

YOUTH MINISTRY



YOUTH SUMMER EVENTS

July 6 — Sunday Funday Pool Party

July 20 — Sunday Funday at the Lake

July 23 — 6:00-8:30 PM
Tennis Baseball at Ducworth
Complex and Dinner



Empowering Students • Embracing the World • Extending Grace

SEND SOME LOVE TO OUR FBC YOUTH
AT PASSPORT CAMPI

Our FBC Youth will be heading to Passport Camp from **July 13–18**, and we'd love for you to be part of the experience—right from home!

If you'd like to encourage one (or more!) of our campers with a letter, note, or card, be sure to drop it in the mail by **July 15** so it arrives in time. Your words of support can make their week even more meaningful!

Camper Name, First Baptist Church, Anderson
PASSPORTchoices at Converse University
580 East Main Street
Spartanburg, SC 29302

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

PLEASE NOTE:

The Third Thursday Senior Adult Ministry will be taking a break in July and will not meet. Stay tuned to upcoming Bulletins, Beacon, or First Glance for details about the August gathering.

OPPORTUNITIES AT FIRST BAPTIST

Thursday, July 3

Church Office Closed

Beacon Published

Sunday, July 6

9:00 AM

Summer Choir Rehearsal

9:30 AM

Worship

10:30 AM

Sunday School

MEMBERS IN ACTION

NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 6

Offertory Prayer:

Timothy Clardy

Visitor Outreach:

Thomas Roach

Children's Worship:

Leslie Walker and Sammy Gilmer

Security:

Charlie Ballentine and Jack Abraham

PLEASE NOTE

DO YOU HAVE A NEW ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER OR EMAIL?

If you have a change in address, phone number or email, please notify the church office by calling 224-1622 or email sharon.royals@andersonfbc.org

More information about our church, a schedule of our activities, staff contact information, sermon audio, digital copies of our publications, and more are available at AndersonFBC.org





FIRST BAPTIST

ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

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Welcome

June 29, 2025

Welcome!

We're so grateful for your presence this morning and invite you to engage fully in the worship, study, service, and fellowship life of First Baptist Church. For 200 years, this congregation has gathered in response to God's presence among us—worship is at the heart of who we are. It defines us, unites us, and brings us joy as we gather together in God's name.

Whether you're a longtime member or visiting for the first time, we're glad you're here. Our prayer is that you encounter God in a meaningful way during our time of worship.

If you're a first-time guest, please take a moment to fill out the visitor card located on the back of the pew. You can use it to join our mailing list, share a prayer request, or reach out to our staff with any questions. If you're exploring your faith, we're here to walk alongside you and help you discover more about Christianity, our church, and what it means to grow in a relationship with Jesus Christ.

We're so glad you've joined us today. May you experience God's love and grace in a powerful way this morning.

Serving Today

Offertory Prayer:
Tom Allen

Visitor Outreach:
Hannah Wimpey

Children's Worship:
Children will remain in the service.

Security:
Jimmy Cooley and Chad Walker

Miss Mary Alice Edmonds, Organist

Mrs. Shannon Griffin, CDC Director

Mr. Ethan Harper, Music Intern

Mrs. Lesley Hudgins, Financial Manager

Mrs. Sharon Royals, Communications Manager

Miss Natalie Rutledge, Musician in Residence

Mr. Jamie Smith, Asst. Music Director

Mrs. Kelly Smith, Pianist

Mr. Addrian Wilson, Minister of Music

Mr. Greg Wilson, Facilities Manager

Dr. Jim Wooten, Interim Pastor

The Worship of God

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
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.

Gathering Music	<i>Partita #2 in D Minor</i> Sara Kate Smith, Violinist	J. S. Bach
Welcome		Jim Wooten
Prelude	<i>On Golden Pond</i> Kelly Smith, Pianist	Dave Grusin
Chiming of the Trinity		
Anthem	<i>Chariots of Fire</i> Handbell Choir	arr. John F. Wilson
*Hymn No. 8	<i>A Mighty Fortress Is Our God</i>	EIN’ FESTE BURG
Solo	<i>Brother James’ Air</i> Tami Atkins	James L. Bain
Invocation		Jim Wooten
Anthem	<i>As the Deer</i> Summer Choir	arr. Buryl Red
	As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after you alone. You alone are my heart’s desire and I long to worship you; for you, for you alone are my strength, my shield; to you alone may my spirit yield. You alone are my heart’s desire and I long to worship you. You alone are my strength, my shield; you alone, you alone. You alone are my heart’s desire, and I long to worship you.	
Violin Duet	<i>Sonata in D Major</i> Natalie Rutledge and Sara Kate Smith, Violinists	G. Telemann
*Hymn No. 7	<i>Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee</i>	HYMN TO JOY
Solo	<i>The Lord Is My Light</i> Anne Whitney, Soloist	Frances Allitsen
	(Children will remain in the service today.)	
Offertory Prayer		Tom Allen
Offertory Music	<i>Sheep May Safely Graze</i> Nichole Niemeyer, Flautist	J. S. Bach
Praising God For His Gifts To Us		GLORIA PATRI
	<i>Glory Be to the Father</i>	
	Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end. Amen, Amen.	
Solo	<i>A Believer’s Prayer</i> Ethan Harper, Soloist	Sally DeFord

Anthem	<i>O God Beyond All Praising</i> Summer Choir	arr. Dan Forrest
	O God beyond all praising, we worship You today and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay; For we can only wonder at every gift you send, at blessings without number and mercies without end: We lift our hearts before You and wait upon Your word, we honor and adore You, our great and mighty Lord. For we can only wonder at every gift you send, at blessings without number and mercies without end: For Christ, your gift from heaven, from death has set us free, and we through Him are given the final victory. Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring, that we who know your favor may serve you as our King; and whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill, we’ll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless You still: To marvel at Your beauty and glory in Your ways, and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.	
Morning Prayer		Ann Louise Nicolopulos
Solo	<i>Lord’s Prayer</i> Jamie Smith, Trumpeter	
*Hymn No. 614	<i>Fill the Earth with Music</i>	WYE VALLEY
Duet	<i>Just As I Am, I Come</i> Elizabeth Johnson/Hannah Wilson, Sopranos	arr. Mary McDonald
Anthem	<i>O God, Our Help in Ages Past</i> Summer Choir	arr. Camp Kirkland
	O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast and our eternal home. Under the shadow of Thy throne still may we dwell secure. Sufficient is Thine arm alone and our defense is sure. Before the hills in order stood or earth received her frame, from everlasting Thou art God to endless years the same. A thousand ages in Thy sight is like an evening gone, short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, be Thou our guide while life shall last and our eternal home. O God, our help, our hope! Amen.	
Choral Benediction	<i>The Lord Bless You and Keep You</i>	BENEDICTION
Postlude	<i>Rigaudon</i> Mary Alice Edmonds, Organist	Andre Campra

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.