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<div>OPPORTUNITIES AT FIRST BAPTIST</div> <div>Sunday, October 12</div> <div>9:30 AM Worship</div> <div>10:30 AM Sunday School</div> <div>Wednesday, October 15</div> <div>5:30 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal (above the Chapel)</div> <div>5:45 PM Children's Music & Mission (Rock Room)</div> <div>Youth Group (Gym)</div> <div>6:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)</div> <div>7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal</div> <div>Youth "Homework and Hangout" (Gym)</div> <div>Thursday, October 16</div> <div>11:15 AM Third Thursday (Meet in front of the Fellowship Hall)</div> <div>Sunday, October 19</div> <div>9:30 AM Worship</div> <div>10:30 AM Sunday School</div> <div>11:30 AM Deacons Meeting (Deacons Conference Room)</div> <div>Wednesday, October 22</div> <div>5:30 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal (above the Chapel)</div> <div>5:45 PM Children's Music & Mission (Rock Room)</div> <div>Youth Group (Gym)</div> <div>6:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)</div> <div>7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal</div> <div>Youth "Homework and Hangout" (Gym)</div> <div>Thursday, October 23</div> <div>Beacon Published</div>	
<div>MEMBERS IN ACTION</div> <div><div>October 12</div><div>Deacons of the Week:</div><div>Timothy Clardy, Offertory Prayer</div><div>Dewey Boyd, Visitor Outreach</div><div>Children's Worship:</div><div>Hannah Wimpey and Aaron Wimpey</div><div>Security:</div><div>T. J. Fusco and Adam Gathers</div></div> <div><div>October 19</div><div>Deacons of the Week:</div><div>Kathy Adams, Offertory Prayer</div><div>Mathias Richardson, Visitor Outreach</div><div>Children's Worship:</div><div>Children will remain in the service.</div><div>Security:</div><div>Terry Atkins and Thomas Roach</div></div>	

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CHURCH CONFERENCE AND LUNCHEON

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26

11:30 AM IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

ELECT DEACONS, ELECT COMMITTEES, AND PRESENT THE 2026 BUDGET

MENU:

Parmesan-Crusted Chicken (Chicken Tenders for Kids), Yeast Roll, Broccoli Casserole, Blueberry Salad, Coconut Cake

COST:

\$12 per person and children 18 and under are free. Please call the church office, scan the QR Code, or visit andersonfbc.org/community to make a reservation by October 22.

HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

Friday, October 31 - 5:30 - 8:30 PM

1807 Lindale Rd., Anderson, SC 29621

Crafts, Games, Hot Chocolate, Roasted Marshmallows, and Lots of Candy

We need lots of volunteers, candy, and new/gently used stuffed animals. If you are interested in helping, please contact Timothy Clardy. (Please bring candy and stuffed animal donations to the church office or drop off in the vestibule.)

We also need soup/chili and individually packaged desserts. Please contact Nichole Niemeyer if interested in helping with food.

A REPORT FROM THE DEACON TEAM ASSIGNED TO THE MISSIONS CLUSTER

Becky Campbell, Sonny Reed, Tom Allen, Greg Shore

Missions (along with Outreach) is part of the outward focus of the church. Both areas of emphasis are concerned with sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ *in word and in deed* with the world around us. The distinction is that with Outreach, the hope is that those whom we reach and serve will become a part of our church. Missions focuses on ways for our congregation to share the gospel to meet the needs of people outside our church (even to “the uttermost parts of the earth”) with no expectation they will necessarily become part of our church. Missions seeks to reach beyond the walls of our church to where people are in need and to make a difference in their lives in the name of Jesus.

Beyond promoting financial support of various Missions partnerships, our church seeks to provide avenues and encouragement for all of our members to engage in activities and projects that impact the lives of people in need, following the Acts 1:8 model... *Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the earth.*

We envision that, in days to come, there will be opportunities for mission trips and partnerships that will take groups of us to different parts of our world, near and far. Our Deacon Team stands ready to help encourage and facilitate such ventures, as interest and opportunity arise; but for now, our focus is on strengthening and broadening our local missions impact.

The first step is clarifying what our church is currently doing in this area. At the present time we are aware of the following local mission teams and emphases (with those who have agreed to be the leaders/contact persons listed in each area):

1. South Main Chapel and Mercy Center Team (prepares bag lunches every Monday and serves occasional Sunday lunches) **Lucia Wilson 864-940-9845**
2. Margaret Williams Bible Study Team (gives to and supports missions, with open hands, to many local groups and organizations that serve in the Anderson community) **Emmie Hazle 864-376-8765**
3. Manning Street Church Cooperative Team (an effort of co-ministry mission work on Manning Street- FBC, St. John's UMC, and Grace Episcopal; supports such projects as community gardening, Family Promise, fund-raisers, community workdays, and other ministry events) **Elizabeth Johnson 864-749-2077**
4. Saturday Servants Team (prepares weekend bag lunches quarterly for community hunger needs in low-income neighborhoods) **Greg Shore 864-444-6272**
5. Wilmary Housing Ministry Trustees (provides safe, secure, and affordable living quarters for low-income seniors) **Sonny Reed 864-934-8110**
6. Child Development Center Committee (provides full day care and an after-school program for preschool children) **Debbie Davenport 864-376-6394**
7. Carolina Hybrid Academy Liaison (provides space three days a week for Christian based in-class and home school program) **Ann Self 864-226-1812**
8. Children/Youth Mission Team (gives children/youth opportunities to learn about mission work and mission projects) **Ann Campbell 864-958-0091**

If you would like to be a part of a mission team or would like more information, please contact the person listed above in your area of interest or Becky Campbell, our Deacon Team leader (864-958-2132).

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY



Thursday, October 16

11:15 AM - 2:30 PM

Meet in front of the Fellowship Hall to ride the bus or carpool.

LUNCH AT COLD SPRING CAFÉ

1151 HWY. 20, Abbeville, SC

Followed by

DESSERT AT SWARTZENTRUBERS BAKERY

139 HWY. 28 S., Abbeville, SC

Call the Church Office to sign up by 3:00 PM on October 9.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

**MARGARET WILLIAMS
BIBLE STUDY**

Tuesday, October 28 — 10:00 AM in the Bridal Suite

Mission Focus: The Patrick Harris Hospital
Christmas Gift Packs

Please Note: We'll meet on the Third Tuesday for November (18) and December (16)

COMING SOON!

**ALL SAINTS SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2 — 9:30 am**

Join us for this meaningful and reflective service as we come together to honor and remember our beloved FBC members who have passed away over the past year.

THANK YOU NOTE

Thank you to everyone who continues to bring plastic bags for AIM's food pantry! They want you to know how much they truly appreciate your generosity. Keep them coming!

STAFF ANNIVERSARIES

October 1

Mary Alice Edmonds — 1 year