

First Baptist News

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



Preparing for Sunday, October 20, 2024
“God’s Ideal Leadership”
Mark 10: 35-45 (NLT)

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/



Coming up this week. . .

Sunday, October 20

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (in the Sanctuary)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (online)
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Haunted House Trip

October 21—25

*Senior Adult Trip to Nashville
and Surrounding Areas*

Monday, October 21

- 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting (Conf. Rm.)

Tuesday, October 22

- 7:00 a.m. Men’s Prayer Group (Zoom)

Wednesday, October 23

- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study (Rm. D-113)
Youth Doing Missions (Act. Bld.)
Children’s Missions & Music
- 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, October 26

- 3:00 p.m. Hispanic Ministry Bible Study
(Act. Bld.)



Give to First Baptist Church!

Here are some ways to donate to our ministries:

- 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.*



GIVING

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FBCL's Disaster Relief Fund

The church and congregation has been working diligently with local resource groups to collect needs specifically requested to assist the people in Western NC recover from the devastation from Hurricane Helene. We appreciate the work you have done to collect baby and feminine supplies, with the logistics involving the delivery of CBF disaster relief buckets, and other missions such as assisting in the purchase of muck boots through Robeson County Church and Community Center.

In addition to providing specific needs, we have set up a designated disaster relief fund.

The church has established a special fund for Disaster Relief. You can donate to this fund during Sunday Worship, through the mail, or online/text. Your contributions will support various disaster relief efforts in response to natural disasters.

Collected to-date = \$5,273.00




We are gearing up for our Annual Barbecue plate sale to benefit the Youth of FBC on Friday, November 22nd! For just \$10 you can get a plate which includes wood-fired BBQ, beans, slaw, bread, and dessert OR a pint of BBQ. We will begin serving at 11:00 am on the day of the sale and will conclude when we run out. Pick up your plate or pint on 6th Street curbside (no dine-in available).

Advance tickets are now available for purchase from any FBC Youth or in the church office!

BBQ for Community Café


Youth will be hosting Community Café on Nov. 23rd. This is the day after the BBQ sale, so if your Sunday School class, small group, or group of friends are willing to purchase plates for community cafe, please contact Rev. Doug Reedy or the church office.






FBCL'S DISASTER RELIEF FUND IS NOW ACCEPTING CONTRIBUTIONS

THIS FUND IS SET ASIDE TO ASSIST IN RECOVERY FOLLOWING A VARIETY OF NATURAL DISASTERS.




BY CHECK

Please write "disaster relief" in the memo line of your check. Checks are accepted in the office, during Sunday Worship, or by mail (606 N. Walnut Street, Lumberton, NC 28358)




BY TEXT

Text FBC606 to 73256 to give using your mobile device.* Select "disaster relief" from the fund list.



ONLINE GIVING

Scan the QR code with your cell phone's camera. Select "disaster relief" from the fund list.



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WMU Coat Drive

We are collecting new and gently-used men's, women's, and children's coats to donate to Robeson County Church and Community Center!

Please make your donations by November 18.



It's the time of year when the temperatures start falling and we start pulling out winter clothes. As you are going through your winter coats, if there are any you have that are in good condition that you no longer use, we invite you to donate them during WMU's coat drive. We also will accept new coats, of course! Men's, Women's, and Children's coats are all in demand at Robeson County Church and Community Center. This is an opportunity to support local missions! Contact Gail Johnson, WMU Director, if you need more information.

Coming Up:

Budget Planning Meeting TBA

Oct. 28 — Finance will meet at 5:45 pm in the Chapel. Deacons will meet at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. These meetings were moved from Oct. 21st to the 28th.

Oct. 30 — Trunk or Treat, 6 pm, 6th Street Parking Lot. The community is invited!

Nov. 3 — All Saints' Sunday & Deacon Ordination and Installation Service

Nov. 3 — Daylight Savings Time Ends

Nov. 5 — Senior Adult trip to Alabama Theatre's Christmas Show

Nov. 5 — Baptist Women's Bible Study, 11:45 am, Activities Building

Nov. 5 — Election Day

Nov. 6 — Quarterly Church Conference, 6 pm. The Committee on Committees Report and Budget will be presented for discussion.

Nov. 6 — Youth Ski Trip payment #2 due (\$100)

Nov. 10 — Budget vote following Worship during Called Church Conference

Nov. 11 — Veteran's Day

Nov. 12 — Children's Committee Meeting, 5:30

Person of the Week

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

Mary Anne Rust
1900 Windsor Run Lane
Apt SS-310
Matthews, NC 28105



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

4:45 pm — Youth Bells Rehearsal

6:00 pm — Youth Bible Study

Wednesdays

6:00 p.m.—Adult Bible Study,

Children's Activities, Youth Doing Missions

7:00 pm — Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Childcare is available on Sundays and Wednesdays. Nurse care (birth-age 2) is available in room D-107. Children age 3—K are invited to attend Extended Session after the children's sermon on Sundays in Room D-111. Children in 1st grade and older attend the full worship service.



Offering Goal
\$2,500.00

Received October-to-date
\$2,376.00



Trunk or Treat! Community Event

We are excited for our Trunk or Treat community event on Wednesday, October 30th! We anticipate the need for lots of candy and treats again this year! Our Facebook event notifications show that over 200 families have indicated they are interested in bringing their children!

Candy and treat donations may be dropped off in the office. To make Trunk or Treat shopping easier, check out our Amazon wish list to have candy and treats delivered directly to the church.

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3F5TIE03JPAGL?ref_=wl_share

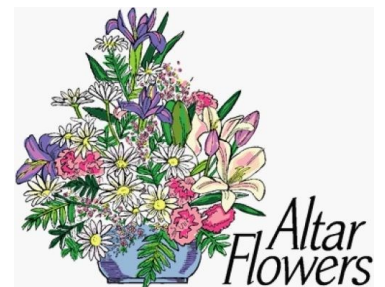
We also need people to sign-up to decorate their vehicle and/or hand out candy. Call the church office or Rev. Doug Reedy if you are willing to help (910-739-4336).



During worship Sunday, November 3rd we will observe All Saints' Sunday. We will call the names of those who have passed away over the past year as a way of honoring the impact their lives have had on the church body. Please contact the office to have your loved one added to the program.

Also on Sunday, November 3rd, we will have a service of Deacon Ordination and Installation.

If you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or in memory of a loved one, we currently have several Sundays available in 2024. Call the church office to reserve. Once your date is reserved, we encourage you to contact your florist to arrange delivery of the flowers. The florists most are using are The Secret Garden on Liberty Hill Road (910-272-0000) or Flowers by Billy (910-738-2279).



Special Emphasis

Coming up in November & December

**indicates a recent change on the church calendar.*

*November 3: All Saints Sunday & Deacon Ordination and Installation Service

November 10: Budget Vote during Called Church Conference following Worship

November 24: Christ the King Sunday
This is typically the date of the Community Thanksgiving Service as well. We will have more information about it soon!

*December 1: Hanging of the Green during 10:30 am Worship. The FOJ Class will be participating and will have their Christmas Party in the Fellowship Hall immediately following Worship.

*December 8: Church-wide Christmas Breakfast during Sunday School hour

*December 11: Children's Spontaneous Nativity Program at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall. A church-wide fellowship meal will follow.

December 14: Children's Christmas Party

December 15: Choir Cantata during 10:30 am Worship and Memorial Service at 5 pm in the Chapel

December 24: Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 5 pm in the Sanctuary

Sunday School classes will not meet
Dec. 22 and 29.

The church offices and ECM will be closed
Nov. 28-29, Dec. 24-26, Jan. 1.

Servants this Sunday

Please enter for Worship at the Sanctuary Vestibule.

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

Vestibule 10:00—11:30 am

Shirley Hickman

Nursery — Ashlynn Cox, Jenna Davis

Extended Session — Brooke Blackmon, Nancy Wagner



Give to the Children's Christmas Party & Friends of Jesus Fund!

FOJ Christmas Party Goal = \$6,000

Date of Party: December 1st

The FOJ Christmas Party will be held in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the Hanging of the Green, Dec. 1st.

Children's Christmas Party Goal = \$6,000

Date of Party: December 14th

Beginning in October each year, we work with local schools to gather names of children in need. The Youth of First Baptist then invite these children to our annual Children's Christmas Party. The Youth and their families shop for necessities and a toy on the child's wish list, then send a ham home for the whole family. We hope to spend \$200.00 per child.

Please give early and generously to help make these ministry opportunities possible!



Hanging of the Green Sunday, December 1 10:30 am Sanctuary

If you prefer, you may complete this form online. A link to the form is available in emails from the church. Contributions are accepted in cash, check, or online.

The average contribution to the greenery fund is \$20 per honorarium or memorial, but you are welcome to give any amount.

Hanging of the Green

It is time to begin collecting donations for the annual Hanging of the Green! We would like to include your honorariums and memorials in this year's program. Please complete this form and return it to the church office no later than Wednesday, November 20, 2024.

I would like to contribute \$ _____ to the Hanging of the Green Fund.

Please print names as they should appear in the program.

In memory of: _____

And/or
In honor of: _____

Given by: _____

Phone: _____

December 1 is the first Sunday in Advent this year, which marks the start of the spiritual period of preparation for the celebration of Jesus' birth on Christmas Day.

During Hanging of the Green, Children, Youth, their Families, and the Friends of Jesus will help decorate the Sanctuary. The tree is decorated in chrismons.

"Chrismon" is a combination of the words "Christ" and "monogram," and means "symbols of Christ." Chrismons are gold and white, representing majesty and purity. So, the primarily colors used are green, gold, and white.



Contact Us

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

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Rev. Tim Little invites you to consider joining Sanctuary Choir and/or Worship Ensemble! Sanctuary Choir rehearses on Wednesdays at 7 pm in the choir room. Other rehearsals, called Bonus Rehearsals, are scheduled as needed to prepare for Choir Specials. Contact Rev. Little for more information.

