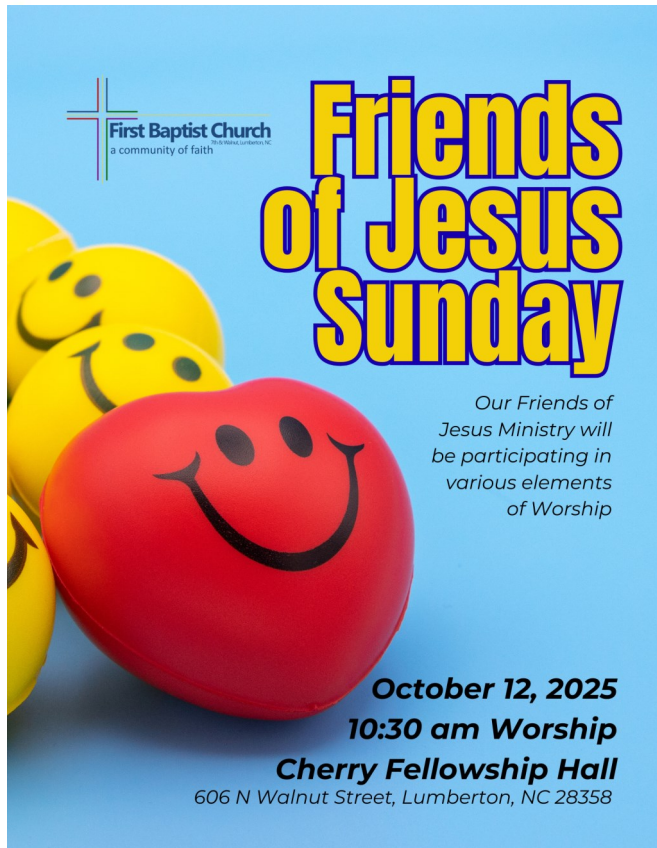


First Baptist News

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 12, 2025
Friends of Jesus Sunday
John 15:12-14 (NIV)

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/

A meal for the Friends of Jesus Class will be held
immediately following Worship. We need people to help
serve the meal. Contact Judith or Hoss Watts.

Coming up this week. . .

Sunday, October 12

- 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
- Adult Bells Rehearsal

*October 13-15—Snr/Retired Adults to Caswell
Fall Retreat*

Monday, October 13

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

Tuesday, October 14

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group (Zoom)
- 11:30 a.m. Lower Cape Fear Lunch &
Learn (Act. Bld.)

Wednesday, October 15

- 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

*Friday, October 17—PreK Field Trip to
Pumpkin Patch*

Saturday, October 18

- 10:30 a.m. Community Café (Act. Bld.)
hosted by Collins Class
- 3:00 p.m. Hispanic Ministry Bible
Study (Act. Bld.)





Elected to Serve as Deacon



Allison Branch (Alli)
2026-2029



Donna Hardee
2026-2029



Keith Hardee
Oct. 2025 - 2027



Gail S. Johnson
2026-2029



Charles "Jeffery" Kinlaw
2026-2029

Deacon Election Results

Congratulations to our new class of Deacons! During Called Church Conference Sunday, October 5th, election of Deacons took place. Keith Hardee will fill a vacancy and serve Oct. 2025 through the year 2027. Allison Branch (Alli), Donna Hardee, Gail S. Johnson, and Charles "Jeffery" Kinlaw will serve 2026 through 2029. Please join us in praying for these individuals as they prepare to serve.

A service of Ordination and Installation of Deacons is set to take place during Worship on Sunday, November 9th.

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

For the Record

Budgeted 2025	\$646,000.00
Weekly Need (2025)	\$12,423.08
Received September 28	\$14,391.44
Received October 5	\$20,035.24
Need to date	\$496,923.20
Received to date	\$467,585.04
Over (Under) Budget	(\$29,338.16)

*Oct. 5th was the 40th Sunday of the year.
Number of Sundays remaining in 2025 = 12*

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



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.



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.

Worship with Us

606 N. Walnut Street
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 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/

UNC Health Southeastern invites us to wear pink Sunday, October 19th for Breast Cancer Awareness Month.



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.





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) - Sue O'Tuel

ECM Entrance (Handicap) - JW & Angie Lawson

10:30 Worship Entrance Greeters

FH Lobby 10:00—11:30 am

Ann & John Underwood

Nursery — Jenna Davis, Brooke Blackmon

Extended Session — Brooke Blackmon, Christy Strickland

Bus Team — Phyllis Gibson, Jeanne Stevens

Friends of Jesus Servants this Sunday

Greeters — Amoria Lewis, Amber Castro, Kevin

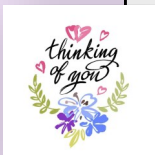
Strickland, Geraldine Davis, Hattie Alford, Conosha Hurbert

Ushers — Raville Johnson, Michael Calahan, Felicia

Montague, Asia McNeal, Amber Castro

Person of the Week

Send a card, letter, or other remembrance to our very special person this week.



Lois Johnson

**1000 Wesley Pines Road, Rm 132
Lumberton, NC 28358**

Contact Us

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

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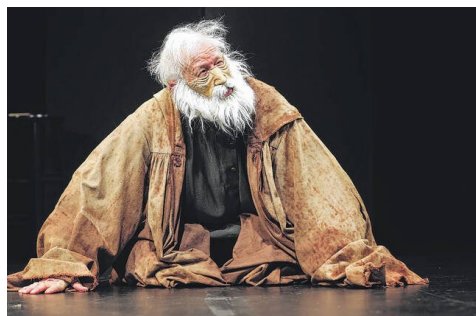
Mr. Len Power — Building Superintendent;
lenpower@fbclumbertonnc.org

Mrs. Kandace Ramsey — Administrative Assistant;
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Rev. Doug Reedy — Associate Pastor of Youth,
Young Adults and Missions;
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Coming Up:

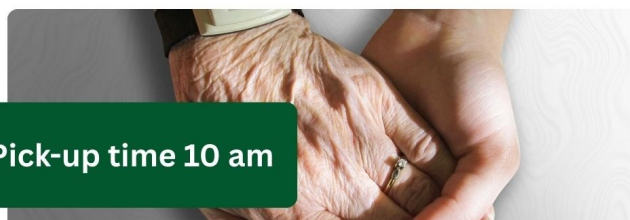
Oct. 19 — Rev. Doug Reedy will be preaching. Youth Haunted House Trip will be in the evening.
Oct. 20 — WMU, 11:45 am, Act. Bld.
Oct. 20 — Finance will meet at 5:45 pm in the Chapel. Deacons will meet at 7 pm in the Activities Building.
Oct. 21 — Snr. Ad. shopping trip to McBee's Market
Oct. 22 — Quarterly Church Conference at 6 pm
Oct. 23 — Snr Ad Committee Meeting, 2 pm
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
Nov. 2 — Daylight Savings Time Ends (set your clock back one hour before bed)
Nov. 2 — Worship Committee Meeting, 3 pm (tentative)
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. 24 — Finance will meet at 5:45 pm in the Chapel. 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



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.

We need folks to be "riders" for the bus team route to Wesley Pines!



Pick-up time 10 am

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

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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 ASAP to hold your space.

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



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

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*

Special Emphasis

(subject to change as we progress thru the year)

Nov. 2 — All Saints Sunday

Nov. 9 — Deacon Ordination & Installation

Nov. 21 — Youth BBQ Sale

Nov. 23 — Christ the King Sunday. Hanging of the Green rehearsal for Youth will take place during the Sunday School hour.

Nov. 26 — No Wednesday Night activities

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

Dec. 7 — Christmas Breakfast during Sunday School hour and Friends of Jesus Caroling

Dec. 10 — Children's Spontaneous Nativity & meal at 6 pm in Cherry Fellowship Hall

Dec. 13 — Children's Christmas Party

Dec. 14 — Adult Choir Cantata

Dec. 14 — Friends of Jesus Christmas Party following Worship

Dec. 17, 24, 31 — No regular Wednesday night activities

Dec. 17 — Youth's Progressive Dinner

Dec. 21 — Longest Night Service (Memorial Service) at 5 pm in the Chapel

Dec. 24 — Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 5 pm



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/>