

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, January 26, 2025
 Psalm 19 (NLT)
 “Getting Into the Word”

Join us for Sunday School at 9:30
 and 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, January 26

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (in the Sanctuary)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (online)
- 1:00 p.m. Youth Valentine Banquet Practice
- 3:00 p.m. Sanctuary/HVAC Task Force Meeting (Act. Bld.)

Youth Passport Payment #2 is due.

Monday, January 27

- 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting (Conf. Rm.)
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch & Learn (Act. Bld.)
- 5:45 p.m. Finance Meeting (Chapel)
- 7:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, January 28

- 7:00 a.m. Men’s Prayer Group (Zoom)

Wednesday, January 29

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

Saturday, February 1

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

Snr. Ad. Trip to Elvis Show, Myrtle Beach

Sanctuary/HVAC Task Force Meeting Sunday, January 26, 2025 3:00 pm in the Activities Building

The Board of Deacons voted to request that members of the church’s Deacons, Finance, Building & Grounds, and Endowment committees come together in the beginning of 2025 to begin the work of having conversations around ways to address the HVAC issues of the sanctuary. The hope is that by bringing these various groups together who would each play a role in a future decision, it could streamline the conversations and process of deciding the desired path forward to propose to the full congregation. This first meeting is just informational on where we are at and establishing consensus on how we want this group to discern a path forward. If you are part of the committees invited to this meeting, you should have already received an email with more information. If you have not, please reach out to Rev. Josh Owens or to the Deacons.



Youth Key Dates

Contact Rev. Doug Reedy for more information about Youth Activities.

Valentine Banquet is Feb. 8th!
Practice dates: Sunday, Jan. 26 at 1 pm,
Wednesday, Jan. 29 at 6 pm,
Sunday, Feb. 2 at 6 pm,
Dress rehearsal will be Wed., Feb. 5 at 6 pm.
All will take place in the Fellowship Hall.

Sunday Night Youth Activities resume Feb. 23rd!
Bells rehearsal starts at 4:45 pm and Bible Study starts in the Activities Building at 6 pm.

Youth Sunday is April 6th!

Friends of Jesus Valentine's Party

February 9 | Sunday
11:30 a.m.
Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church
Friends of Jesus Sunday School will meet at 10:30 am on Feb. 9.

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The Friends of Jesus Ministry will host their annual Valentine's Party on Sunday, February 9th at 11:30 am in the

Fellowship Hall. We are seeking volunteers to help during the party, specifically for serving the meal. If you are willing to help, please contact Hoss and Judith Watts or the church office.

The class will meet for Sunday School at 10:30 am on that date as well. This is a change from their usual meeting time.

Coming up in Children's Ministry

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Contact Alli Branch or Summer Pittman for more details about upcoming events being planned for Children this year. Save the date for the following Children's events:

April 13, Palm Sunday: Children will wave palms during 10:30 am Worship

May 18 is Children's Sunday!

June 14 VBS 9:00 am—12:00 pm

Plus several fun summer activities are being planned and will be announced once more information is available.



For Senior/Retired Adults

Contact the Senior Adult Committee or Phyllis Gibson for more information about upcoming events and missions projects. The date for Senior Adult Sunday will be announced, but is usually held in September. Our Seniors are invited to lead in elements of Worship and to preach. Contact Rev. Josh Owens if you are led to participate.

Coming Up:

- Feb. 2** — Communion
Feb. 2 — Youth Valentine Banquet Rehearsal in the Fellowship Hall at 6 pm
Feb. 4 — Baptist Women's Bible Study, 11:45 am, Act. Bld.
Feb. 8 — Valentine Banquet, 6:00 pm, Fellowship Hall. Tickets are now available!
Feb. 9 — Friends of Jesus Valentine Party, 11:30 am, Fellowship Hall. *Volunteers needed to help serve the meal.*
Feb. 13 — Fun & Fellowship, 11:00 am, Act. Bld.
Feb. 15 — Community Café hosted by Sanctuary Choir, Act. Bld.
Feb. 17 — WMU, 11:45 am, Act. Bld.
Feb. 17 — Worship Committee Meeting, 6 pm
Feb. 18 — Youth Council, 4:30 pm
Feb. 23 — Youth Bells rehearsal resumes meeting at 4:45 pm with Youth Bible Study at 6 pm.
Feb. 23 — Youth Passport Payment #3 due
Feb. 24 — Finance will meet at 5:45 pm in the Chapel. Deacons will meet at 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
March 4 — Baptist Women's Bible Study, 11:45 am, Activities Building
March 5 — Ash Wednesday
March 6-7 — PSRC All-County Chorus

Contact Us

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

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TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW! DON'T DELAY!

The Youth of FBCL are excited to invite you to their annual Valentine Banquet on Saturday, February 8th at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall. This is a church-wide event. The theme for this year is "Once Upon a Time: Myths and Legends." A delicious meal will be served.

To attend, you will need to buy a ticket for \$10 each at the church office. There are only a limited number of tickets, so make sure to get yours soon! Due to the limited nature of tickets, we cannot hold a space until you pay for your ticket.

Meeting Monday, January 27

Finance Committee will meet at 5:45 pm in the Chapel.

Deacons will meet at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
Deacons will receive 2025 Deacon Care Team lists.

Worship with Us

606 N. Walnut Street
fbclumbertonnc.org

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.

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

THE EPISTLE OF JUDE: CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

Adult Bible study series through the Epistle of Jude

WEDNESDAYS AT 6 PM
THIS JANUARY



Our next Adult Bible Study gathering as we work through the Epistle of Jude is January 29th. The focus of this study will be on the letter's call to live out authentic faith in opposition to false teachers who want to use the faith for their own ends.



We will observe the Ordination of Communion on Sunday, February 2 during 10:30 am Worship.

Looking ahead...

March 5 is Ash Wednesday!

Tentative Service Schedule:

7:15 am - Imposition of Ashes
(ashes only - no service)

6:00 pm - Ash Wednesday Service
Both held in the Chapel

Ashes from the palms used during Palm Sunday are applied in the shape of the cross on the forehead of each Worshiper as a reminder to repent and reflect. Children and Youth are invited to attend the service at 6 pm in lieu of regular children's and Youth activities.

COLLEGE

SKI TRIP



WHEN • MARCH 10-12, 2025
WHERE • SUGAR MTN OR BEECH MTN
COST • \$100

CONTACT REV. DOUG REEDY FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER



**FIRST BAPTIST ECM
REGISTRATION**

**25-26
YEAR**

Jan. 27: In-house Registration
 Feb. 3: Church members Not Currently Enrolled May Register
 Feb. 4: Open Registration Begins Until Spaces Filled!

Contact Michelle Prevatte, Director, at 910-738-6608

Early Childhood Ministry announces 2025-26 Registration

The 2025-26 year will begin in late August based on PSRC's calendar. For more information about our program by visiting <https://fbclumbertonnc.org/ecm-daycare> or contact the Director.

Jan. 27-31 for currently-enrolled families,
 Feb. 3 for FBC members not currently enrolled,
 Feb. 4 opens to the public.

NC PreK applications for qualifying 4-year-olds are accepted at Robeson County Partnership for Children (738-6767). The ECM will be available to assist you in applying as well! For more information about NC PreK, visit <https://www.robesonpartnership.org/nc-pre-k-2/>.

Contact Michelle Prevatte, ECM Director, to inquire about openings: 910-738-6608 or michelleprevatte@fbclumbertonnc.org

Servants this Sunday
 Please enter for Worship at the Sanctuary Vestibule.

9:30 Sunday School
 Entrance Greeters 9:00 – 9:30 am
 6th Street Ramp (Handicap) - Jimmy & Billy Dail
 ECM Entrance (Handicap) - Barbara Andrews

10:30 Worship Entrance Greeters
 Vestibule 10:00—11:30 am
 Shirley Hickman

Nursery — Jenna Davis, Brooke Blackmon
Extended Session — Brooke Blackmon, Kim Gore

TRAVEL WITH US!
 SENIOR/RETIRED ADULT
 PIGEON FORGE
 AND SMOKY MTNS SHOW TRIP

April 28 - May 2, 2025

We have some spaces still remaining for the Senior Adult Trip to Pigeon Forge! The total trip cost is \$760 per person based on double room occupancy. For a list of everything included, a sample itinerary is available in the church office. Contact Phyllis Gibson at 910-734-3553 or the church office at 910-739-4336 for more information.

Miyako Boats
Elvis Festival
 "ELVIS Raised on Rock"
 Saturday, Feb. 1
 2 pm Showtime
 Tickets \$65

We currently have a waiting list, but please contact us to be placed on the list in case someone cannot attend.

Person of the Week

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

Thinking of you

Elouise Bullock
c/o Liberty Commons
1402 Pickney Street, Room 102
Whiteville, NC 28472

Give to First Baptist Church!

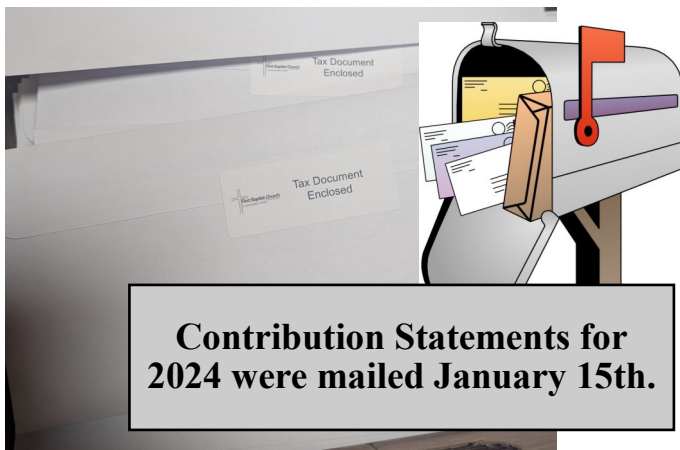
Here are some ways to donate to our ministries:

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

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



GIVING



Contribution Statements for 2024 were mailed January 15th.

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LUNCH & LEARN

MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2025
12:00 NOON
ACTIVITIES BUILDING

First Baptist Church
606 N. Walnut Street
Lumberton, NC 28358

TOMMY CREWS FROM LAGRANGE, NC WILL BE SHARING HIS ENCOUNTERS AND PERSPECTIVE OF HIKING THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL.

SIGN UP BY JAN. 22ND
910-739-4336

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North Carolina

SERVING TOGETHER

"...Through love serve one another." - Galatians 5:13

March 27-28, 2025
Pritchard Church, Charlotte

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).

