

CHURCH WIDE MINISTRY

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAYS - 9:30 AM

JOIN US IN-PERSON
Or WATCH LIVE:
andersonfbc.org/watch-live/
[Facebook.com/firstbaptistanderson](https://www.facebook.com/firstbaptistanderson)

SUNDAYS - 10:30 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL

WEDNESDAYS - 7:00 PM

ON THE RADIO
104.7 FM and 1020 AM



Volunteer to come to the church to spend at least one hour each week--at a time and day of your choosing--in prayer for those who are in crisis, are sick, or are experiencing other needs. We have a room dedicated for this purpose. There, volunteers can pray, make phone calls, and write cards to those for whom they are praying. Contact the church office to find out more about the Intercessory Prayer Team ministry or to sign up for a time to participate. Would you like the team to pray for your needs? Contact the church office or use the "Contact Us" link on the church website, andersonfbc.org

YOUTH MINISTRY

YOUTH GROUP

Today from 4:00 - 5:30 PM
Meet in the Pavilion

YARD SALE!

MAY 14TH 5:00 - 8:00 PM
MAY 15TH 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

FBC FAMILY LIFE CENTER

ALL PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT FBC ANDERSON
YOUTH MISSION TEAMS

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

MISSION RACERS

Wednesday, May 19th
5:30 - 7:30 PM



Join us at the Pavilion to make and race LEGO cars! Boys and girls are welcome, and there will be a Children's and Youth Division. We will be serving a light "picnic supper" of hotdogs. Everyone is invited to join! If you plan to come, please follow the link to register by May 5. <http://bit.ly/FBCMisionRacers>



GA RECOGNITION

June 9th — 6:30 - 7:00 PM
In the Pavilion

JUNE 21 - 24
5:30 - 8:30 PM
5K-5TH GRADE



A LIGHT "PICNIC SUPPER" WILL BE PROVIDED FOR THE CHILDREN EACH EVENING.

GET OUT YOUR MICROSCOPES AND LAB EQUIPMENT, AND JOIN US FOR A CRAZY SCIENCE ADVENTURE IN WHICH WE LEARN ABOUT THE MIRACLES OF JESUS! SCIENCE TEACHES US WHAT IS POSSIBLE IN OUR WORLD AND WHY IT IS POSSIBLE; BUT GOD DOES AND IS DOING THE IMPOSSIBLE!
PLEASE FOLLOW THE LINK TO REGISTER BY JUNE 1ST.
<http://bit.ly/FBCAndersonVBS2021>

MEMBERS IN ACTION

Next Sunday, May 9

Offertory Prayer: Leslie Walker

Ushers: Chad Walker, Steve Madden, and Thomas Roach

Security: T. J. Fusco and Chad Walker



FIRST BAPTIST

ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

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As children of God, and with the help of the Holy Spirit, we believe that we have been called to serve alongside Jesus in the beautiful work of bringing heaven to earth.

Welcome

May 2, 2021

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

Today we worship as one congregation in multiple locations: in-person, online, and via the radio. Wherever you're located as you worship God with us, we encourage you to pause to become aware of God's presence with you as you worship.

The fullness of the resurrection requires more than a single day to celebrate. Easter season is a fifty-day celebration that ends on Pentecost Sunday, May 23. This is a time to let the implications of the resurrection sink in deeper, inviting us to realign our worldview and conform our living to the reality that we have been raised with Christ to new life. Easter is full of joy and the laughter of love—the grave is empty, love has won, Christ is risen!

Members in Action Today

Offertory Prayer:
Alicia Neal Dykes

Ushers:
Janet Geisel
Becky Campbell
Bolt McClain

Security:
Charlie Campbell
Greg Shore

Mr. Mike Darby, Housing Ministry Manager
Mrs. Janice Fouts, Financial Assistant
Mrs. Shannon Griffin, CDC Director
Mrs. Ramona Hallman, Organist
Dr. Josh Hunt, Pastor
Rev. Chris Liles, Associate Pastor
Mrs. Chrys Marett, Food Service Manager
Mr. Kyle Minyard, Student Ministry Intern
Rev. Cara Morgan, Minister to Children
Mrs. Sharon Royals, Ministry Assistant
Mr. Jamie Smith, Asst. Music Director
Mrs. Kelly Smith, Pianist
Mr. Addrian Wilson, Minister of Music
Mr. Greg Wilson, Facilities Manager

The Worship of God

“For all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.” -Romans 3:23-24

Gathering for Worship Kelly Smith, Pianist

Welcome Chris Liles

Prelude *How Can I Keep from Singing* ENDLESS SONG
Duet: Jamie Smith and Addrian Wilson

Chiming of the Trinity

Invocation Chris Liles

*Hymn *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* BEECHER

*Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heav’n, to earth come down;
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, Thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation; enter ev’ry trembling heart.*

*Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit, into ev’ry troubled breast!
Let us all in Thee inherit, let us find the promised rest;
Take away our bent to sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.*

*Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all Thy grace receive;
Suddenly return, and never, never more Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise Thee without ceasing, glory in Thy perfect love.*

*Finish, then, Thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation perfectly restored in Thee:
Changed from glory into glory, till in heav’n we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.*

Pastoral Prayer Cara Morgan

Songs of Praise and Worship Ensemble

Sovereign Over Us - M.W. Smith

Offertory Prayer Alicia Neal Dykes

*Praising God For His Gifts To Us

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*Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts!
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

(Children please exit for Children’s Worship at this time.)

Anthem *What Grace Is Mine* arr. Keith Getty
Sanctuary Choir

Scripture: Acts 8:26-40 Kyle Minyard

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God
People: Thanks be to God

Sermon “How Can I Unless Someone Explains It to Me?” Josh Hunt

*Hymn of Invitation *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

*Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
In my heart, in my Heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.*

*Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart, in my heart,
Lord I want to be more loving in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.*

*Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.*

*Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.*

Benediction Josh Hunt

Postlude *Trumpet Ovation* Gilbert Martin
Ramona Hallman, Organist

Children’s Worship
We invite elementary-aged children to attend Children’s Worship during the service this morning. During the offertory music, our Children’s Worship leaders will exit with children at the front door to the right of the sanctuary. This will be a time for a child-focused discussion of Scripture and worship themes, and will be followed by Sunday School in the same space. Parents may pick up their children from the Rock Room on the third floor of the education building at 11:30.

The Invitation
We invite you to commit your life to Jesus Christ as His disciple and to join our congregation as a member. We receive members in one of three ways: upon profession of faith in Christ followed by believer’s baptism; by transfer of membership from another Christian church; or by statement of previous Christian experience. This process begins when you respond to the invitation at the conclusion of worship by coming forward to request membership. It continues with a conversation with one of our ministers, a new member orientation (offered periodically), and a vote by the congregation at a quarterly business meeting. We’d love the opportunity to talk with you about becoming a Christian or joining our church as a member.

Prelude

We invite you to use the prelude as an opportunity to prepare for worship and recognize the Holy Spirit among us. This is a time to consider what may take place in our worship of God.

Cheerful Giving Is a Part of Worship

We will not pass our offering plates during the service this morning. Instead, please place your tithe or offering in the boxes by the door as you leave the sanctuary. We also encourage electronic giving, available at andersonfbc.org/give, through our church app, or by texting [fbcanderson](tel:73256) and a dollar amount to 73256.

*Please stand if able.