

# First Baptist News

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



SCAN ME



Preparing for Sunday,  
September 21, 2025  
"Mixed Hallelujahs"  
Psalm 113 (NLT)

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/)

Stay in touch by signing up for  
church emails and text messages!

**Text "JOIN" & your email  
to 910-941-3878**

or scan this QR code  
with your cell phone's  
camera to access the  
sign up form



## Coming up this week. . .

### Sunday, September 21

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (in Cherry Fellowship Hall)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (online)
- 4:45 p.m. Youth Bells Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study (Act. Bld.)

### Monday, September 22

- 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting (Conf. Rm.)
- 5:45 p.m. Called Finance Meeting (D-113)
- 7:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting (Act. Bld.)

### Tuesday, September 23

- Snr/Retired Adults shopping trip to Dewayne's*
- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group (Zoom)

### Wednesday, September 24

- Youth Passport Trip Deposit Due (\$100)*
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study (Rm D-113)
- Youth Doing Missions (Act Bld)
- Children's Music & Missions
- 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, September 25

- First Baptist News (newsletter) will contain  
Deacon Election information*

### Saturday, September 27

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

Next Sunday is Senior  
Adult Sunday! Our  
Senior Adults will be  
participating in  
various elements of  
Worship and Dr.  
Glenn Jonas will be  
our guest preacher.



SENIOR ADULT SUNDAY IS  
*September 28th*  
10:30 A.M. WORSHIP



This fall starting September 17th, our Wednesday night adult Bible study will be “Exploring the Spiritual Disciplines.” Together we’ll look at twelve classic spiritual practices that have shaped Christian faith throughout the centuries. We’ll use Richard Foster’s classic book, *Celebration of Discipline*, as a resource. While you are not required to purchase the book, those who want to go deeper are encouraged to get their own copy.



## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5 WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

We'll observe the Ordinance of Communion.  
Rev. Doug Reedy will be recognized for 20 years of service.  
At the conclusion of Worship, a Called Church Conference will take place for the purpose of Deacon Election.

**9:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
**10:30 AM WORSHIP**

We plan to move Worship service back to the Sanctuary starting Sunday, October 5th!

## Worship with Us

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

Childcare is available on Sundays and Wednesdays. Nursey 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

#### Worship in Cherry Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m.—Sunday School  
10:30 a.m.—Worship in-person or online  
4:45 p.m.—Youth Bells Rehearsal  
6:00 p.m.—Youth Bible Study  
6:00 p.m.—Adult Bells Rehearsal (starting 10/5)

### Wednesdays

6:00 p.m.—Adult Bible Study, Youth Doing Missions, and Children’s Music and Missions  
7:00 p.m.—Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Worship services are livestreamed on  
Facebook Live

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

and on YouTube

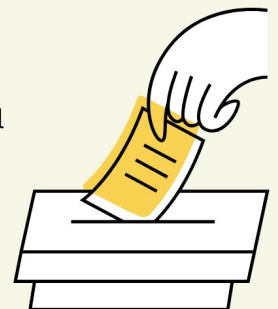
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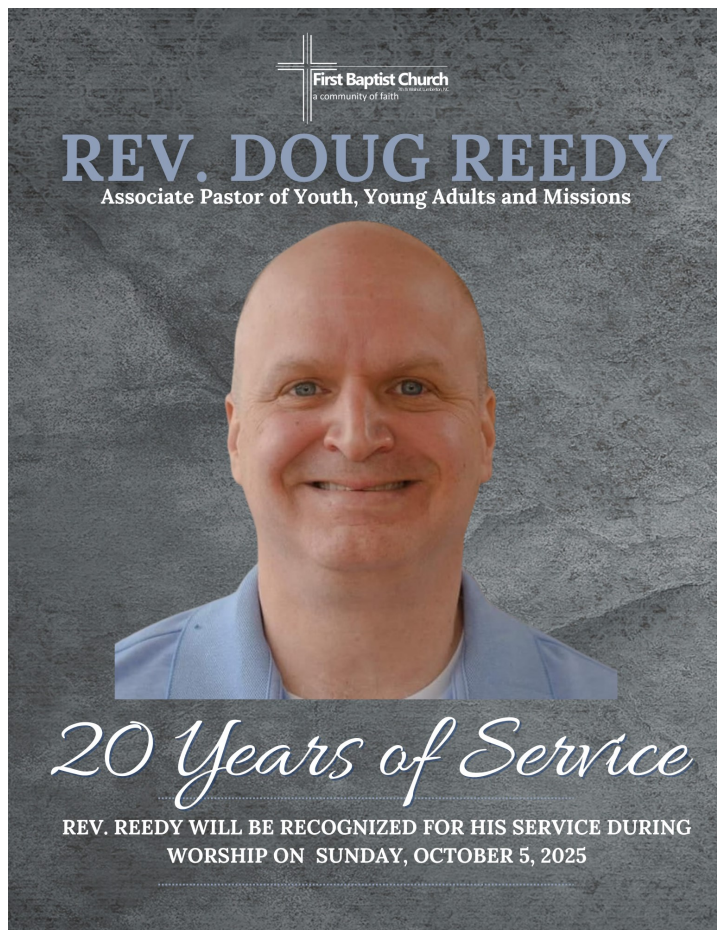
## DEACON ELECTION

### TIMELINE

- Sept. 25 - Newsletter will contain biographical info of nominees and election information
- Sept. 29 - Absentee voting begins
- Oct. 5 - Deacon Election
- Jan. 1 - New class of Deacons take office







### Rev. Doug Reedy's 20th Year!

On October 1st, Rev. Doug Reedy (a.k.a. "Doug") reaches a BIG milestone — 20 years of faithfully serving our students and families at First Baptist Lumberton! Doug isn't one for fanfare, but we still want to honor him in a meaningful way. We invite you to share a word of thanks, a memory, or a blessing. These messages will be collected and given to Doug on Sunday, October 5th during worship.

- A link to the digital submission form is included in this week's church email. If you need the link directly, contact the church office.
- The deadline for submissions is Friday, September 19th.
- We'll also have a basket available for those who wish to bring a handwritten card.

Please share this opportunity with others who know Doug — let's shower him with gratitude for two decades of faithful ministry! Everyone is invited to join us for worship on October 5th as we celebrate Doug together.

### *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) - *volunteers needed*

ECM Entrance (Handicap) - Ann & John Underwood

#### **10:30 Worship Entrance Greeters**

FH Lobby 10:00—11:30 am

JW & Angie Lawson

**Nursery** — Jenna Davis, Brooke Blackmon

**Extended Session** — Brooke Blackmon, Pattie Ramsaur, Jean Kinlaw

**Bus Team** — Keith Hardee, *volunteer rider needed*

### **Person of the Week**

Send a card, letter, or other remembrance to our very special person this week. She has a birthday coming up Sept. 20th!

**Margaret Wilson**

c/o Carrolton

1170 Linkhaw Road, Rm 203

Lumberton, NC 28358



### **Contact Us**

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

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### Monthly Food Drive

Many of us have never experienced true hunger, but some in our community do. In the coming weeks, you can help feed the hungry in our community by bringing canned or dry goods to donate. Donations collected will be sent to local food banks to be distributed safely and efficiently. As you are out and about town running errands, pick up an extra can and bring it with you Sunday. Suggestions: Pop-top canned goods, cereal, peanut butter, canned meats, pasta & pasta sauce. Items should be in-date and in their original packaging.

**WILDERNESS TRAIL YOUTH TRIP 2026**  
a Christian multi-day hiking experience in southwest Virginia  
July 12-18, 2026  
\$300 total cost with \$100 deposit due October 8, 2025  
Contact Rev. Doug Reedy for details

**YOUTH TRIP PASSPORT MISSIONS 2026**  
JUNE 23 - JULY 3  
Richmond, Virginia  
\$600 total trip cost with \$100 deposit due Sept. 24  
SIGN UP  
More Info: Contact Rev. Doug Reedy

Parents of Youth, check your email from Doug for specifics for upcoming activities and trips.

Passport Trip deposit due Sept. 24  
Wilderness Trail deposit due Oct. 8

Sign up through Rev. Doug, or scan the QR code on the flyers to securely register and pay online via card.

The Committee on Committees is currently meeting and preparing for the 2026 report. Please in prayer for those willing to serve on this committee as they call folks to determine their willingness to serve in various ministries.

The Committee on Committees report is scheduled to be presented during Church Conference October 22.

JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL **BBQ PLATE SALE**  
SUPPORTS YOUTH MISSIONS  
606 N WALNUT STREET  
LUMBERTON, NC 28358  
**First Baptist Church**  
a community of faith  
**FRIDAY NOVEMBER 21**  
11:00AM UNTIL WE RUN OUT  
**\$10** for a pint of just BBQ or a plate, which includes BBQ, beans, slaw, bread, dessert  
Tickets are available for purchase from any FBC Youth.  
Call us for more info: 910-739-4336

### For the Record

Budgeted 2025.....	\$646,000.00
Weekly Need (2025).....	\$12,423.08
Received September 14 .....	\$3,985.48
Need to date .....	\$459,653.96
Received to date .....	\$422,007.65
Over (Under) Budget .....	(\$37,646.31)

*Sept. 14th was the 37th Sunday of the year.  
Number of Sundays remaining in 2025 = 15*

### 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](http://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.

**GIVING**





## Trunk or Treat!

We are excited for our Trunk or Treat community event on Wednesday, October 29th! We anticipate the need for lots of candy and treats again this year!

### *How you can help make this year's event the best ever:*

#### 1. CANDY & TREATS

Halloween candy seems to sell out quickly so we ask for donations well in advance of the event. Donations may be dropped off in the office, or if you have an Amazon Prime or Walmart+ you can have the candy shipped directly to us! Use mailing address 606 N. Walnut Street, Lumberton, NC 28358 if you choose this option.

#### 2. CAR DECORATING & CANDY DISTRIBUTION

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).

### *Coming Up:*

**Sept. 29** — Lunch & Learn hosted at First Pres. RSVP by Sept. 19th so we can provide them with a headcount.

**Sept. 29-Oct. 2** —Deacon Election absentee voting. Available dates/hours to be announced.

**Sept. 29-Oct. 3** — Kandace & Rev. Doug Reedy on vacation (school fall break)

**Oct. 4**—Snr/retired Ad. trip to Northwood Temple's dinner show

**Oct. 5** —World Communion Sunday, Deacon Election, and Rev. Doug Reedy recognized for 20 years of service. Worship will be in the Sanctuary.

**Oct 5** — Adult Bells rehearsals begin, 6 pm

**Oct. 7** — Baptist Women's Bible Study, 11:45 am, Act. Bld.

**Oct. 8** — Youth Wilderness Trail deposit due (\$100)

**Oct. 9** — Fun & Fellowship, 11 am, at Susan Noble's home in Elizabethtown

**Oct. 12** — Friends of Jesus Sunday

**Oct. 13-15** — Snr Ad Caswell Fall Retreat

**Oct. 14**—Lower Cape Fear Life Care Lunch & Learn for clergy, Act. Bld.

**Oct. 18** — Community Café hosted by Collins Class

**Oct. 19** — Youth Haunted House Trip

**Oct. 20** — WMU, 11:45 am, Act. Bld.

**Oct. 20** — Finance will meet at 5:45 pm in the Chapel. Deacons will meet at 7 pm in the Activities Building.

**Oct. 21** — Snr. Ad. shopping trip to McBee's Market

**Oct. 22** — Quarterly Church Conference w/ Committee on Committees Report

**Oct. 24-26** — CBFNC Youth Beach Retreat

**Oct. 29** — Trunk or Treat! Starting at 6 pm in the 6th Street parking lot. We are now accepting candy donations and volunteers to decorate their cars for this event. See Rev. Doug Reedy for more information.

**Nov. 2** —All Saints Sunday. Daylight savings time ends.

**Nov. 4** — Baptist Women's Bible Study, 11:45 am, Activities Building

**Nov. 4** — Snr. Ad. Trip to Alabama Theatre's Christmas Show

**Nov. 11** — Snr. Ad. Trip to Rowles Theatre's Christmas Show

**Nov. 13** — Fun & Fellowship, 11 am, Act. Bld.

**Nov. 17** — WMU, 11:45 am, Act. Bld.

**Nov. 21** — BBQ Sale! Advance tickets are available for purchase from any FBC Youth or from the office.

*Hanging of the Green greenery fund contributions given in honor of or in memory of a loved one will be accepted in November.*

**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 hosts:**

Sept. 20 — at Asbury UMC  
 Oct. 18 — Collins Sunday School  
 Nov. 22\* — Youth  
 Dec. 20 — Bridge Sunday School  
 Jan. 17 — Fellowship Class  
 Feb. 21 — Sanctuary Choir  
*\*switched hosting dates w/Chestnut Methodist*



If you would like to place flowers in the church in honor of or in memory of a loved one, we currently have many Sundays available. 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 florist most are using are The Secret Garden Florist on Liberty Hill Road (910-272-0000).



First Baptist ECM has openings in some classes and need your help filling them. If you or someone you know needs childcare for a 2, 3, or 4 year old, refer them to us. We offer a quality program with curriculum, hot meals, loving staff, and in a Christian environment. If you are a currently enrolled family, you will earn a FREE week of childcare for each successful enrollment you refer to us. Call our ECM at 910-738-6608 for more info!

# SENIOR & RETIRED ADULT ACTIVITIES

*Sign up by contacting the office*



**910-739-4336**

**SEPT 23**

Shopping trip to Dewayne's in Smithfield

**SEPT 28**

Senior Adult Sunday  
 10:30 am Worship  
 Dr. Glenn Jonas, Guest Preacher

**SEPT 29**

Lunch & Learn hosted at First Presbyterian at 12 noon. RSVP by 9/19

**OCT 4**

Northwood Temple's Dinner Theatre Matinee Showtime. \$35 per ticket.

**OCT 21**

Shopping trip to McBee's Market, SC

**NOV 11**

Rowles Theatre's Christmas Show Myrtle Beach. \$40 per ticket.

**MAY 2026**

Gaither Fest in Gatlinburg, TN  
 May 22-24, 2026  
 \$475 per person

Call the office to sign up for these events (910-739-4336). If want more information, please contact the office or Phyllis Gibson, chair of the Senior Adult Committee, as soon as possible.

