

THE CONTACT MONTHLY NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2019, VOLUME 54, NUMBER 11





EVENTS AT A GLANCE

NOVEMBER 1, OFFICE CLOSED

NOVEMBER 3, HOMECOMING HARVEST DAY

NOVEMBER 9, DEACON TRAINING, 9 A.M.

NOVEMBER 11, WMU MEETING, 10:00 A.M.

NOVEMBER 18, SUNSHINE BASKET PROJECT, 9:00 A.M.

FINANCE MEETING, 9:30 A.M. POINSETTIA ORDER DEADLINE

NOVEMBER 19, DEACONS MEETING, 7:00 P.M.

NOVEMBER 23, FISH FRY, 5:30 P.M.

NOVEMBER 24, COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE AT FBC, 6:00 P.M.

NOVEMBER 27, NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

NOVEMBER 28, THANKSGIVING DAY

NOVEMBER 28 & 29, OFFICE CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS

COMPLETE MONTHLY CALENDAR ON BACK.

TO ADD AN EVENT TO OUR CALENDAR, PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE: (910) 642-2139

Pastor's Corner



To our Dear Church Family,

Jenny, Luke, Shannon, and I wish to convey to you how much love we have for First Baptist Church of Whiteville and all the relationships that have flourished over the last four years. You have loved us, laughed with us, and cried with us. These have been some of the best years of our lives.

It is important that you know our call to First Baptist Church of Albemarle had nothing to do with a desire to leave you. Never has there been a moment that we doubted God's

call to this congregation and community. We will look back on our time in Whiteville with tremendous joy and give thanks to God for the growth we have had together!

We sense God's call to Albemarle and we must obey. Just as God has called our family to be here with you over the last four years, He is calling us to Albemarle. It is with great sadness that we say, "Goodbye" to our Whiteville church family we love so dearly.

We also know, that while our time in ministry together is coming to an end, our friendships will last forever. I have heard it said that since followers of Christ have the hope of eternal life, Christians never have to say "Goodbye," we can with confidence say, "Until we meet again." We will come back to visit. We will check in from time to time. But we also want to provide space in the next few years for you to connect with your new pastor. We know that you will love your next pastor and his/her family the way you have loved us.

This congregation has made tremendous strides in the last four years. I think a new course has been set. Be proud of the work you've done and live into God's dream for your future. Columbus County needs God's Holy Church and I believe you are and can continue to be a beacon of the light of Christ. Believe in yourselves and in the God we worship and follow!

In Christ, Rev. Ryan K. Clore

Join us on Wednesdays for Supper (5:45 p.m.), Prayer Meeting (6:30-6:45 p.m.), Godly Play (6:30 - 7:30p.m.), & Bible Study (6:45-7:15) p.m. Nursery is available after supper.

Wednesday Night Supper



November 6

Menu - Sausage & Egg Breakfast Casserole, Pecan Praline French Toast, Grits, Fruit, and Muffins

Janice Young—C
Charlotte Collins
Merle Worley

Sylvia Elkins Sandi Floyd Bridger Warlick

Nursery

Mary Alice Stanley Katherine Scott

November 13

Menu - Something Yummy

Peggy Norosky—C

Mike & Lauren Cole Jolene Lewis Jenny Clore Jennifer Bowling Carlton & Mary Jean Prince

Nursery

Peggy Norosky

November 20

Menu - Fried Chicken, Green Beans, Potato Salad, Dessert Jackie Jones—C Glenn & Sherry Waters

Peggy Walters Merle Worley Muriel Hill Charlie Duncan

Nursery

Trish Sanderson Leah Sanderson Carly Sanderson

November 27

No Wednesday Night Activities

MUSIC NOTES





All of our music groups continue to rehearse and prepare for future worship services.

The **Chancel Choir** will sing the 175th anniversary commissioned anthem *Our Everlasting Guide* for Homecoming on November 3.

The Chancel Choir continues to rehearse for the Advent and Christmas seasons. They will present *Come, Let Us Adore Him* on Sunday, December 15. It will be accompanied by organ, handbells, strings, flute and percussion.

It is not too late to join the Chancel Choir and sing with them this Christmas.

The **Youth and Adult Handbell Choir** is preparing music for *The Hanging of the Greens* and for the December 15 Christmas music service. There is still room for a couple of ringers and you are encouraged to come check them out.

The **Youth Choir** and **Children's Choir** continue to rehearse. The youth will combine with the Chancel Choir on occasions, including December 15.

Christ the King Sunday is the last Sunday of November. As the last Sunday of the Christian Church Year, Christ the King Sunday is the conclusion of the Church's journey through the life of Christ and the Gospel message. Its purpose is to celebrate the coming reign of Christ as King of the earth and Lord of all.

It also provides an appropriate bridge to the new Church Year that begins the following Sunday on the first Sunday of Advent.

Plan to be in worship each Sunday in November, especially *Christ the King Sunday*. (Partially adapted from www.crivoice.org)

At a Glance... Plan now to join us for the

2019-2020 Music Ministry

(beginning Wednesday, September 4)

Children's Choir

(for grades 1-5) Wednesday, 5:00 p.m.

The Chancel Choir (for Adults and Youth) Wednesday, 7:15 p.m.

Youth and Adult Handbells Sunday, 4:30 p.m.

Youth Choir (for grades 6-12) Sunday, 5:20 p.m.

Don't miss out on another photo opportunity! This month we have Homecoming/Harvest Day, a church-wide fish fry, and Community Thanksgiving service. We would love to add your pictures to our photo gallery. It is always fun to look back and see who was working on a project, helping in the kitchen, or just sitting around watching other folks work. Send your pics to office@fbcwhiteville.com. If you have been snapping photos of other events, feel free to send those to the office as well.



NOVEMBER MEMBERS IN MINISTRY

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

3 Grayanna Young

10 Gina Morningstar

17 Tina Sauls

24 Tricia Sanderson

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

3 Sandra Floyd / Haywood Corbett

10 Lauren Cole/ Donna Prince

17 Buster Carter / Betty Jo Prevatte

24 David Carter / Charlie Duncan

DVD DISTRIBUTION

3 Peggy Walters

10 Hilda Butler

17 Rose Langston

24 Jolene Lewis

HOSPICE MEAL

15 Lonnie Williams

NURSERY

3 Jennifer Hall / Trish Sanderson / Leah Sanderson / Carly Sanderson

10 Jim & Erin Warlick / Katherine Scott / Wendy Hensley

17 Peggy Norosky

24 Jenny Clore / Dale Duncan / Jennifer Armbrecht / Genie Carter PEW STOCKER
Betty Jo Prevatte

SOUND & VIDEO

3 Mitchell Sauls

10 Bryce Kronenwetter

17 Kirby Sanderson

24 Eric Kronenwetter

SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETERS

3 Genie Carter & Clint & Carolyn Grainger

10 Frances Price & Yvonne Bass

17 Rose Langston & J. C. Hyatt

24 Bill & Jolene Lewis

SUNDAY SCHOOL MINISTRY AT LIBERTY

24 Ruth Believers

USHERS (CHAIRMAN: CHARLIE DUNCAN)

3 Buster Carter / Glenn Waters / David Heath / Clint Grainger / J. C. Hyatt

10 Bill Floyd / David Carter / Mitchell Sauls / Willis Pinnell / Johnny Britt

17 Travis Harrison / John Sauls /
Mel Ray / Kenwood Royal /Chris
Blackmon

24 Harry Ward / David Tedder / Haywood Corbett / Kevin Williamson / Kyle Cook

WORSHIP SERVICE GREETER Myrtie Sellers



Contact Information

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1 John Bowling

2 Janet Austin

4 Tanner Morningstar

6 Keith Wilson

9 Yvonne Bass Cynthia Lytle

10 Eddie Fort Peggy Norosky Brownie Cook

13 Genie Carter Eric Kronenwetter 16 Robin Fort

Melissa Williamson

19 Fred Senter

20 Carl Butler, Jr.

21 Mitchell Sauls

22 Jan Lynn

25 Yvonne Gold

27 Doris Norris

28 Merle Worley Tonya Schoolcraft

October 27, 2019 will be added to the December Contact.

Our Financial Stewardship

Worship Attendance Average: 108 Sunday School Attendance Average: 51

October 6, 2019- Attend 122 YTD

 Budget Rec'd
 \$29,902.00
 Budget Needs to Date
 \$6,665.50

 Budget Needed
 \$6,662.50
 Budget Received YTD
 \$29,902.00

 Over
 \$23,236.50
 Budget Over YTD
 \$23,236.50

October 13, 2019- Attend 108 YTD

 Budget Rec'd
 \$4,616.65
 Budget Needs to Date
 \$13,331.00

 Budget Needed
 \$6,665.50
 Budget Received YTD
 \$34,518.65

 Under
 \$2,048.85
 Budget Over YTD
 \$21,187.65

October 20, 2019- Attend 93 YTD

 Budget Rec'd
 \$3,638.50
 Budget Needs to Date
 \$19,996.50

 Budget Needed
 \$6,665.50
 Budget Received YTD
 \$38,157.15

 Under
 \$3,027.00
 Budget Over YTD
 \$18,160.65

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKS FOR STEPPING UP

Thank you so much to the ladies who volunteered to sit in the office while our Ministry Assistant was on vacation! Your help is greatly appreciated, and vacation was wonderful—full of rest and relaxation!



Teresa Malpass

"A LITTLE BIRDIE TOLD ME"

It is not really a secret, but the compliment is worth sharing. The Tennessee group that stayed in our church October 6 - 10 called to make sure that we knew, "First Baptist Church was one of the most accommodating, if not THE most accommodating organizations that they had worked with in their experience of helping people after disasters." They have worked all across the southeast. What a testimony for Christ! Labor on! Way to be there FBC!

"So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up."

Galatians 6:9

MISSIONS

Sunday, December 1 at 9:00 a.m., we have our annual Mission Prayer Breakfast in the fellowship hall. Our speaker will be Michael Brooks, retired missionary to Japan. He is currently serving as director of the Matthew 25 House in Tabor City. He will also be our guest speaker during worship. This will be our beginning emphasis on our mission offerings for Christmas. You have an envelope in your church envelope packet for Christmas offerings.



PARADES

The Children's Committee has made plans that our children will participate in the **Pecan Festival Parade** on **November 2** and the **Christmas Parade** on **December 1.** Candy donations will be appreciated and can be placed on the missions table in the fellowship hall.

DEACON TRAINING

This year's deacon training for our new deacons will be held at Liberty Medical office on **November 9** from **9:00 a.m.– 1:00 p.m.** See you there!

LOOKING AHEAD AT FBC

December 1, Missions Breakfast, 9:00 a.m.

December 1, Hanging of the Greens, 6:00 p.m.

December 15, Chancel Choir - Come, Lets Us Adore Him

December 24, Christmas Eve Service, 5:00 p.m.

LOOKING AHEAD IN THE COMMUNITY

November 7, - Free Workshop - A Positive Approach to Care, Enhancing Understanding and Building Skills in the Care for those Living with Dementia - 9:00-11:30 a.m. or 1:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m., Seating is limited. Registration required. Contact: Kelly Cahill at 910-796-7922, Kelly.Cahill@lcfh.org or Holly Pilson at 910-274-0339, hpilson@cafefearcog.org

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WMU

November 11, 2019; 10:00 A.M.

Call to Prayer: Juanita Stanley

Program: Martha Senter

November Missions Project: Families First

Operation Christmas Child: November 1st is the deadline to have Christmas Shoe Boxes to the church office. Remember to get your shoe box ready! There are several boxes on the missions table in the fellowship hall. You can also use a plastic box about the size of a shoe box available at one of the dollar stores in town or cover a regular shoe box with Christmas wrapping paper.

Families First: This month we will collect donations and supplies for Families First, the domestic violence shelter. You can give cash or make a check payable to First Baptist Church and designate it for Families First on the envelope, or you can bring items such as paper towels, bathroom tissue, cleaning supplies, toiletries, etc. and place them on the Missions Table in the Fellowship Hall. Everything you give will be appreciated!

Watchword: "My dear friends, stand firm and don't be shaken. <u>Always keep busy working for the Lord.</u> You know that everything you do for him is worthwhile." 1 Cor. 15:58

Our Mission

... is to inform and inspire Christians to influence their world for Christ.

Myrtle Corbett WMU Director

SUNSHINE PROJECT

On Monday, November 18, we will meet at **9:00 a.m.** in the fellowship hall to make fruit baskets for our homebound. If you know of someone you would like for us to deliver a basket to, please call the church office. This is for both our church members and the community.

FISH FRY

The Family Life Committee has planned a fish fry for the church family on **November 23 at 5:30 p.m.** There is no cost for the event, but we will need to know how many will be attending. Be on the look out for sign up sheets coming soon. You can always call the office to let us know if you would like to attend.



COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

This year, our Annual Community Thanksgiving Service will take place on **November 24** at 6:00 p.m. here at **First Baptist Church**. This is a time for us to come together as a community and give thanks for all the blessings God has given us. First Presbyterian pastor Dr. Joseph Washburn will be delivering the sermon for the service. Light refreshments will follow the service. Attend with your family and friends!





Christmas Poinsettias/Wreaths

Please keep separate from regular offerings and return **all** forms **to the church office** no later than **Monday, November 18, 2019.**

Person Placing Order	Given By	
Poinsettias @ \$7.00 each	Wreaths @ \$45.00 each	Tree (any amount) \$
Total Check Amount : \$	Check Number :	
In Memory/Honor (circle one)		
of:		

HOMECOMING

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD

Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.

Guest Speaker: Dr. Andrew Barnhill (interim pastor 2015)

Join us in celebrating 185 years of ministry to this community and around the world.

SHARE IN GIVING TO THE ANNUAL HARVEST DAY OFFERING: GOAL \$3,200.00

This year's offering will be divided between Repairs & Contingency (60%) and Local Mission Needs (40%) (schools, benevolence, Harvest Table, Operation Inasmuch).

You are invited to join us for a covered dish meal in the Fellowship Hall following morning worship.

Please invite your family and friends!

	November 2019						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri 1 Office Closed	Sat 2	
3 Homecoming/Harvest Day 9:45 Sunday School 10:30 Chancel Choir Warmup 11:00 Morning Worship & Children's Worship 4:30 Youth/Adult Handbells	4 10:00 Staff Meeting	5	6 5:00 Children's Choir (Grades 1-5) 5:45 Wednesday Night Supper 6:30 Prayer Meeting, Bible Study, Godly Play Children's Program 7:15 Chancel Choir	7	8	9 9am-1pm Deacon Training at Liberty Medical Office	
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