

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, January 7

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Online

Monday, January 8

- 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting (Conf. Rm.)
- 11:45 a.m. WMU Meeting (Act. Bld.)
- 6:30 p.m. Scouts Meeting

Tuesday, January 9

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

Wednesday, January 10

- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study (Act. Bld.)
Youth Doing Missions
Children's Activities
- 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 11

- 11:00 a.m. Fun & Fellowship (Act. Bld.)

Friday, January 12—Tuesday, January 16

Youth Ski Trip to Canaan Valley, WV

Saturday, January 13

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

Preparing for Sunday, January 7, 2024 "Baptized for What" Acts 19:1-7 (NLT)



"Son of God" by Yongsung Kim

Join us for Sunday School at 9:30 am
and for Worship in-person at 10:30 am
in the Sanctuary
or online on Facebook Live
facebook.com/firstbaptistlumbertonnc
or online on YouTube
youtube.com/c/lumbertonfbc/



Give to First Baptist Church!

Here are some ways to donate to our ministry:

- Give during Sunday worship.
- Give through our secure online portal at fbclumbertonnc.org/give.
- Scan the QR code:
- Send us your contribution by mail:
606 N. Walnut Street,
Lumberton, NC 28358
- Text FBC606 to 73256 to give using your mobile device.



YOUTH

January Gatherings

Jan. 3 - Ski Trip money and forms are due. Valentine Banquet practices begin in the Fellowship Hall at 6 pm.

Jan. 10 - Valentine Banquet practice

Jan. 12-16 - Ski Trip

Jan. 17 - Valentine Banquet practice

Jan. 21 - Valentine Banquet practice

Jan. 24 - Valentine Banquet practice & Passport deposits (\$100) are due.

Jan. 28 - Valentine Banquet practice

Jan. 31 - Valentine Banquet practice

See Doug for more info.

For the Kids

BIRTH - 5TH GRADE

Sundays—9:30 am Sunday School

(Room D-110 for ages 4-12)

Wednesdays—6:00 pm Music & Missions

Nursery care (birth-age 2) is available Sundays & Wednesdays in Room D-107.

Sundays — Extended Session

Children age 3—K are invited to attend Extended Session after the children's sermon. We meet in Room D-111.

Children in 1st grade and older attend the full worship service. Worship bags containing books, Bibles, crayons, and quiet toys are available for those who wish to use them.



PASSPORTmissions™

JUNE 29 – JULY 5, 2024

**BEREA COLLEGE
BEREA, KENTUCKY**

Trip will include a day at Busch Gardens

**SPEND TIME IN BEAUTIFUL SURROUNDINGS
WHILE PARTICIPATING IN MISSIONS
OPPORTUNITIES!**

**COST: \$500.00
WITH \$100 DEPOSIT DUE 1/24/24**

More info: Contact Rev. Doug Reedy

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Coming Up:

Jan. 16 — Called Finance Meeting, 5:45 p.m., Chapel

Jan. 20 — Community Café (hosted at Asbury UMC)

Jan. 22 — Finance will meet at 5:45 pm in the Chapel. Deacons will meet at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Jan. 24 — Quarterly Church Conference, 6 pm

Jan. 29 — Lunch and Learn, 12:00 noon

Jan. 30 — Youth Committee Meeting, 6 pm

Feb. 5 — WMU Meeting, 11:45 am, Act. Bld.

Feb. 6 — Baptist Women's Meeting, 11:45 am, Act. Bld.

Feb. 8 — Fun & Fellowship, 11:00 am, Act. Bld.

Feb. 10 — Valentine Banquet, 5:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

Feb. 13 — Shrove Tuesday

Feb. 14 — Ash Wednesday. An Ash Wednesday Service will be held at 6:00 pm in the Chapel.

Feb. 17 — Community Café (hosted by Sanctuary Choir)

Feb. 25 — Bingo, 4 pm

Feb. 26 — Finance will meet at 5:45 pm in the Chapel. Deacons will meet at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.



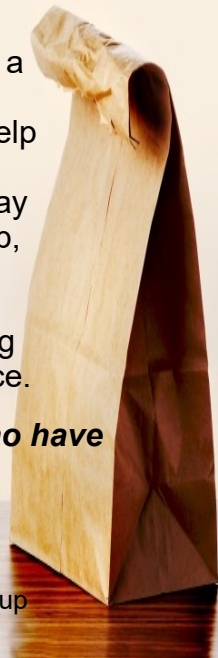
While we primarily collect canned goods on the first Sunday of each month, we will accept them any Sunday! Especially during this season, there is a great need for food. Donations are sent to Robeson County Church and Community Center and/or Lumberton Christian Care. After speaking with RCCC, they are still in need of dry goods such as cereal and peanut butter, which we have collected for them previously. Both of these items are enjoyed by all ages. Bring your donations and place them in the collection bins located around the church or bring them to the office. Thank you for helping feed the hungry of our community!

Hosts for Community Café

On the third Saturday of each month, we host Community Café. This is a program offered through downtown churches to help feed the hungry in our community. If your Sunday School class, small group, or group of friends are willing to host in 2024, please contact Rev. Doug Reedy or the church office.

Thank you to those who have already signed up!

Jan.—Asbury UMC
Feb. — Sanctuary Choir
Mar. — Fellowship Class
May — Baptist Women's Group
Nov.— Youth



Friends of Jesus Christmas Party 2023

On December 11, 2023, our Friends of Jesus Ministry held their annual Christmas party! The event included a meal supplied by the Billie Olive Kinlaw Fund and present for everyone were given by the generous gifts of our FBCL community. Our FoJ volunteers were joined by members of our youth ministry to serve the meal and help a special guest distribute gifts. A big THANK YOU to all who contributed or gave of their time to make this special event happen.



In December, our Fun and Fellowship gathering featured the sounds of the season with special interactive performances by local artists, Dr. Mary Carol Warwick, Dr. Mark Andersen, and Lynn Andersen. The presentation included songs and instructions on various instruments from different cultures. Attendees also enjoyed a wonderful meal.



Spontaneous Nativity 2023

We held our first ever Spontaneous Nativity program on Wednesday, December 20th. We made it happen with the help of some wonderful volunteers, and it was absolute bananas but it was beautifully perfect. It was a great reminder that the first Nativity was itself spontaneous, as the participants didn't plan for all the crazy that took place that night either. The night was capped off with a wonderful meal from our friends at Long Branch in honor of our church cook, Ms. Helen Lawson. Helen retired after 14 years with us at FBC. We are so grateful for all she has done and the countless lives she has touched through her talents.

Worship with Us

606 N. Walnut Street
fbclumbertonnc.org

Sundays

9:30 a.m.—Sunday School

10:30 a.m.—Worship

In-person, Facebook Live, YouTube

Wednesdays

6:00 p.m.—Adult Bible Study,
Children's Activities, Youth Doing Missions

Person of the Week

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

She had a birthday on Dec. 27th!

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

Lucy Simmons
1000 Wesley Pines Rd
Room N-190
Lumberton, NC 28358

Servants this Sunday

Please enter for Worship at the Sanctuary.

9:30 Sunday School Entrance Greeters

6th Street Ramp, 9:00—9:30 am (Handicap)

Jimmy & Billie Dail

ECM Entrance, 9:00 — 9:30 am (Handicap)

Barbara Andrews

10:30 Worship Entrance Greeters

Sanctuary Vestibule 10:00—11:30 am

Shirley Hickman

Security Monitor — *volunteer needed*

Nursery — Ashlynn Cox, Jenna Davis

Extended Session — Heather Walters

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SEEKING THE SACRED

Exploring how we determine the
holy places of our faith and practice

Wednesdays
Jan. 10-Feb. 7



Wednesday Nights

Jan. 10 — Feb. 7, 2024

Beginning Wednesday and running for the
next four meetings, Rev. Josh Owens will be
leading a series entitled "Seeking the Sacred."
This series comes out of some of the reading
and writing he has been doing for his
dissertation research, and the focus will be on
how we go about determining what has been
and what could be sacred places for our
spiritual lives. It will focus on defining the word
"sacred," how we have historically determined
places we deem sacred, and challenge us to
imagine what could serve as holy places in
our lives and church practice.