Breakfast & lunch will be provided. This event is free and open to all ages. Let us know if you will need childcare.

Contact Us

Please call the office to make sure someone is in
before stopping by.

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YOUTH BEACH RETREAT 2023



October 13-15
Fort Caswell
Middle & High School

GLOW



more info & registration
at cbfnc.org

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. -1 Peter 2:9

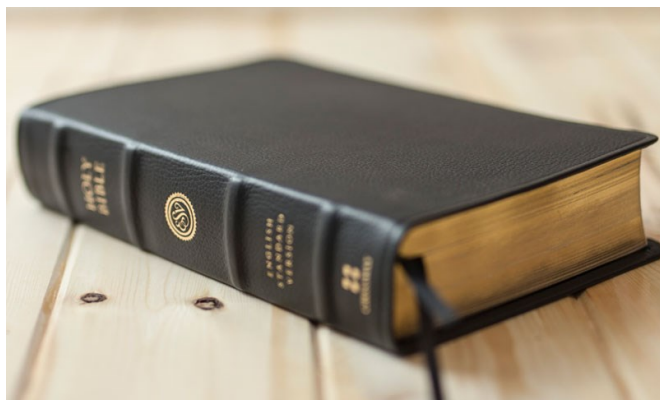
Contact Rev. Doug Reedy to sign up.

\$100.00 due Sept. 13th



For the month of August, we are inviting artists and aspiring artists to display their work in and around the fellowship hall. We want to celebrate the diverse ways we can express adoration to God, or recognize God's presence in our lives. We believe the visual arts is a special way to be able to do that. This is open to all ages, and not just folks in our church but in our larger community as well.

We look forward to highlighting these beautiful pieces as a form of worship as we celebrate Arts in August!



Children's Bible Presentation Sunday, September 10

Bibles will be presented to 1st graders during Worship on September 10th. If your child will be present and hasn't received a Bible from us yet, please contact the church office so we can have a Bible ready for them that Sunday.

DEACON NOMINATIONS

During August, Deacon Nominations will be accepted. Nominations will need to be provided to the office by August 31, 2023. A form is on the back page of this newsletter, in the Order of Worship, and in the church office.

Coming up...

Aug. 14-18 — Rev. Josh Owens on vacation

Aug. 25 — Mental Health for Today's Church Seminar sign-ups are due.

Aug. 25 — ECM Closed for Staff Development and Open House

Aug. 27 — Education Sunday

Aug. 28 — The ECM's 2023-24 year begins

Aug. 28 — Finance will meet at 5:45 pm in the Chapel. Deacons will meet at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Aug. 30 — Church Fall Kick-off. Adult Bible Study, Children's Activities, and Youth Doing Missions will resume at 6 pm!

Sept. 3 — Fellowship Class will not meet. This is also the last Sunday meeting in the Fellowship Hall for the summer.

Sept. 4 — Offices & ECM Closed for Labor Day

Sept. 5 — Baptist Women's Bible Study, 11:45 am

Sept. 9 — Mental Health for Today's Church, 9:00 am—1:00 pm, Fellowship Hall.

Sept. 10 — Children's Bible Presentation during Worship

Sept. 10 — Youth Bells (4:45 pm & Bible Study (6 pm) resume.

Sept. 11 — WMU meeting, 11:45 am, Activities Building

Sept. 12 — Youth Council Meeting

Sept. 13 — CBFNC Beach Retreat money is due.

Sept. 14 — Fun & Fellowship, 11:00 am, Activities Building

Sept. 16 — Community Café

Sept. 25 — Lunch & Learn

Sept. 25 — Finance will meet at 5:45 pm in the Chapel. Deacons will meet at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Sept. 25-29 — Deacon Election Absentee Voting in the church office, 9:00 am—2:30 pm.

Oct. 1 — Deacon Election during Called Church Conference, immediately following the conclusion of worship.

Oct. 13-15 — CBFNC Youth Beach Retreat

Oct. 23-28 — Joyful Travelers Trip to Kentucky

*Thinking
of you*

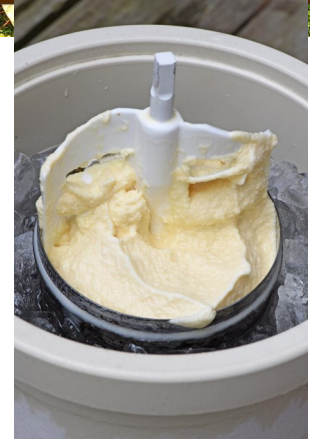
Person of the Week

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

Alan Britt
409 W. 26th Street
Lumberton, NC 28358



We are asking people to bring their favorite homemade ice cream and desserts to share. Sign up to bring ice cream at the bulletin boards or call the church office. We'll be talking about upcoming activities and events.



Starting Back in September...

Sundays

- Worship will resume meeting in the Sanctuary on Sept. 10th.
- Youth Bells will meet at 4:45 pm, followed by Bible Study at 6:00 pm on Sept. 10th.

Wednesdays

- Wednesday Night Adult Bible Study, Youth Doing Missions, and Children's Activities resume Sept. 13th starting at 6:00 p.m.
- Sanctuary Choir will rehearse at 7:00 p.m.

First Monday of the Month

WMU will meet at 11:45 am in the Activities Building starting Sept. 11th.

First Tuesday of the Month

Baptist Women's Bible Study Group will meet at 11:45 am in the Activities Building starting Sept. 5th.

First Thursday of the Month

Fun & Fellowship will meet at 11:00 am in the Activities Building starting Sept. 14th.



Save the Date!

Monday, September 25
12:00 p.m. in the Activities Building

*What's Happening AT THE ECM

PAULA LEWIS CELEBRATES 25 YEARS!!

Over the course of the last 25 years, Paula has worked mainly with three year olds. The last three years, however, she has been working in the office and was just recently named Assistant Director. She not only does administrative duties, but you can also find her in the classrooms lovingly interacting with the teachers and children on a daily basis. The ECM is grateful for Paula's commitment to our program. She is an excellent role model for everyone.



NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Our new school year is fast approaching. Our new 2 year olds will begin and children will move up to the next age group on Aug. 28th. Open House will be Aug. 25th 1 p.m.- 3 p.m.

RENOVATIONS

Our renovations are coming along nicely. We've had a few unexpected delays, but things have picked up and we're hopeful it won't be much longer!! We're EXCITED!!

Servants this Sunday

*The ECM Entrance remains closed due to repairs.
Please enter for Worship at the Fellowship Hall lobby.*

9:30 Sunday School Entrance Greeters

6th Street Ramp, 9:00—9:30 am (Handicap)
Brenda & James Britt

10:30 Worship Entrance Greeters

Fellowship Hall Lobby 10:00—11:30 am
Ann & John Underwood

Security Monitor — Alan Britt

Nursery — Ashlynn Cox, Jenna Davis

Extended Session — Pattie Ramsaur

Extended Session will meet in the curtained area
in the Fellowship Hall.

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 secure online portal — fbclumbertonnc.org/give
- Go to our website (www.fbclumbertonnc.org) to complete a draft form.
- Send us your contribution by mail:
606 N. Walnut Street, Lumberton, NC 28358
- Text FBC606 to 73256 to give using your mobile device.



Deacon Nomination

The Deacons of First Baptist serve in two major capacities: administrative and ministerial. As an administrative body, they help lead and guide our congregation. As a ministerial body, they participate in the care of our congregation through the deacon care team plan, building relationships with and offering support to our church family. Please prayerfully consider your nominations for deacon, write their names below, and return to the church no later than August 31, 2023. You may nominate as many as you would like and turn in as many nominations as you would like during the month of August. (There is no need to nominate the same person more than once.) In accordance with our bylaws, those eligible must be at least 21 years of age and resident members of First Baptist Church for at least one year.

Listed below are the names of persons elected in 2017-2022 as Deacons of this church. Do not nominate any of these persons. They are ineligible for re-election at this time.

Barbara Andrews (2026)
Allison Branch (2022)
Danny Cook (2024)
Bruce Davis (2025)
William Davis (2026)
Phyllis Gibson (2022)
Betty Graham (2024)
Donna Hardee (2022)
Drina Hedgpeth (2025)
Jerry Long (2023)

Lewis Lytch (2024)
Liz Lytch (2026)
Katherine Martin (2024)
Regg McIntyre (2023)
Malcolm McLean (2023)
Summer Pittman (2024)
Eddie Prevatte (2025)
David Ramsaur (2022)
Kenneth Sasser (2022)
Johnny Smith (2022)

Ron Smith (2023)
Jeanne Stevens (2025)
Christy Strickland (2026)
Johnny Strickland (2023)
Nancy Wagner (2024)
Heather Walters (2023)

Nominees will be reviewed for eligibility according to the bylaws of First Baptist Church. Eligible nominees will be contacted by the elections committee to assure their willingness to serve if elected. Deacon Election will take place the 1st Sunday of October 2023. You may drop off forms in the church office, fax (739-7858), e-mail (office@fbclumbertonnc.org), or mail (606 N. Walnut St., Lumberton, NC 28358) nominations.