

CHURCHWIDE MINISTRY


CHURCH-WIDE BACK TO SCHOOL BASH!
TODAY! — 4:00 – 7:00 PM AT THE PAVILION

Let’s celebrate the start of the new school year with food, fun, and **FELLOWSHIP FOR ALL AGES!**

We’ll have Pizza, Inflatable Water Slide, Games, and Ice Cream/Dessert. FBC will provide the pizza, families please bring a churn of Ice Cream or Dessert if you don’t have a churn.

CHURCH CONFERENCE AND LUNCHEON
AUGUST 24 — 11:30 AM IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
Cost: \$12 per person, children 18 and under are free
Menu: Roast Beef with Gravy (Chicken Tenders for Kids), Yeast Roll, Creamed Potatoes, Garden Salad, Strawberry Cake

To make a reservation please visit andersonfbc.org/community or scan the QR code by 3:00 PM Wednesday, August 20.



SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY



AUGUST 21

Meet at Noon for lunch at Dyars Diner
(2216 Old Greenville Hwy., Pendleton, SC 29670)
Plan to play around in Downtown Pendleton after lunch.
Please call the church office to make a reservation by 3:00 PM on Thursday, August 14.

CDC UPDATE



NOW ENROLLING!
For more information call (864)224-2635

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Lenora Faye Wimpey

August 5, 2025
8 lbs. 15 oz. 20 in.

Proud Parents: Aaron and Hannah Wimpey
Siblings: Wilson and Dorotheia
Grandparents: Addrian and Kim Wilson

STAFF ANNIVERSARIES

August 10 — Kelly Smith — 17 years
August 15 — Addrian Wilson — 12 years
August 19 — Greg Wilson — 42 years

MUSIC MINISTRY

CHRISTMAS CHOIR MUSIC PREVIEW
SATURDAY, AUGUST 30

For anyone who would like to participate in this year’s Christmas Choir, we will preview the Christmas Music and enjoy lunch in the Fellowship Hall.

10:00 AM - Noon: Cost for lunch is \$12.00
RSVP to sharon.royals@andersonfbc.org by Friday, August 22.

****Christmas Choir Rehearsals will begin on Wednesday, September 3, 7:00-7:30 PM.****

YOUTH MINISTRY

YOUTH FALL RETREAT 2025
OCTOBER 10-12 — LOOKUP LODGE

\$100 per student
Call or text (864)376-8698 to let Shelby Clardy know if you plan to attend.

THANK YOU NOTE!

First Baptist Church Friends in Christ,
Your presence at Doug’s memorial service, your many cards and your prayers mean much to me.
Doug counted it a privilege to serve His Lord for 38 years at FBC.
In Christ,
Marcia Stow

OPPORTUNITIES AT FIRST BAPTIST

Wednesday, August 13
5:30 PM Handbell Choir (above the Chapel)
5:45 PM Children’s Music and Missions (Rock Room)
Youth Group (Gym)
7:00 PM Youth “Homework & Hangout” (Gym)
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, August 17
9:30 AM Worship
10:30 AM Sunday School
11:30 AM Deacons Meeting

MEMBERS IN ACTION

NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 17
Offertory Prayer: Dale Ellenburg
Visitor Outreach: Jack Anderson
Children’s Worship: January Menees and Aaron Wimpey
Security: Terry Atkins and Thomas Roach



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Welcome

August 10, 2025

	Serving Today Offertory Prayer: Sonny Reed Visitor Outreach: Susan Reed Children’s Worship: Hannah Wimpey and Matt Wilson Security: T. J. Fusco and Adam Gathers
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.	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.

Welcome Joe Drennon

Prelude *Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord* Robert Lau
Mary Alice Edmonds, Organist

Chiming of the Trinity

*Hymn No. 395 *God of Grace and God of Glory* CWM RHONDA

Responsive Reading Joe Drennon

Leader: We give thanks for the grace God has freely given—

People: Mercy we did not earn, love we do not deserve.

Leader: We are grateful for those who have shown us compassion,

People: For gentle words and patient hearts that lifted us up.

Leader: May we, in turn, extend grace to one another,

People: Becoming vessels of encouragement and healing.

Leader: Let our church be known for its benevolence and its care,

People: A reflection of Christ’s kindness in every act and word.

ALL: Gracious God, shape us into a community of love—welcoming, forgiving, and always pointing to You.

Invocation Joe Drennon

*Songs of Praise and Worship Praise Team
Open the Eyes of My Heart - Baloché
The More I Seek You - Neese

Offertory Prayer Sonny Reed

Offertory Music *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* Charles Gounod

*Please stand if able.

Praising God For His Gifts To Us

GLORIA PATRI

Glory Be to the Father

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.

Anthem *I Must Tell Jesus/Blessed Assurance* Mary McDonald
Sanctuary Choir

I must tell Jesus all of my trials; I cannot bear these burdens alone;
In my distress He kindly will help me; He ever loves and cares for His own.

I must tell Jesus! I must tell Jesus! I cannot bear my burdens alone;
I must tell Jesus! I must tell Jesus! Jesus can help me, Jesus alone.

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.
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(Children please exit for Children’s Worship at this time.)

Morning Prayer Liz Marvin

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.

Scripture **Acts 11:19-26**
(Pew Bible Page 1090)

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

Sermon **“St. Barney’s Church”** Jim Wooten

*Hymn No. 401 *Break Out, O Church of God* ST. THOMAS

Benediction Jim Wooten

Postlude *Sortie* arr. Michael Ryan
Mary Alice Edmonds, 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.