

First Baptist News

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



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.

Preparing for Sunday,
November 2, 2025
"A Glorious Inheritance"
Ephesians 1:11-23 (NRSV)

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/

Recognizing the Community of Saints

*Daniel Sealey
Danny Graham
Melba McCorkle
Paul Stone
Nancy Honeycutt
Gracie Davis
Sue Ivey
Larry Sawyer
Betty Edens*

Coming up this week. . .

Sunday, November 2

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship (in Cherry Fellowship Hall)
10:30 a.m. Worship (online)
3:00 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting
4:45 p.m. Youth Bells Rehearsal
6:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study (Act. Bld.)
6:00 p.m. Adult Bells Rehearsal

Monday, November 3

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

Tuesday, November 4

Snr. Ads. to Alabama Theatre's Christmas Show
7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group (Zoom)
11:45 a.m. Baptist Women's Bible Study
(Act. Bld.)

Wednesday, November 5

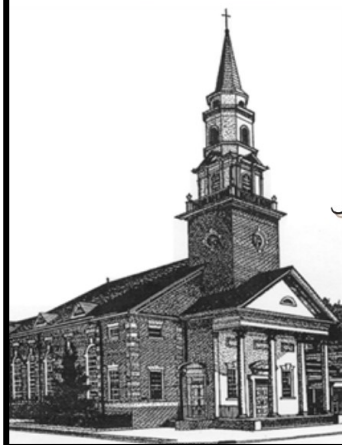
6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study (Rm D-113)
6:00 p.m. Youth Doing Missions (Act. Bld.)
6:00 p.m. Children's Missions & Music
7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, November 7

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

Daylight Savings Time Ends Nov. 2nd. Set your clocks back 1 hour before bed Saturday night.

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

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) - Brenda & James Britt

ECM Entrance (Handicap) - Sue O'Tuel

10:30 Worship Entrance Greeters

FH Lobby 10:00—11:30 am

JW & Angie Lawson

Nursery — Jenna Davis, Brooke Blackmon

Extended Session — Brooke Blackmon,

Bus Team — Eddie Prevatte, James Gore

Contact Us

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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 available 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

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/



Toiletries can be used, too!

Donations are accepted in the office or place them in the labeled bins around the church.

Each month, we have a canned and dry goods food drive, but we need even more donations the coming month. Due to the ongoing federal government shutdown, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits scheduled for November 1 will not be issued unless funding is restored. That means families in our community who depend on those benefits may face going without food in the weeks ahead. 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.



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. 9 — Rider

Nov. 30 — Rider

Coming Up:

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. 5 — Meadow Lights Trip
Dec. 6 — Healthy Robeson Cookies with Santa, 10 am, Fellowship Hall
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 — Friends of Jesus Christmas Party, 11:30 am
Dec. 15 — WMU, 11:45 am, Act. Bld.
Dec. 16 — ECM Christmas Program, to be announced
Dec. 17 — Youth Progressive Dinner, 5 pm. No Wednesday Night Activities.
Dec. 20 — Community Café, hosted by Bridge Class
Dec. 21 — Adult Choir's Christmas Cantata during 10:30 am Worship. *Note: This is a date change.*
Dec. 21 — Longest Night Service (Memorial Service), 5 pm, Chapel
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
Dec. 28 — No Sunday School
Dec. 31 — No Wednesday Night Activities

Jan. 1 — Offices & ECM Closed for New Years Day
Jan. 7 — Youth Ski trip final payment due. Ski trip is Jan. 16-20th to Canaan Valley, WV.



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SENIOR/RETIRED ADULTS TRIP

GAITHER FAMILY FEST

MAY 22-24, 2026 GATLINBURG, TN

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.



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).



COOKIES with Santa

WEAR PAJAMAS | CHRISTMAS CRAFTS | PHOTO WITH SANTA

SATURDAY, 06 DECEMBER 2025 | AT 10 AM



FIRST BAPTIST LUMBERTON

(606 N Walnut St, Lumberton, NC 28358)

This event has been thoughtfully created to support and accommodate individuals with special needs.



**YOU MUST RSVP
BEFORE 11/30/25 BY
CALLING
910-610-7959.**

Sponsored by





Spread Christmas Joy right here at home! As Christmas bargains roll around, consider giving a different kind of gift—one that brings the love of Christ to our local community. You can give generously to support our Children's Christmas Party and Friends of Jesus Christmas party. Both are annual events hosted by the church, sharing the hope and joy of the season with children and adults in our area. We have already begun preparations for both events and need your contributions to make these events possible.

Gifts may be made in memory or in honor of someone special, or even as a Christmas gift on their behalf. Simply scan the QR code on the flyer to give! Alternatively, you may designate your gift by writing "Children's Christmas Party" and/or "Friends of Jesus Christmas Party" in the memo line of your check.

Goal for each party: \$6,000

Person of the Week

Send a card, letter, or other remembrance to our very special person this week. She had a birthday October 29th!

Elouise Bullock
c/o Liberty Commons
1402 Pickney Street
Whiteville, NC 28472

Happy Birthday

The 2026 Budget has been approved by Finance and Deacons and will be scheduled to be presented to the congregation for discussion on Wednesday, December 3, 2025. A vote on the budget will take place Sunday, December 7, 2025 at the conclusion of Worship.

For the Record

Budgeted 2025	\$646,000.00
Weekly Need as Budgeted (2025)	\$12,423.08
Received October 26	\$11,897.93
Need to date	\$534,192.44
Received to date	\$492,416.49
Over (Under) Budget	(\$41,775.95)

*Oct. 26th was the 43rd Sunday of the year.
Number of Sundays remaining in 2025 = 9
Amount needed for each of the next 9 Sundays to meet needs & amount under budget = \$17,064.85*

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.*



GIVING

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

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*

CHURCH-WIDE TRIP TO
**Meadow Lights
& Supper**
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6

MEET AT THE CHURCH AT 4 PM
SUPPER AT MEADOW VILLAGE RESTAURANT
MEADOW LIGHTS & OLD COUNTRY STORE
ARRIVE BACK TO LUMBERTON AROUND 9 PM

Bring money for supper and for the Country Store (candy, sodas, concessions, Santa photos, etc.). Let us know you are coming by signing up through the church office.



Hey everyone! Let's meet at the church on Saturday, December 6th at 4:00 pm for a trip to Meadow Lights in Johnston County. We'll have dinner at the Meadow Village Restaurant, where you can enjoy a delicious southern buffet and the most amazing chocolate meringue pie. After dinner, we'll head over to the Meadow Lights & Old Country Store. We plan to be back in Lumberton around 9:00 pm.

The trip is free, just bring money for dinner and anything you might want to purchase at the store, like old-fashioned candy and glass bottle sodas, or for activities at the lights. While there's no cost to see the lights as you drive down the road to the country store, there are additional attractions like a small train ride, photos with Santa, carousel, and concessions that require payment.

For more information:

<https://meadowlights.com/>

Contact the church office to let us know you are joining the group. Looking forward to a fun evening with you all!



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/>