

CHURCHWIDE MINISTRY

January 18 - 9:30 AM

BAPTISMAL SERVICE FOR Justin Hall

January 18 — 10:45-Noon
"MEET FIRST BAPTIST" FOR NEW AND
PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS (Room 215)

The 3rd session of the three part introduction to life at FBC Anderson. Every church (like every person) has a unique personality and distinctive ways of doing things. These sessions are designed as an opportunity to get better acquainted and to answer questions you may have- whether you have been coming here for a while or whether you have just started attending; whether you have recently joined or are just exploring possibilities of uniting with our church. Please contact Sharon in the church office by calling (864-224-1622) or email sharon.royals@andersonfbc.org, or contact Jim Wooten directly by texting (843-271-7520) or by email (wootenj83@gmail.com) to let us know you plan to attend.

January 25 - 10:30 AM CHURCH CONFERENCE

The January Church Conference will not include a luncheon due to the unavailability of our caterer. To ensure the conference concludes in a timely manner and allows everyone time for lunch, Sunday School will not meet that day. The conference will be held at **10:30 AM**, immediately following the morning worship service.

February 8 — 2:00 - 4:00 PM "NOT SO SUPER BOWL"

Join us for our annual Not So Super Bowl flag football game at **Watson Park** (off Bellview Rd)! No commercials, no halftime drama, just good laughs, friendly competition, and lots of fun. All are welcome, whether you're ready to play or just cheer from the sidelines!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

MARGARET WILLIAMS BIBLE STUDY

January 27—10:00 AM

In the Bridal Suite

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for caring volunteers to serve in our **Nursery during Worship and Sunday School** on a rotating schedule. Your willingness to help makes a big difference for our families! If you are interested in serving, please contact Ann Self (864-226-1812) or Elana Roach (864-940-4199).

YOUTH MINISTRY

February 1 — 5:00 - 8:00 PM
YOUTH SUNDAY FUNDAY
UNDERGROUND CHURCH

Meet in the Fellowship Hall to kick off the night with a taco bar!

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT



Teddy Bolt Boulware

December 31, 2025

Proud Parents: Garrett and Kelsey Boulware

Grandparents: Steve and Debbie Hand

OPPORTUNITIES AT FIRST BAPTIST

Wednesday, January 14

- 5:30 PM Handbell Choir (above the Chapel)
- 5:45 PM Children's Music and Missions
- Youth Group (Gym)
- 6:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- Youth "Homework & Hangout" (Gym)

Thursday, January 15

- 12:00 PM Third Thursday Senior Adult Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, January 18

- 9:30 AM Worship
- 10:30 AM Sunday School
- 10:45 AM Meet FBC Session 3 (Room 215)

MEMBERS IN ACTION

NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 18

Offertory Prayer: Dewey Boyd

Visitor Outreach: David Turner

Children's Worship: January Menees and Ann Newton

Security: Matt Lathrop and Greg Shore



F1RST BAPTIST
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

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Welcome

January 11, 2026

Serving Today

Offertory Prayer:
Charlie Campbell

Visitor Outreach:
Al Whitney

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

Security:
Charlie Campbell and Vince Rutledge

Miss Mary Alice Edmonds, Organist

Mrs. Shannon Griffin, CDC Director

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

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.

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.

Welcome

Prelude

Chorale: How Brightly Beams the Morning Star

Mary Alice Edmonds, Organist

Chiming of the Trinity

Call to Worship

Leader: God of calling and promise, You place Your gifts within Your people for the building up of the church.

People: We give thanks for the ways You call ordinary people to join You in meaningful pursuits.

Leader: You call deacons to lead with integrity, to serve with compassion, and to walk humbly before You.

People: Grant them wisdom, courage, and joy as they follow where You lead.

Leader: You also call this whole church to lives of faithful service and shared ministry.

People: Stir within us all a deeper commitment to duty and devotion.

Leader: Shape us as a community marked by humility, generosity, and grace.

People: Teach us to encourage one another and to serve side by side.

Leader: May our life together bear witness to Christ in all we do.

People: May our lives point beyond ourselves to Your goodness and mercy.

ALL: Rekindle the gift within us, O God, and send us forth to make a positive impact, in whatever role You may call us... for the glory of Christ and the good of the world. Amen.

Ensemble

You Raise Me Up

arr. Roger Emerson

*Hymn No. 604

Come, All Christians, Be Committed

BEACH SPRING

Invocation

*Song of Praise and Worship

As for Me - Tomlin and Barrett

Liz Marvin

Praise Team

Offertory Prayer

Charlie Campbell

Offertory Music

Franklin Ritter

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

Liz Marvin

J. S. Bach

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Anthem

An Expression of Gratitude

Sanctuary Choir

David Schwoebel

I thank my God in all my remembrance of you.
Always with joy in every prayer for you. I thank my God.

I thank my God for your fellowship in the gospel from the very first day 'til now,
I thank my God for you. Always with joy in every prayer for you.
And I am sure that he, who began a good work in you,
Will bring it to completion at the day of Christ.

And this I pray, that your love may abound more and more.
Abound in knowledge, in judgment,
That you may approve what is excellent to the glory of God.
That you may be pure and blameless,
Filled with the fruits of righteousness which come through Christ Jesus.

(Children will remain in the service today.)

Scripture

Mark 10:42-45; II Timothy 1:1-7

(Pew Bible Page 1003; 1178)

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Rekindle the Gift"

Jim Wooten

DEACON ORDINATION OF

Shelby Clardy, Corry Lathrop, and Steven Smith

Charge to the Candidate

Chad Walker, Deacon Chairman

Charge to the Congregation

Charlie Campbell, Deacon Vice-Chairman

Ordination Prayer

Leslie Walker, Deacon Secretary

Laying on of Hands

*Hymn No. 387

Blest Be the Tie

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Benediction

Jim Wooten

Postlude

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

Mary Alice Edmonds, Organist

arr. David Lowe

The Laying on of Hands

Rooted in ancient practice, the act of the "laying on of hands" is a way of invoking a blessing on one who is "set aside" for some special role of ministry. As Shelby, Corryn, and Steven answer the call to deacon ministry, with their spouses by their sides, those previously ordained will come forward for the laying on of hands. After they have led the way, we invite others who wish to offer their blessing upon them in this manner to participate as well.

The quietness of the moment is an opportune time for all of us to ponder the call of God upon each of our lives to deepen our devotion and service to Him and the work of His kingdom.