

CHURCHWIDE MINISTRY

Next Sunday, 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.

"NOT SO SUPER BOWL"

February 8 - 2:00-4:00 PM

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!



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).

CHILI FOR CHARITY COOK-OFF!

Sunday, January 25, 4-6 PM

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT!

Sponsored by local businesses and donations- all proceeds go to support local charities in Anderson

To sign up as a Chili contestant, Baker, or Sponsor, contact chip Reaves (chip@bigger-brains.com or 404-449-5021), or the church office (864-224-6563)



St. John's UMC
515 S. McDuffie St
Anderson, SC 29624
in the Activity Center behind the church

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Anyone interested in cooking chili and/or volunteering for this event, should contact Sarah Crowder (with St. John's UMC), 816-882-4299 or scrowder4@yahoo.com.

Two volunteer shifts available: 3:30-4:45pm and 4:45-6:15pm. We also need extra pots of chili and baked items to sell. Funds raised will be donated to Salvation Army, the Emergency Kitchen or Hope Missions.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

MARGARET WILLIAMS BIBLE STUDY

January 27—10:00 AM In the Bridal Suite

YOUTH MINISTRY

YOUTH SUNDAY FUNDAY

UNDERGROUND CHURCH

Sunday, February 1 - 5:00 - 8:00 PM

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



CONDOLENCES

Donna Davis and family on the passing of her sister, Connie Fuller, on December 26, 2026.

THANK YOU NOTE

Dear FBC Family,

Thank you so much for the lovely meal after my mothers' funeral.

It was so great to be able to be ministered to with food and to also enjoy it with my family. Thank you for all you do and God Bless you all!

Thanks,
Pam Burnett (Donna Nelson's daughter)

OPPORTUNITIES AT FIRST BAPTIST

Monday, January 19 - MLK Day

Church Office Closed

CDC Closed

Wednesday, January 21

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 22
The Beacon Published

Sunday, January 25

9:30 AM Worship

10:30 AM Church Conference

MEMBERS IN ACTION

NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 25

Offertory Prayer: Becky Campbell

Visitor Outreach: Steven Smith

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

Security: Bill Wilson and Jack Abraham



FIRST BAPTIST
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

307 South Manning Street, 29624 / 864.224.1622 / AndersonFBC.org

Welcome

January 18, 2026

Serving Today

Offertory Prayer:
Dewey Boyd

Visitor Outreach:
David Turner

Children's Worship:
January Menees and Ann Newton

Security:
Matt Lathrop and Jack Abraham

Welcomel

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

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		
<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p><small>*Please stand if able.</small></p>	Welcome	Steven Smith
	Prelude	<i>Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah</i> arr. Gilbert M. Martin Mary Alice Edmonds, Organist
	Chiming of the Trinity	
	THE CELEBRATION OF THE ORDINANCE OF BAPTISM	
	<i>Justin Hall</i>	
	Anthem	<i>Oh Happy Day</i> arr. Mark Hayes Sanctuary Choir and Anne Whitney, Soloist
	Oh happy day, when Jesus washed my sins away. He taught me how to watch and pray. And live rejoicing every day. I will rejoice, yes, every day.	
	Oh happy day, When I get to heaven, Lord. I'm gonna walk on streets of gold. Gonna be a happy day, such a happy day, happy day!	
	*Hymn No. 206	<i>Blessed Be the Name</i> BLESSED NAME
	Responsive Reading	Steven Smith
	Leader: Jesus walks along the shore of our lives and calls us to follow. People: We come as we are—different in background, gifts, and journeys. Leader: He called fishermen and tax collectors, the bold and the quiet. People: The twelve were different, yet united by Christ's call. Leader: In baptism, we declare that we belong to Jesus Christ. People: We trust not in our sameness, but in God's grace at work in us. Leader: Following Jesus begins with his call and continues with our response. ALL: Today, we say "yes" once again to that call and commit to walk in his way.	
	Invocation	Steven Smith
	Special Music	<i>In the River</i> Praise Team Cottrell
	Offertory Prayer	Dewey Boyd
	Offertory Music	<i>Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated</i> arr. Albin Whitworth
	Praising God For His Gifts To Us	OLD 100th
	<i>Doxology</i>	
	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	
	(Children please exit for Children's Worship at this time.)	
	Morning Prayer	Mathias Richardson
	<i>Prayer concludes by saying in unison:</i>	
	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	Mark 3:13-19 (Pew Bible Page 992)
	Leader: The Word of God for the people of God. People: Thanks be to God.	
	Sermon	"A Motley Crew" Jim Wooten
	*Hymn No. 293	<i>Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult</i> GALILEE
	Benediction	Jim Wooten
	Postlude	<i>Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart</i> arr. Douglas E. Wagner 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.