

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,
October 26, 2025
“Consistencies in Change”
Joel 2:23-32 (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
or online on YouTube
youtube.com/c/lumbertonfbc/

Following the conclusion of Worship, members are invited to stay for a presentation of a report concerning the Sanctuary. The report was also presented during church conference October 22.



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).

Coming up this week. . .

Sunday, October 26

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

Oct. 27-31: ECM Book Fair

Monday, October 27

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

Tuesday, October 28

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

Wednesday, October 29

- 6:00 p.m. Trunk or Treat

Thursday, October 30

- 1:00 p.m. Snr Adult Committee Meeting

Oct. 31: ECM Trick-or-Treating

If you would like to help staff pass out candy to our daycare kids, or help chaperone them around the community, please contact the office.

Saturday, November 1

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



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.



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) - Jimmy & Billie Dail

ECM Entrance (Handicap) - Barbara Andrews

10:30 Worship Entrance Greeters

FH Lobby 10:00—11:30 am

Shirley Hickman

Nursery — Jenna Davis, Brooke Blackmon

Extended Session — Brooke Blackmon, Nancy Wanger

Bus Team — JW & Angie Lawson

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.

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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/



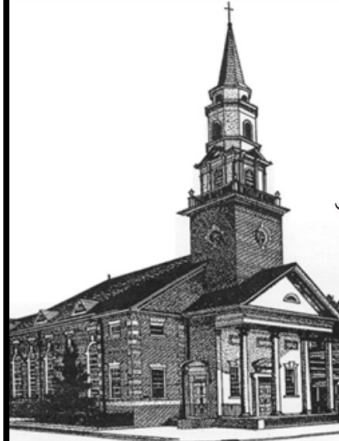
Trinity Episcopal Church invites us to attend a free theatrical performance of The Cobbler, the Bishop, their Prince, and his Madman on

Friday, October 24th at 7:00 pm. The performance is a play by Doug Berkly 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!

DEACON ORDINATION & INSTALLATION SERVICE



*Sunday,
November 9*

10:30 AM

CHERRY FELLOWSHIP HALL



Join us for a special Deacon Ordination and Installation Service on Sunday, November 9th, during our 10:30 AM worship. We have two being ordained as Deacon who will be sharing their faith story.

Ordained & Installed: Gail Johnson, Jeffery Kinlaw
Installed: Alli Branch, Donna Hardee, Keith Hardee



We are collecting non-perishable canned goods and dry goods to donate to local food charities so they can be distributed safely and efficiently to those who need them most. While we usually focus on collecting items the first Sunday of each month, we gladly accept donations anytime. Suggested items include pop-top canned goods (soups, veggies, fruits), cereal, peanut butter, canned meats, pasta and pasta sauce, and toiletries (soap, shampoo, toothpaste, feminine hygiene, etc.). Bring donations to the church office or place them in the labeled bins around the church.

Coming Up:

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 at 5 pm. Rev. Owens will be preaching.
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



Just 2 more tickets remain! Register and pay a \$50 deposit ASAP to hold your space. Trip cost is \$475 and includes tickets, transportation, and lodging. Meals will be on your own.



Around the Early Childhood Ministry (ECM)

In September, we learned all about baby Moses. We learned through the story that God has a family for all of us and that we must learn to be patient and kind with one another and love everyone, just as God loves us!! The children enjoyed learning about how Moses had to leave one family, but God provided another!! Some friends worked really hard and memorized their bible verse for the month.... "See how very much our Father loves us, for He calls us His children, for that is what we are." 1 John 3:1 (NLT)

- Michelle Prevatte, Director



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:

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/>



**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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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

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.

**Gene Horne
PO Box 54
Orrum, NC 28369**



The 2026 Budget has been approved by Finance and Deacons and will be scheduled to be presented to the congregation during Called Church Conference on a Wednesday night followed by a vote the following Sunday. Conference dates will be announced.

For the Record

Budgeted 2025	\$646,000.00
Weekly Need as Budgeted (2025)	\$12,423.08
Received October 12	\$10,115.84
Received October 19	\$2,714.93
Need to date	\$512,769.36
Received to date	\$480,518.55
Over (Under) Budget	(\$32,250.81)

*Oct. 19th was the 42nd Sunday of the year.
Number of Sundays remaining in 2025 = 10
Amount needed for each of the next 10 Sundays to
meet needs & amount under budget = \$16,548.15*

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.
- 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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