

FIRST BAPTIST'S SEASON OF PRAYER CONTINUES

Join us as we pray these two questions twice each day:

Lord, who would you have us as a congregation be?

Lord, what would you have us as a congregation do?

CHURCHWIDE MINISTRY

CHURCH CONFERENCE AND LUNCHEON

Next Sunday, January 29

11:30 AM - Fellowship Hall

PLEASE NOTE: RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN

To make a reservation please call the church office or visit andersonfbc.org/community. The deadline to make a reservation is 3:00 PM Wednesday, January 25.

COST: \$10 per adult (no cost for children 18 and under)

MENU: Parmesan Crusted Chicken, Cheesy Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Garden Salad, Dessert: Apple Dumplings

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

THE MARGARET WILLIAMS BIBLE STUDY

This Tuesday, January 24 at 10:00 AM
in Room #212

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

NURSERY WORKERS NEEDED

Our Nursery is looking for individuals willing to care specifically for infants during the worship hour. If this is something that you are interested in, or you know someone who may be interested, please contact Cara at cara.morgan@andersonfbc.org.

PASSPORTkids

Parent Meeting

Thursday, January 26th — 7:00 PM via Zoom

(Cara will send out a zoom link to parents the week of the meeting.)

SAVE THE DATES!

FAITHFUL FAMILIES WORKSHOP

Saturday, February 25

EASTER EVENT — Saturday, April 1

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL — June 12-15

PASSPORT KIDS — June 26-29

OPPORTUNITIES AT FIRST BAPTIST

Monday, January 23

1:00 PM Staff Meeting

Tuesday, January 24

10:00 PM The Margaret Williams Bible Study

Wednesday, January 25

5:15 PM Fellowship Hall Doors Open

5:30 PM Handbell Choir (meets above the Chapel)

5:45 PM Children's Music and Missions

Youth Group

6:05 PM Bible Study

7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 26

7:00 PM Passport Kids Parent Meeting (Zoom)

Sunday, January 29

9:30 AM Worship

10:30 AM Sunday School

11:30 AM Church Conference and Luncheon

5:00 PM Youth Group

MEMBERS IN ACTION

Next Sunday, January 29

Offertory Prayer: Greg Shore

Visitor Outreach: Kelly Neal

Children's Worship: Children will remain in the service

Security: Jimmy Cooley and Chad Waters

CONDOLENCES

Family and friends of Audrey Branyon on her passing on December 31, 2022.

Emmie Hazle and family on the passing of her sister, Eva Burke of Aiken, SC, on January 12, 2023.

April McBride and family on the passing of her nephew, A. J. Badders on January 16, 2023.



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

January 22, 2023

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

We are grateful for your presence this morning and invite you to participate in the worship, study, service, and Fellowship life of First Baptist Church. For 200 years, this church has gathered to worship in response to God's presence among us. This is the primary act of our congregation; it defines us and unites us. We joyfully welcome you this morning as we worship God together.

Ordination means "to set apart for a particular ministry or service." Today, we set apart three individuals to serve as deacons. Deacons provide pastoral ministry within the congregation, they work to foster unity the Body of Christ, and they keep our church and its ministries in their prayers. As family ministers, they work alongside our ministerial staff in meeting needs within our congregation. Please pray for our deacons and their crucial ministry to our church. Pray, too, that God would show you how you can continue to invest your life to make a difference in the lives of others.

Serving Today

Offertory Prayer: Donna Nelson

Visitor Outreach: Joe Drennon

Acolytes: Harper Gilmer and Adelyn Smith

Trinity Chimes: Tessa Liles

Children's Worship: Lisa Wallace

Security: Chad Walker and Thomas Roach

Rev. Naomi Black-Bass, Minister to Youth

Mr. Mike Darby, Housing Ministry Manager

Mrs. Kele Davenport, Office Manager

Mrs. Shannon Griffin, CDC Director

Mrs. Ramona Hallman, Organist

Miss Kendra Hamilton, Musician in Residence

Dr. Josh Hunt, Pastor

Rev. Chris Liles, Associate Pastor

Rev. Cara Morgan, Minister to Children

Mrs. Sharon Royals, Communications Manager

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

“The greatest among you will be your servant” -Matthew 23:11

Gathering for Worship Kelly Smith, Pianist

Welcome Naomi Black-Bass

Prelude *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee* arr. Gilbert Martin
Ramona Hallman, Organist

Chiming of the Trinity

Pastoral Prayer Cara Morgan

Prayer concludes by saying in unison:

**Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who have trespassed against
us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the
kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*Songs of Praise and Worship Praise Team

Lean On O King Eternal - arr. Chapman

Offertory Prayer Donna Nelson

Offertory Music *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace* arr. Douglas Wagner

*Praising God For His Gifts To Us OLD 100TH

Doxology

**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**

Why the Robes?

Like our choir, members of our ministerial staff wear robes as a sign of their respect for their work in leading worship, as a sign of their collegiality with one another, and so that their own clothing doesn't distract from their responsibility in leading our church in worship.

Pastoral Prayer

Led by one of our ministers, this prayer is offered for our church and on behalf of our church. Have a prayer request? Let us know how we can pray for you. Fill out the Prayer Request form on the card in the pew in front of you or contact the church office at 864-224-1622 or sharon.royals@andersonfbc.org

Cheerful Giving Is a Part of Worship

While we will collect offering by passing our offering plates, we also have the ability to receive gifts electronically. Electronic giving is available at andersonfbc.org/give, through our church app, or by texting fbcanderson and a dollar amount to 73256.

*Please stand if able.

*Hymn No. 589

Ye Servants of God

LYONS

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

Scripture **Acts 6:1-15; 7:54-60**
(Pew Bible page 1083)

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

Sermon "A New Resolution: I Serve" Josh Hunt

Deacon Ordination

Anthem *Lord, Here Am I* John Ness Beck
Sanctuary Choir

Master, Thou callest, I gladly obey, Only direct me, And I'll find Thy way.
Teach me the mission Appointed for me, What is my labor, And where it shall be.
Master, Thou callest, And this I reply, "Ready and willing, Lord here am I."

Willing, my Savior, To take up the cross; Willing to suffer Reproaches and loss;
Willing to follow, If Thou will but lead, Only support me With grace in my need.
Master, Thou callest, And this I reply, "Ready and willing, Lord here am I."

Living or dying, I still would be Thine, Yet I am mortal While Thou art divine.
Pardon, whenever I turn from the right; Pity and bring me again to the light,
Master, Thou callest, And this I reply, "Ready and willing, Lord here am I."

Ordination Litany (refer to insert) Chris Liles

Laying on of Hands

*Hymn No. 262 *Word of God, Across the Ages* AUSTRIAN HYMN

Postlude: *Trumpet Voluntary* Gordon Young
Ramona Hallman, Organist

Children's Worship

We invite elementary-aged children to attend Children's Worship during the service this morning. Our Children's Worship leaders will exit with children at the front door to the right of the sanctuary when indicated in the bulletin. 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 (329) 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.