

# First Baptist News

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



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## Coming up this week. . .

### Sunday, August 27

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Worship in Fellowship Hall
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Online

### Monday, August 28

#### *The 2023-24 School Year Begins*

- 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting (Conf. Rm.)
- 5:45 p.m. Finance Meeting (Chapel)
- 6:30 p.m. Scouts Meeting (Act. Bld.)
- 7:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

### Tuesday, August 29

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

### Wednesday, August 30

- 6:00 p.m. Church Fall Kick-off (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, August 31

*Nominations for Deacon are due to the church office.*

### Saturday, September 2

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



## Preparing for Sunday, August 27

### **“A Hard Lesson Learned” Hebrews 12:3-29 (NLT)**

**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](https://facebook.com/firstbaptistlumbertonnc)**

**or online on YouTube**

**[youtube.com/c/lumbertonfbc/](https://youtube.com/c/lumbertonfbc/)**



We'll gather in the Chapel for 10:30 am Worship on Sunday, September 3.

Worship will resume gathering in the Sanctuary on Sunday, September 10.

As teachers, administrators, and parents anxiously await the start of the 2023-24 school year, we want to take a moment during worship this Sunday to recognize them and pray for them. We'll highlight our ECM teachers, local schools, and school teachers as part of worship.




**FALL CHURCH  
KICK-OFF**

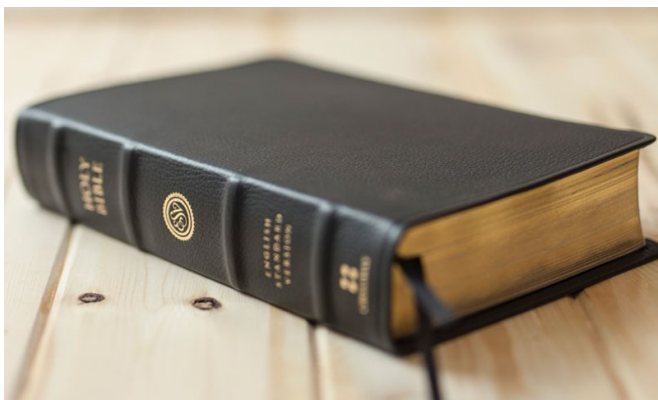
WEDNESDAY, AUG. 30  
6 PM

Bring your favorite homemade ice cream and desserts to share! We'll be talking about upcoming activities and events.

Let us know if you can bring a churn of ice cream (or a another sweet treat) by signing up at the bulletin boards, or by contacting the church office.

**NOMINATIONS FOR  
DEACON**

*Accepted in the office through  
August 31, 2023*



**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.

## Coming up...

**Sept. 3** — Fellowship Class will not meet. We will gather in the Chapel for 10:30 am Worship.

**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** — Worship will resume gathering in the Sanctuary.

**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. 2** — WMU meeting, 11:45 am, Act. Bld.

**Oct. 3** — Baptist Women's Bible Study, 11:45 am, Act. Bld.

**Oct. 12** — Fun & Fellowship, 11:00 am, Act. Bld.

**Oct. 13-15** — CBFNC Youth Beach Retreat

**Oct. 19** — PSRC's Elementary Honors Chorus

**Oct. 21** — Community Cafe

**Oct. 22** — Tentative: Friends of Jesus Sunday

**Oct. 23** — Finance will meet at 5:45 pm in the Chapel. Deacons will meet at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**Oct. 23-28** — Joyful Travelers Trip to Kentucky

**Oct. 25** — Trunk or Treat

**Oct. 29** — All Saints Sunday

## Person of the Week

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

*Thinking  
of you*

**Georgia Stamper**  
598 Forest Road  
Lumberton, NC 28358



## 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.

Office Phone: 910-739-4336

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First Sunday

## FOOD DRIVE

Your donations support community  
ministries as we provide for the needs  
of the hungry in our area.

SEPT. NEEDS

Cereal  
Peanut Butter



### ***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)  
Shirley Hickman

#### **10:30 Worship Entrance Greeters**

Fellowship Hall Lobby 10:00—11:30 am  
Tony & Becky Thompson

**Security Monitor** — Malcolm McLean

**Nursery** — Ashlynn Cox, Jenna Davis

**Extended Session** — Heather Walters

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](https://fbclumbertonnc.org/give)
- Go to our website ([www.fbclumbertonnc.org](https://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](mailto:office@fbclumbertonnc.org)), or mail (606 N. Walnut St., Lumberton, NC 28358) nominations.