

# 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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*"The Importunate Neighbor" by William Holman Hunt, 1895*

Preparing for Sunday, July 27, 2025  
Luke 11:1-13 (NLT)

**"The Process & Presence of Prayer"**

Join us for Sunday School at 9:30 am  
and Worship in-person at 10:30 am  
in Cherry Fellowship Hall  
or online on Facebook Live

[facebook.com/firstbaptistlumbertonnc](https://facebook.com/firstbaptistlumbertonnc)

or online on YouTube

[youtube.com/c/lumbertonfbc/](https://youtube.com/c/lumbertonfbc/)

## *Coming up this week...*

### **Youth Music Retreat July 26-31**

#### **Sunday, July 27**

9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship (in Cherry Fellowship Hall)  
10:30 a.m. Worship (online)

#### **Tuesday, July 29**

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

#### **Wednesday, July 30**

5:00 p.m. Endowment Committee Meeting  
6:00 p.m. Quarterly Church Conference  
(Room D-113)  
6:30 p.m. Meet 'n Eat at Blake's Ice  
Cream Parlor

#### **Thursday, July 31**

9:00 a.m. Bible Study (219 Elm)

*During the month of August, nominations for  
Deacon will be accepted. Look up a form in  
coming editions of First Baptist News.*

#### **Saturday, August 2**

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

### ***Please plan to attend this important meeting:***

1. We'll review financial statements,
2. We'll vote to adopt the proposed changes to the Bylaws,
3. The Nominating Committee Report for the 2025-26 year will be presented.

Following church conference, we'll head over to  
Blake's Ice Cream Parlor!

## **QUARTERLY CHURCH CONFERENCE**

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 30, 2025**

**6 PM**

**ROOM D-113**



### *Coming Up:*

**Nominations for Deacon accepted August 1-31.**

**Wednesdays in August at 6 pm — Sacred Strolls**

**Aug. 3** — Bus transportation begins at Wesley Pines

**Aug. 5** — Youth Council meeting, 2 pm

**Aug. 5** — Missions Committee meeting, 6:15 pm

**Aug. 16** — Community Café, hosted by Children's Committee

**Aug. 19** — Partnership for Children using the Fellowship Hall for PreK training, 8 am-3:30 pm

**Aug. 19** — Youth Committee Meeting, 6 pm

**Aug. 22** — ECM closed to students (teacher workday)

**Aug. 24** — Education Sunday

**Aug. 25** — ECM's 2025-26 School year begins

**Aug. 25** — Finance will meet at 5:45 pm in the Chapel. Deacons will meet at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**Aug. 25-29** — Kandace on vacation

**Aug. 28-Sept. 7** — Len on vacation

**Sept. 1** — ECM & office closed for Labor Day

**Sept. 2** — Baptist Women's Bible Study resumes meeting, 11:45 am, Activities Building.

**Sept. 3** — Fall Kick-off

**Sept. 7-13** — Snr. Ad. Trip to Branson

**Sept. 10** — Wednesday Nights resume meeting at 6 pm

**Sept. 11** — Fun & Fellowship resumes meeting, 11 am, Activities Building

**Sept. 11** — Together for Hope event in Fellowship Hall

**Sept. 15** — WMU resumes meeting, 11:45 am, Activities Building.

**Sept 20** — Community Café hosted at Asbury Methodist (Chip & Nancy Bass)

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

**Sept. 25** — Newsletter will include Deacon Nominee Biographical information and Election information.

**Sept. 28** — Senior Adult Sunday

**Sept. 29-Oct. 2** — Deacon Election absentee voting

**Oct. 5** — World Communion Sunday & Deacon Election



Starting August 3rd, our church bus will begin picking up residents at Wesley Pines for Sunday worship! We're so thankful for the volunteers who are already taking time to get familiar with the bus — driving it, practicing with the lift, and preparing to serve safely and confidently.

A drivers schedule for August 2025 through January 2026 was recently mailed to our volunteers.

We'd love for more of our drivers and volunteers to stop by the office to get comfortable with the vehicle. Contact the office to schedule a time to hop on board and learn the ropes! A good opportunity to come practice with people on board the bus is Wednesday, July 30th following the church conference as we head over to get ice cream at Blake's Ice Cream Parlor. Contact Rev. Josh Owens or Rev. Doug Reedy for more information.







## Sacred Strolls

Wednesdays in August at 6 pm

### Save the Date!

Join us for **Sacred Strolls** — a time of reflection, prayer, and connection as we walk through parts of Lumberton together on Wednesdays in August at 6:00 pm. Look for more information in the next edition of *First Baptist News*.

## DEACON NOMINATIONS ACCEPTED AUG. 1-31, 2025

Prayerfully consider your nominations for deacon and complete a nomination form no later than August 31, 2025.

Forms are available in the church office and in church publications.



**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 these 2025 hosts:

Aug. 16 — Children's Committee  
Sept. 20 — at Asbury UMC  
Oct. 18 — Collins Sunday School  
Nov. 15 — Youth  
Dec. 20 — Bridge Sunday School

## Worship with Us

606 N. Walnut Street  
[fbclumbertonnc.org](http://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.*

## SUMMER SCHEDULE 2025

### Sundays — Worship in Cherry Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m.—Sunday School

10:30 a.m.—Worship

*In-person, Facebook Live, YouTube*

**Wednesday Night Gatherings will resume September 10.**

**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

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## Contact Us

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### Senior/Retired Adults:

We have a few trips coming up and would love for you attend them with us.

### Northwood Temple's Dinner Theatre

Saturday, October 4

12:15 buffet lunch, 1:15 showtime

\$35 per ticket

### Caswell Fall Retreat 2025

October 27-29, 2025

Cost is \$180.00

### Alabama Theatre's Christmas Show

Tuesday, November 4

Cost is \$70. Supper will be at Chesapeake House. Trip is full, but let us know if you are interested in going in case someone cannot.

### Gaither Family Fest 2026

May 22-24, 2026 in Gatlinburg, TN

The cost is \$475.00 (\$50 deposit)

If you'd like to join or want more information, please contact the office or Phyllis Gibson as soon as possible.

### Person of the Week

Send a card, letter, or other remembrance to our very special person this week. He has a birthday coming up July 25th!

H.J. Edwards

1801 N. Chestnut Street  
Lumberton, NC 28358

Happy Birthday

### Servants this Sunday

Please enter for Worship at Cherry Fellowship Hall Lobby.

### 9:30 Sunday School

Entrance Greeters 9:00 – 9:30 am

6th Street Ramp (Handicap) - Barbara Andrews

ECM Entrance (Handicap) - Shirley Hickman

### 10:30 Worship Entrance Greeters

FH Lobby 10:00—11:30 am

Brenda & James Britt

Nursery — Jenna Davis, Brooke Blackmon

Extended Session — Brooke Blackmon, Christy Strickland



WHERE EVERY CHILD'S JOURNEY BEGINS!

#### OUR OFFERINGS:

Full Time Child  
Care & NC PreK

#### LOCATION

606 N. Walnut St.  
Lumberton, NC

#### CONTACT US

910-738-6608  
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Still accepting applications for our 2025-2026 school year for 2's, 3's, 4's and NC PreK (spaces are limited)

WE OFFER A RESEARCH-BASED CURRICULUM ALIGNED WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA FOUNDATIONS OF EARLY LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT

If you have a Kindergartener that will attend Tanglewood this school year, we are beginning a waiting list for after-school care. Please call if interested.

### 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](https://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.\*

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



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*Summer at*

# FIRST BAPTIST

## AUG 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
3  Wesley Pines Bus Pick-up Begins 10 am	4	5 Youth Council 2 pm  Missions Committee Meeting 6:15 pm	6  Sacred Stroll 6 pm	7	8	9
10	11	12	13  Sacred Stroll 6 pm	14	15	16  Community Café hosted by Children's Committee
17	18	19 PreK Training in Fellowship Hall  Youth Committee Meeting 6 pm	20  Sacred Stroll 6 pm	21	22  ECM Closed for Teacher Work Day	23
24  Education Sunday Emphasis	25 ECM 2025-26 Year begins  Finance 5:45 pm Deacons 7 pm	26	27  Sacred Stroll 6 pm	28	29	30
31  Last Day for Deacon Nominations	1  HAPPY LABOR DAY Church & ECM Closed	2  Baptist Women's Bible Study 11:45 am	3 FALL KICK-OFF  Wednesday Night Activities Resume Sept 10 at 6 pm	4	5	6

*Sundays*  
*9:30 am Sunday School*  
*10:30 am Worship*  
*in Fellowship Hall*



# Upcoming



AUGUST - DECEMBER 2025

**AUG**  
**3**

## WESLEY PINES BUS

Transportation to church from Wesley Pines. Pick up time is 10 am.

**NOV**  
**2**

## ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

A time of remembrance of members who passed this year

**AUG**  
**24**

## EDUCATION SUNDAY

Prayer for Educators for the start of the school year

**NOV**  
**22**

## BBQ SALE

Support the Youth by purchasing a plate or a pint of BBQ

**SEPT**  
**3**

## FALL KICK OFF

We'll gather together to enjoy homemade ice cream to kick off the 25-26 year.

**NOV**  
**23**

## CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

Worship will be in the Fellowship Hall

**SEPT**  
**10**

## WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

6 pm: Adult Bible Study, Youth Doing Missions, Children's Activities Resume



**SEPT**  
**28**

## SENIOR ADULT SUNDAY

Our Senior Adults will lead elements of Worship

**NOV**  
**30**

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

HANGING OF THE GREEN DURING 10:30 WORSHIP

**OCT**  
**5**

## WORLD COMMUNION & DEACON ELECTION

WORSHIP SERVICE BACK IN SANCTUARY

**ADVENT**

FULL LIST OF ADVENT SERVICES TO BE ANNOUNCED

**OCT**  
**12**

## FRIENDS OF JESUS SUNDAY

Our FOJ Ministry will lead elements of Worship

**OCT**  
**29**

## TRUNK OR TREAT

Save the date for this community outreach event!

## ADVENT CELEBRATIONS INCLUDE:

- Christmas Breakfast & FOJ Class
- Singing Carols
- Children's Christmas Party
- FOJ Christmas Party
- Children's Spontaneous Nativity
- Sanctuary Choir Cantata
- Memorial Service (Longest Night)
- Christmas Eve Candlelight Service