

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



"Le Juge Inique" (translated: The Iniquitous Judge). Illustration for "The Parables" published in 1908. Artist unknown.

Preparing for Sunday,
October 19, 2025
"Knock Knock"
Luke 18:1-8 (NRSVue)
Rev. Doug Reedy

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
or online on YouTube
youtube.com/c/lumbertonfbc/

Many of our loved ones have walked the difficult journey of breast cancer — and we stand with them in love, hope, and prayer. As part of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, we're joining UNC Health Southeastern and our community in wearing pink on Sunday, October 19 to raise awareness and offer encouragement.

To learn more about breast cancer awareness and watch a video featuring the lighting of the pink ribbon atop UNC Health Southeastern, scan the QR code.



Coming up this week...

Sunday, October 19

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (in Cherry Fellowship Hall)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (online)
- Youth Haunted House trip Sunday Evening
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bells Rehearsal

Monday, October 20

- 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting (Conf. Rm.)
- 11:45 a.m. WMU (Act. Bld.)
- 5:45 p.m. Finance Meeting (Rm D-113)
- 7:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting (Act. Bld.)

Tuesday, October 21

- Snr Adults shopping at McBee's Market*
- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group (Zoom)

Wednesday, October 22

- 6:00 p.m. Quarterly Church Conference (Rm D-113)
- Youth Doing Missions (Act Bld)
- Children's Music & Missions
- 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 23

- 2:00 p.m. Snr Adult Committee Meeting

October 24-26

CBFNC Youth Beach Retreat, Fort Caswell

Saturday, October 25

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

OCTOBER
**Breast
CANCER**
awareness
MONTH

UNC HEALTH®
Southeastern





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).

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) - JW & Angie Lawson

ECM Entrance (Handicap) - Dianne & Layton Britt

10:30 Worship Entrance Greeters

FH Lobby 10:00—11:30 am

volunteer needed

Nursery — Jenna Davis, Brooke Blackmon

Extended Session — Brooke Blackmon, Betty Graham

Bus Team — Lisa Johnson, Gail Johnson

Bus Team Needs

We have a nice rotation of folks willing to drive our bus to Wesley Pines to pick up residents and bring them to church on Sundays, but we can use a few more "riders" to be just be a presence on the bus and offer support to the driver. If this is a role you can help fill, we will glad to add you to the schedule! Contact the office to express your willingness to assist.

Bus Team Needs for November:

Nov. 2—Driver and rider

Nov. 9—Rider

Nov. 16—Rider

Nov. 30—Rider

Contact Us

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

Mailing address: 606 N. Walnut Street,
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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

Worship in Cherry Fellowship Hall will continue until further notice

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.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

Worship services are livestreamed on Facebook Live

facebook.com/firstbaptistlumbertonnc

and on YouTube

youtube.com/c/lumbertonfbc/



Trinity Episcopal Church invites us to attend a free theatrical performance of The Cobbler, the Bishop, their Prince, and his Madman on

Friday, October 24th at 7:00 pm. The performance is a play by Doug Berky based on the works of Tolstoy that suggests that there is truth to the old saying "Where love is, God is." For more information, contact Jef Lambdin at woole@mindspring.com.

Thanksgiving Service—Nov. 23

In addition, Trinity will host a Thanksgiving Service Sunday, November 23rd at 5:00 pm. Rev. Josh Owens will be preaching. Everyone is invited to attend!



QUARTERLY CHURCH CONFERENCE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2025

6 PM

ROOM D-113

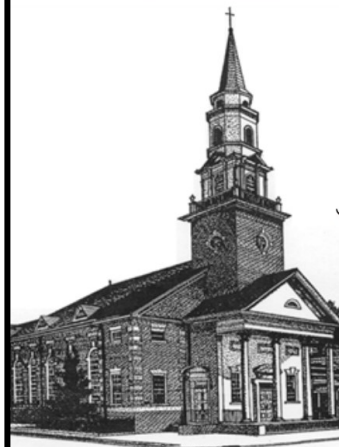
Please plan to attend this important meeting!

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 Wednesday, October 22 at 6 pm.



During worship Sunday, November 2nd we will observe All Saints' Sunday. We will call the names of those in our membership who have passed away over the past year as a way of honoring the impact their lives have had on the church body.

DEACON ORDINATION & INSTALLATION SERVICE



*Sunday,
November 9*

10:30 AM

CHERRY FELLOWSHIP HALL



Join us for our Annual BBQ Plate Sale
supporting Youth!

Friday, November 21
11:00 am—UNTIL WE RUN OUT
Pick up curbside on 6th Street

For just \$10, enjoy a delicious plate of BBQ with beans, slaw, and dessert—or grab a pint of BBQ to go! You'll be hard pressed to find a to-go meal for that price point anywhere else, and it's for a good cause. Every plate helps fund youth mission projects that make a difference near and far.

Advance tickets are available from any FBC Youth or from the church office. BBQ will also be on the day of sale.

JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL

BBQ PLATE SALE

SUPPORTS YOUTH MISSIONS

606 N WALNUT STREET
LUMBERTON, NC 28358

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**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

Parents of Youth, check your email and/or texts
from Doug for specifics for upcoming activities



Person of the Week

Send a card, letter, or other remembrance to our very special person this week. He has a birthday coming up October 17th!

Kenneth Sasser
1000 Wesley Pines Road
Room A-127
Lumberton, NC 28358

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).



This week's "For the Record" giving report will be published in the next edition.

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.*



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

GIVING

Coming Up:

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

Nov. 2 — Daylight Savings Time Ends (set your clock back one hour before bed)

Nov. 2 — Worship Committee Meeting, 3 pm

Nov. 4 — Snr Ad trip to Alabama Theatre's Christmas Show in Myrtle Beach

Nov. 4 — Baptist Women's Bible Study Group, 11:45 am, Act. Bld.

Nov. 9 — Deacon Ordination & Installation Service

Nov 11 — Veteran's Day

Nov. 11 — Snr Ad trip to Rowles Theatre's Christmas Show in Myrtle Beach

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

Nov. 15 — Downtown Clean Sweep (TBD)

Nov. 17 — WMU, 11:45 am, Act. Bld.

Nov. 21 — BBQ Sale

Nov. 22 — Community Café hosted by Youth

Nov. 23 — Christ the King Sunday

Nov. 23 — Thanksgiving Service at Trinity Episcopal

Nov. 24 — Finance will meet at 5:45 pm in Rm D113. Deacons will meet at 7 pm in the Activities Building.

Nov. 26 — No Wednesday Night Activities

Nov. 27 — Thanksgiving Day. Offices and ECM closed Nov. 27 and 28.

Nov. 30 — Hanging of the Green, 10:30 am Worship

Dec. 2 — Baptist Women's Bible Study, 11:45 am, Act. Bld.

Dec. 3 — Youth Ski Trip Payment due (\$100)

Dec. 6 — Healthy Robeson Event

Dec. 7 — Church-wide Christmas Breakfast & FOJ Caroling during Sunday School hour (9:30 am)

Dec. 10 — Children's Spontaneous Nativity, 6 pm

Dec. 11 — Fun & Fellowship, 11 am, Act. Bld.

Dec. 12 — Kiwanis Exceptional Children's Christmas Event in Fellowship Hall

Dec. 13 — Children's Christmas Party gift pick-up

Dec. 14 — Adult Choir's Christmas Cantata during 10:30 am Worship

Dec. 14 — Friends of Jesus Christmas Party, 11:30 am

Dec. 15 — WMU, 11:45 am, Act. Bld.

Dec. 17 — Youth Progressive Dinner, 5 pm

Dec. 20 — Community Café, hosted by Bridge Class

Dec. 21 — Longest Night Service (Memorial Service), 5 pm

Dec. 22 — Finance will meet at 5:45 pm in Rm D113. Deacons will meet at 7 pm in the Act. Bld.

Dec. 24-26 — Offices and ECM Closed for Christmas

Dec. 24 — Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 5 pm

Jan. 1 — Offices & ECM Closed for New Years Day

Jan. 3-5 — College Ski Trip



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SENIOR/RETIRED ADULTS TRIP

GAITHER FAMILY FEST

MAY 22-24, 2026 GATLINBURG, TN

WE ARE GOING! COST: \$475

A \$50 DEPOSIT IS REQUIRED TO HOLD YOUR SPACE. PRICE INCLUDES TICKETS FOR 5 EVENTS, 3 NIGHTS LODGING, AND TRANSPORTATION. YOU WILL NEED TO PAY FOR YOUR OWN MEALS.

CONTACT PHYLLIS GIBSON OR THE CHURCH OFFICE AND LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN GOING.

Just 2 more tickets remain! Register and pay a \$50 deposit ASAP to hold your space. Trip cost includes tickets, transportation, and lodging. Meals will be on your own.



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SENIOR ADULT SHOPPING TRIP

**OCTOBER
21ST**

MCBEE'S MARKET
South Carolina

More Information
contact the office or
Phyllis Gibson



This is a no cost trip, so just bring spending money.
Contact the office to sign up! 910-739-4336

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



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:

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*



UPCOMING REGIONAL GATHERINGS

CBFNC REGIONAL FELLOWSHIP LUNCH SOUTHERN PINES



November 6, 2025

9:45 AM – 1:00 PM



200 E New York Ave, Southern Pines

\$10 early bird lunch if registered by Oct. 22nd

<https://secure.qgiv.com/for/cbfeve/event/regionalfellowshiplunch-sandhills2025/>

CBFNC Regional Fellowship Lunch at First Baptist in Southern Pines

On November 6th, gather with CBFNC coordinators and friends for a Regional Gathering at First Baptist Church in Southern Pines. The gathering will begin at 9:45 am and will consist of a morning workshop session followed by a fellowship lunch, concluding around 1:00 pm.

All are invited to attend – pastors, staff ministers, divinity students, chaplains, lay leaders and anyone interested in learning more about CBFNC and connecting with colleagues, friends and fellow Baptists. Optionally attend a free, interactive morning workshop about Helping Churches Thrive.

The cost is \$15 per person for lunch (with an Early Bird rate of \$10 if you register by Oct. 22).

Registration deadline is November 3rd. **Register directly with CBFNC here:**

<https://secure.qgiv.com/for/cbfeve/event/regionalfellowshiplunch-sandhills2025/>

