

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

Nursery—Room D-107 (former TEL/Ladies' Fellowship Class)
 Children's Sunday School Class (ages 4-12) — Room D-110
 Youth Sunday School Class —
 Youth Sunday School Hall, Room 203
 Young Adults — Room D-209
 Bridge Sunday School Class — Room D-202
 Circle of Friends Class — Pastor's Study (outside Parlor)
 Collins Class — Conference Room
 Susan Welsh Class — Room D-113
 Fellowship Class — Chapel & Zoom
 Friends of Jesus Class — Activities Building

For Children During Worship

Nursery care is available for birth—age 2. Nursery will meet in Room D-107. Children age 3—K are invited to attend Extended Session after the children's sermon. Extended Session will meet in Room D-111. Children in 1st grade and older are encouraged to attend the full worship service. Worship bags are available for those who wish to use them.



Restrooms

Ladies restrooms are located outside of the organ-side of the Sanctuary. A family/handicap accessible restroom with an infant changing table is located outside of the piano-side of the Sanctuary.

Contact Us

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Rev. Tim Little — Minister of Music and Facilities
 Rev. Josh Owens — Senior Pastor
 Mr. Len Power — Building Superintendent
 Mrs. Kandace Ramsey — Administrative Assistant
 Rev. Doug Reedy — Associate Pastor of Youth, Young Adults and Missions

Servants this Sunday

Please enter at the Sanctuary vestibule for Worship.

9:30 Sunday School — Entrance Greeters 9:00-9:30 am
 6th Street Ramp (Handicap) — J.W. & Angie Lawson
 ECM Entrance (Handicap) — Dianne & Layton Britt

10:30 Worship — Entrance Greeters 10:00-11:30 am
 Vestibule — Gene Horne

Nursery — Ashlynn Cox, Jenna Davis

Extended Session — Brooke Blackmon, Heather Walters

This Week at FBC

Sunday, December 29

10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
 10:30 a.m. Worship Online (Facebook Live & YouTube)

Monday, December 30

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

Tuesday, December 31

Contributions for 2024 must be received by Dec. 31st.
 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group (Zoom)

Wednesday, January 1

Happy New Year!
The offices and Early Childhood Ministry closed

Saturday, January 4

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

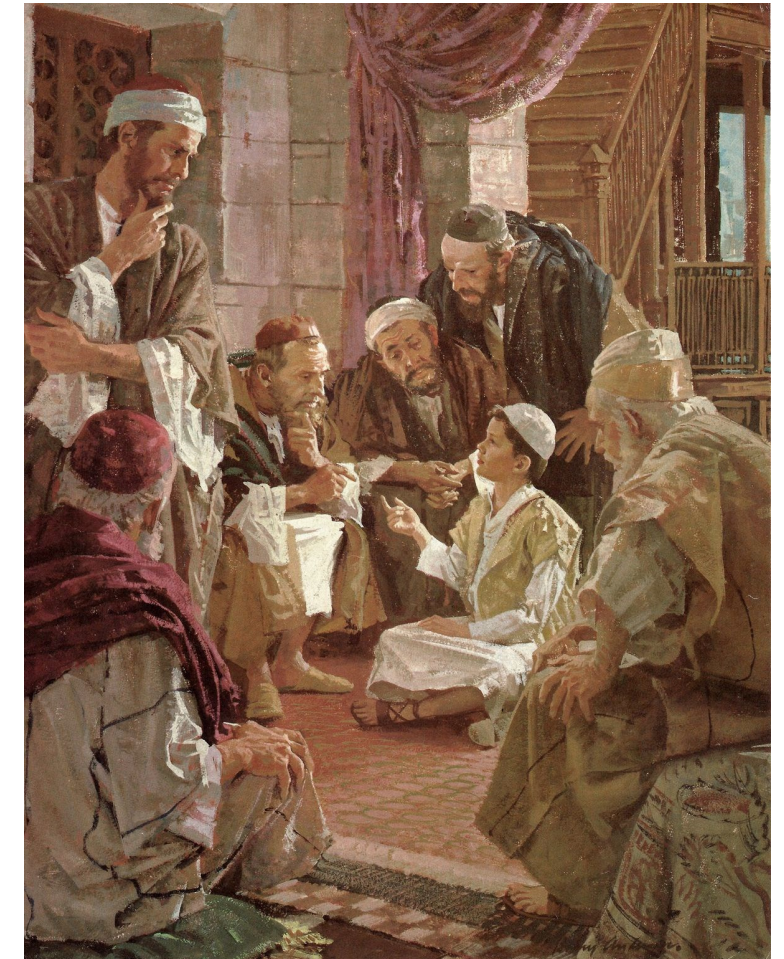
Coming Up...

Jan. 6 — The Senior Adult Committee will meet at 2:00 pm in the Conference Room.
Jan. 7 — Baptist Women's Bible Study will meet at 11:45 am in the Activities Building. The Children's Committee will meet at 5:30 pm.
Jan. 8 — Youth Ski Trip balance is due.
Jan. 9 — Fun & Fellowship will meet at 11:00 am in the Activities Building.
Jan. 11 — Lower Cape Fear Hospice Volunteer Training will take place at 9:00 am in the Activities Building. All are invited to attend.
Jan. 14 — Youth Committee Meeting at 6 pm
Jan. 17-21 — Youth Ski Trip
Jan. 18 — Community Café, hosted by the Fellowship Class
Jan. 20 — WMU will meet at 11:45 am in the Activities Building. Kandace will be out of the office.
Jan. 22 — Quarterly Church Conference, 6:00 pm
Jan. 27 — Finance will meet at 5:45 pm in the Chapel. Deacons will meet at 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall. ECM Registration for the 25-26 school year begins for currently enrolled families.

If you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or in memory of a loved one, we currently have most Sundays available in 2025. 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).



Deacon Ordination and Installation



"Young Jesus in the Temple" by Harry Anderson

December 29, 2024

First Baptist Church
7th & Walnut, Lumberton, NC

a community of faith

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

The Worship of God

Sunday, December 29, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.
First Baptist Sanctuary

Gathering MusicBetty Hubbard

Announcements Rev. Doug Reedy

Call to Worship.....Rev. Reedy

Leader: Children of God, Jesus Christ is born!

People: God has come to make a home among us!

Leader: Yet the story is not over. After birth comes the ordinary and mundane growing, maturing, and discovering, even for the Christ Child.

People: In the ordinary and mundane, God has come to make a home among us.

Leader: And sometimes, in the midst of the everyday, something surprising happens, and we discover anew just what God is up to in our midst.

People: In the surprising and spectacular, God has come to make a home among us.

Leader: Children of God, let us worship the God who dwells with us in all things and all seasons.

People: We come to make our home with God who makes a home among us. AMEN.

Hymn of Praise, No. 198*Congregation

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

IN DULCI JUBILO

**Children are invited to come forward during the last stanza.*

Time with the ChildrenRev. Tim Little

Scripture Reading Rev. Josh Owens

Philippians 2:5-11 (NLT)

Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer.....Rev. Owens

**Our Father, Who art in heaven,
hallowed by Thy name.**

Thy Will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

As we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power,

and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offertory Hymn, No. 221Congregation

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

ZLOBIE LEZY

Offertory Prayer.....Rev. Little

Worship through Giving.....Congregation

DoxologyCongregation

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

Praise Him, all creatures here below,

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Anthem

Gospel LessonRev. Owens

Luke 2:41-52 (NLT)

Homily and Faith Story Sandra Cox

Ordination and Installation of Deacon

Laying on of Hands

All are welcome to offer a word of blessing or encouragement over the Deacon.

Diaconate Commitment and Blessing

Leader: Every Christian is called to follow Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit. As deacons, God now calls you to a special ministry of servanthood within the church. It will be your task to proclaim by word and deed the Gospel of Jesus Christ. You are to love and serve the people of this fellowship, caring alike for the young and old, strong and weak, rich and poor. Do you believe that you are truly called by God and this church to the life and work of a deacon?

Deacon: With the Lord as my guide, I do.

Leader: Will you be faithful in prayer, in the reading and study of the Scriptures, in stewardship of spiritual and material goods, in seeking the will of God for the church, and in promoting the unity of Christ's body?

Deacon: With the Lord as my guide, I will.

Leader: Will you undertake to be a faithful servant to this community, working together with them to build up the kingdom of God?

Deacon: With the Lord as my guide, I will.

Leader: Will you have a loving concern for all people and give yourself to minister impartially to them?

Deacon: With the Lord as my guide, I will.

Leader: May the Lord who has given you the will to do these things give you the grace and power to fulfill them.

Congregational Prayer of Blessing

**Holy God, we pray your blessing upon these who have been called to serve and lead in our church.
We ask you to grant them wisdom and sound decisions,
grace for challenging moments,
love for empowered leadership,
and to fill them with your spirit so that they may serve this church and community with faithful hearts.
May you be glorified by their efforts and the impacts through our church.
AMEN.**

Hymn of Commitment, No. 184.....Congregation

What Child is This

GREENSLEEVES

Benediction Rev. Owens

PostludeBetty Hubbard

Contributions for the 2024 year must be post-marked or received by Tuesday, December 31.

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.*



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*Messages and data rates may apply. Message frequency varies. Text HELP to 73256 for help. Text STOP to 73256 to cancel.