



MARGARET WILLIAMS BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday, March 24 - 10:00 AM

Located in the Bridal Suite



HOLY WEEK SERVICES BEGIN WITH OUR PALM SUNDAY PROCESSION OF PALMS

Sunday, March 29 - 9:30 AM

Due to Spring Break for Anderson schools, many of our young families will be away. The Palm Procession is a great opportunity for others to step in and be part of a special moment in our service! We'd love for you to volunteer and help make this a meaningful experience. We will gather at the back of the church, where Tina Richardson will provide instructions and distribute the palms. Come be a part, we'd love to have you join in!



SAVE THE DATES!!

The Women's Fellowship is excited to announce our fellowships for this year. We are committed to providing fellowships that reflect the love of Christ to all women of our church.

Coming Soon...

April 19 - Fellowship Breakfast

May 10 - Mother's Day Recognition

September 27 - Gather & Give Thanks Fellowship

November 29 - Christmas Surprise

OPPORTUNITIES AT FIRST BAPTIST

Tuesday, March 24

10:00 AM Margaret Williams Bible Study (Bridal Suite)

Wednesday, March 25

5:30 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Chapel)

5:45 PM Children's Music & Missions (Rock Room)

Youth Group (Gym)

7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Youth "Homework & Hangout" (Gym)

Sunday, March 29 - Palm Sunday

9:30 AM Worship

10:30 AM Sunday School

Easter Season 2026

Palm Sunday Service

Sunday, March 29th at 9:30 AM

Procession of Palms during the 9:30 AM Worship Service.

Maundy Thursday Service

Thursday, April 2nd at 7:00 PM

A reflective service held in the Sanctuary remembering the Last Supper and the love Christ demonstrated through sacrifice.

Church-Wide Easter Fellowship

Saturday, April 4th at 11:00 AM

Held in the Fellowship Hall and Pavilion. Includes a story and craft for children, followed by lunch and an egg hunt. Members are invited to bring sides or desserts to share; meat will be provided. In the case of inclement weather, Elana will communicate any schedule or location updates.

Easter Sunrise Service

Sunday, April 5th at 7:00 AM

Held at the Pavilion, followed by Easter breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. If weather is poor, the Sunrise Service will be moved inside to the Sanctuary.

Easter Worship Service

Sunday, April 5th at 9:30 AM

UPCOMING MEETINGS

NEW WELCOME CENTER TEAM ORIENTATION MEETING

Today - 11:30 AM - Chapel

All new Team Members please meet with Marian Moorhead, Team Leader and Patricia Torbert in the Chapel for a brief 20 minute orientation.

SENIOR ADULT CARE TEAM MEETING

April 12 - 11:35 AM - Chapel

For those who are serving in this in-reach ministry, caring for FBC Senior Adult members, please join us for a brief check-in to share thoughts and updates.

EASTER MISSIONS OFFERING

Through the Month of March

ANNIE ARMSTRONG and CBF MISSIONS OFFERINGS

Given to date \$1460

MEMBERS IN ACTION MARCH 29

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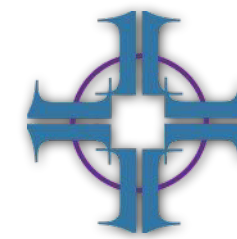
Timothy Clardy, Offertory Prayer
Liz Marvin, Visitor Outreach

Children's Worship:

Children will remain in the service.

Security:

T. J. Fusco and Adam Gathers



FIRST BAPTIST

ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

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Welcome

March 22, 2026

WELCOME

We are glad you are with us today. We recently began a sermon series on the Twelve Disciples. The chart below, which includes the four lists of the disciples found in the New Testament may be a helpful reference. Today we will be looking at Matthew. We hope you will be able to join us each Sunday as we continue our study.

FOUR LISTS OF APOSTLES OF CHRIST in the order listed by the writers

Matthew 10:2-4	Mark 3:16-19	Luke 6:12-19	Acts 1:13
Simon	brothers Simon	Simon	Peter
Andrew	James	Andrew	James
James	brothers John	James	John
John	Andrew	John	Andrew
Philip	Philip	Philip	Philip
Bartholomew	Bartholomew	Bartholomew	Thomas
Thomas	Matthew	Matthew	Bartholomew
Matthew	Thomas	Thomas	Matthew
James son of Alphaeus	James son of Alphaeus	James son of Alphaeus	James son of Alphaeus
Thaddaeus	Thaddaeus	Simon the Zealot	Simon the Zealot
Simon the Cananaean	Simon the Cananaean	Judas, son of James	Judas, son of James
Judas Iscariot	Judas Iscariot	Judas Iscariot	

Serving Today

Offertory Prayer:

Corry Lathrop

Visitor Outreach:

Mathias Richardson

Children's Worship:

Timothy Clardy and Shawna Wilson

Security:

Bill Wilson and Jack Abraham

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

Welcome Bob Lingle

Solo **What a Wonderful World** arr. Alston Pettigrew
Addrian Wilson, Soloist

PARENT CHILD DEDICATION
Saylor, Hudson, Parker, and Lennon Hall
Children of Justin and Blaire Hall

Litany

Prayer of Blessing

Presentations

Anthem **Broken for You** Kathleen Wisslinger
Handbell Choir

Chiming of the Trinity

*Hymn No. 227 **Praise Him! Praise Him!** JOYFUL SONG

Invocation Bob Lingle

*Songs of Praise and Worship Praise Team
Lion of Judah, Calvary's Lamb - Cottrell

Offertory Prayer Corry Lathrop

Offertory Music **Purer In Heart** arr. 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

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.

Anthem **Just a Closer Walk with Thee** arr. Joel Raney
Sanctuary Choir

I am weak but Thou art strong, Jesus keep me from all wrong
I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, dear Lord, close to Thee.

Just a closer walk with Thee, grant it Jesus, is my plea
Daily walkin' close to Thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms;
O how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms.

When my feeble life is o'er, time for me will be no more
reach down and Guide me gently, safely o'er, To Thy kingdom shore, to Thy shore.

Just a closer walk with Thee, grant it Jesus, is my plea
Daily walkin' close to Thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.
Let it be, let it be, a closer walk with Thee.

(Children please exit for Children's Worship at this time.)

Morning Prayer Lisa Wallace, Member of the Pastor Search Team

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 **Mark 2:13-17**
(Pew Bible Page 991)
Parallel Passages (Matthew 9:9-12; Luke 5:27-32)

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

Sermon **"Matthew: Back From the Far Country"** Jim Wooten

Hymn No. 309 **Lord, I'm Coming Home** COMING HOME

Benediction Jim Wooten

Postlude **Come, Thou Fount** arr. Marvin Gaspard
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.