

First Baptist News

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



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

Preparing for Sunday, February 2, 2025
Luke 2:22-40 (NLT)
“Holy Expectations”

Join us for Sunday School at 9:30 am
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, February 2

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (in the Sanctuary)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (online)
- 5:00 p.m. Youth Valentine Banquet Practice

Monday, February 3

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

Tuesday, February 4

- 7:00 a.m. Men’s Prayer Group (Zoom)
- 11:45 a.m. Baptist Women’s Bible Study (Act. Bld.)
- 6:00 p.m. Missions Committee Meeting

Wednesday, February 5

- 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 8

- 3:00 p.m. Hispanic Ministry Bible Study (Act. Bld.)
- 6:00 p.m. Valentine Banquet (Fellowship Hall)



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.



Youth Key Dates

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

Valentine Banquet is Feb. 8th!
Practice Sunday, Feb. 2 at 5 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!



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.

Wednesday night children's activities (missions & music) start at 6 pm. Nursery care is also available.



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.



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.

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).

Coming Up:

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. 23 — Juniors will be using the Activities Building 2-4 pm for a Galentine's Party

Feb. 23 — Youth Bells resume meeting at 4:45 pm. Youth Bible Study resumes at 6:00 pm in the Activities Building.

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

March 10-12 — College Ski Trip

March 13 — Fun & Fellowship, 11 am, Act. Bld.

March 15 — Community Café, hosted by Missions Committee

Contact Us

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

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COLLEGE

SKI TRIP

 First Baptist Church
a community of faith

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

CONTACT REV. DOUG REEDY FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER



Online registration & payment option available — scan the QR code!

Join us for an incredible College Ski Trip happening from March 10th to 12th, 2025! We will be going to Beech Mountain or Sugar Mountain for this amazing adventure. The cost is only \$100, so come and experience the thrill of hitting the slopes with us! **Payment is due Sunday, Feb. 2nd.** Contact Rev. Doug Reedy for more information and to sign-up.

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.

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



Wednesday, January 22, 2025
Snow Day!



We at First Baptist Church have an online community where we can connect with each other outside our Sunday gatherings. We'd love for you to take part! This is an invitation to join ACS Realm, which is a web-based program that you can access on your computer, phone, or tablet. Our hope is that this will be a helpful tool for each of us.

Some helpful features:

- Update your own demographics, such as address and phone number, and upload a photo so people can put a face with a name;
- Online giving & view your giving history;
- Register & pay for trips;
- Access our online directory!

Create an account:

<https://onrealm.org/FirstBaptistChu67135>

On your smartphone, you may download the Realm Connect app. Use the code FirstBaptistChu67135 when creating an account.

If you have questions about this program, please contact Kandace at 910-739-4336 or kandaceramsey@fbclumbertonnc.org.



What is 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.

Thank you to those who have already signed up to host in 2025!

Feb. 15 — Sanctuary Choir
March 15 — Missions Committee
April 19 — Susan Welsh Sunday School
May 17 — HOST NEEDED
June 21 — Young Adult Sunday School
July 19 — HOST NEEDED
Aug. 16 — HOST NEEDED
Sept. 20 — at Asbury UMC
Oct. 18 — Collins Sunday School
Nov. 15 — Youth
Dec. 20 — Bridge Sunday School



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

Recently, our WMU group (Women's Missionary Union) gathered for their monthly meeting. They sewed pillows designed to be used to assist breast cancer patients in their recovery from surgeries and procedures. These pillows will be given to doctors at Gibson Cancer Center who will share them with patients and doctors both locally and at Duke.



Next WMU meeting is Feb. 17th at 11:45 in the Activities Building

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) - Ann & John Underwood

ECM Entrance (Handicap) - J.W. & Angie Lawson

10:30 Worship Entrance Greeters

Vestibule 10:00—11:30 am

Dianne & Layton Britt

Nursery — Jenna Davis, Brooke Blackmon

Extended Session — Brooke Blackmon, Nancy Wagner

Person of the Week

Send a card, letter, or other remembrance to our very special person this week. She has a birthday coming up January 31st!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Mildred Kinlaw

1000 Wesley Pines Road, A-124
Lumberton, NC 28358



Annual Gathering 2025

SERVING TOGETHER

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

March 27-28, 2025

Pritchard Church, Charlotte



Contribution Statements for 2024 were mailed January 15th.

Explore Branson & surrounding areas



Price
\$1425
/Person
Double Rm



Package Includes

- ✓ All Meals
- ✓ 6 Nights Lodging
- ✓ Show Tickets
- ✓ St. Louis Arch Ride
- ✓ Mississippi River Cruise

A sample itinerary is available in the church office. Cost per person is based on double room occupancy. We need at least 40 people to make the trip possible. Check or cash payment is accepted.

\$100 deposit due to sign up

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Contact
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Dear Senior/Retired Adults, We are thrilled to extend an invitation for you to join us on a delightful trip to Branson, Missouri and its charming surrounding areas from September 7-13, 2025. This trip is not your usual travel agency affair; instead, we have partnered with the reliable Southern Express Bus Company, and your friendly driver will be Dustin Robinson. During this exciting journey, you can look forward to enjoying all meals, six nights of comfortable lodging, show admissions, a thrilling ride to the top of the Arch in St. Louis, and a relaxing Mississippi River cruise. The entire package comes at a cost of \$1425 per person based on double occupancy. If you prefer your own room, you can do so by adding \$395 to the total. To ensure this trip becomes a reality, we are aiming for a minimum of 40 enthusiastic participants. To secure your spot, a \$100 deposit is required at the time of sign-up. We gladly accept both check and cash payments. Should you have any inquiries or need further information, please feel free to reach out to Phyllis Gibson at 910-734-3553. We can't wait to embark on this memorable journey with you!

Can't make it our services in-person? We stream most of our services on Facebook Live and on YouTube!

Scan the QR code to the right with your cell phone camera to access our social media pages, YouTube Channel, and our website.



To be added to our email list, contact Kandace (kandaceramsey@fbclumbertonnc.org).

FIRST BAPTIST ECM

Our experienced staff is passionate about creating a warm and nurturing environment where children can grow, learn, and thrive.

Program Features

- Early education
- Play-based learning
- Nutritious meals
- Outdoor play

REGISTRATION FOR NEW SCHOOL YEAR (AUGUST)
TUESDAY, FEB. 4TH
\$115 NON-REFUNDABLE REG. FEE
(CASH/CHECK)

For more information, please contact us at **910-738-6608**

Currently enrolled children may re-enroll Jan. 27-31.
First Baptist Church members may register Monday, Feb. 3rd.