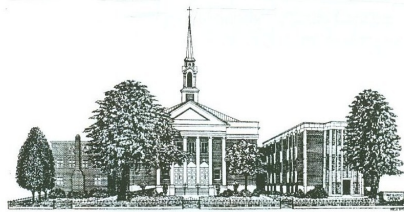




First Baptist News

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Monday-Thursday

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Friday

8:30 am-12:00 Noon

**FBC
Deacon Ordination
Service**

**Sunday, February 3
6:00 PM, Sanctuary**

Dear Church Family,

God blessed our church family during the 2012 Advent season. We averaged well over 500 worshippers for all our Advent opportunities. This allowed each of us to explore the basic aspects of our relationship with God and the Hope, Love, Joy and Peace we know in Jesus Christ. I have little doubt your efforts to encourage, invite and remind people of what God was doing at the First Baptist Church of Orangeburg this advent season was a part of our successful celebration of the true gift Christmas represents. If you happened to see someone at one of our worship services that you invited make sure to follow up with them during this month and encourage them to continue to seek out God as we move into the 2013 ministry year. As this year unfolds it will be a time for us to explore the dynamic relationship we share with God the Father, our Creator, and the redemption we know in God the Son through our Savior Jesus Christ.

Advent is a celebratory season. Thank you for your gifts, words of appreciation and expressions of thankfulness to my family and our church staff during this time. Your gestures of gratitude are felt in many ways as we continue to seek out opportunities to serve this church and the ministry God has for each of us.

Walk by Faith,

Ryan

Worship Care Workers**Sunday, January 20****8:45 AM**

Kathy Chaplin, Anne McGill

11:00 AM**Infants / Creepers / Ones:**

Barbara & Homer Felder, Lila Wactor

Twos / Threes:

Joe & Dotty Strickland

Fours:

Brian & Leigh Ann Newsome

Sunday, January 27**8:45 AM**

Jane Hartzog, Carla Tomson

11:00 AM**Infants / Creepers / Ones:**

Kathy Chaplin, Denise Holley

Twos / Threes:

Chip & Melissa Summers

Fours:

Glenn & Shelle Barr

Weekend Minister On Call**January 18-20****Rev. Joel Campbell C) 803-646-9000****January 25-27****Rev. David Childers C) 803-614-1600**

As always, the ministers may be reached at the church office (536-1545) during business hours.

**Wednesday, January 30****6:00 PM, Davis Hall****For the Dark Times**

Lighthouses are now a popular decorating theme for living rooms, calendars, cards, screen savers, towels, and more. Many images are infused with shimmering light to symbolize Christian faith and hope.

Yet the purpose of a lighthouse isn't to look pretty against a sunny sky—although it does—but to illumine a ship's way beneath heavy, dark clouds or a moonless night. Indeed, the lighthouse itself doesn't even light up until its surroundings grow dark!

Surely Jesus loves to share our joys, and we praise his glory during life's bright times. But God's primary purpose for coming to live among us was to save us from the storm of sin; to illumine our path through the darkness of death, in all its forms; to be the light guiding all people safely home. Jesus' light shines for us day and night, rain or shine, to bless us with faith and hope.

PLEASE NOTE... You need to call in your Wednesday night supper reservation(s). To avoid excess of food left over, amount of food prepared will be based on reservations received on the Family Night Supper reservation line. Reservation must be called in by 10 am on Mondays!!

Family Night Supper Line
Reservation #: 803-531-4138



**Family
Night
Supper**

Wednesday, January 23

Menu: Grilled Chicken Breast

Wednesday, January 30

Menu: Italian Night!

Wednesday, February 6

Menu: Chicken Casserole

Pray for our Members in the Hospital

+Regional Medical Center, Orbg., SC 29118

No one at this time.

Bonnie's Bunch Trips

"Washington, DC"

July 26-29, 2013

Cost: \$380.00 PP; \$75.00 PP Deposit Due with sign-up
\$305.00 Balance 5/20/13; Call Bonnie ASAP @ 534-5434!

A Few Notes of Appreciation...

Our deepest thanks to First Baptist Church for their generous support of the Orangeburg-Calhoun Free Medical Clinic in 2012 and continued support for 2013.

The Board, Staff, Volunteers & Patients

We cannot thank you enough for the wonderful gifts you gave to our precious children! Year after year you remember them and it is such a joy watching them open the presents at our Christmas party.

Your generosity is appreciated by all.

Sincerely, Orbg Cty DSS

The clients and their families expressed their appreciation to everyone that made this Christmas holiday special. The joy of brightening other lives, bearing each other's burdens, easing other's loads and supplanting empty hearts and lives with gifts, becomes for us the Magic of Christmas.

Thanking you again, The CRS Staff

2nd Annual Winter**Children's Snow Tubing****Retreat**

Lake Junaluska, NC

Friday, Feb. 1-Sunday, Feb. 3, 2013

Bible Study, Snow Tubing,

Movie Night & More

\$160.00

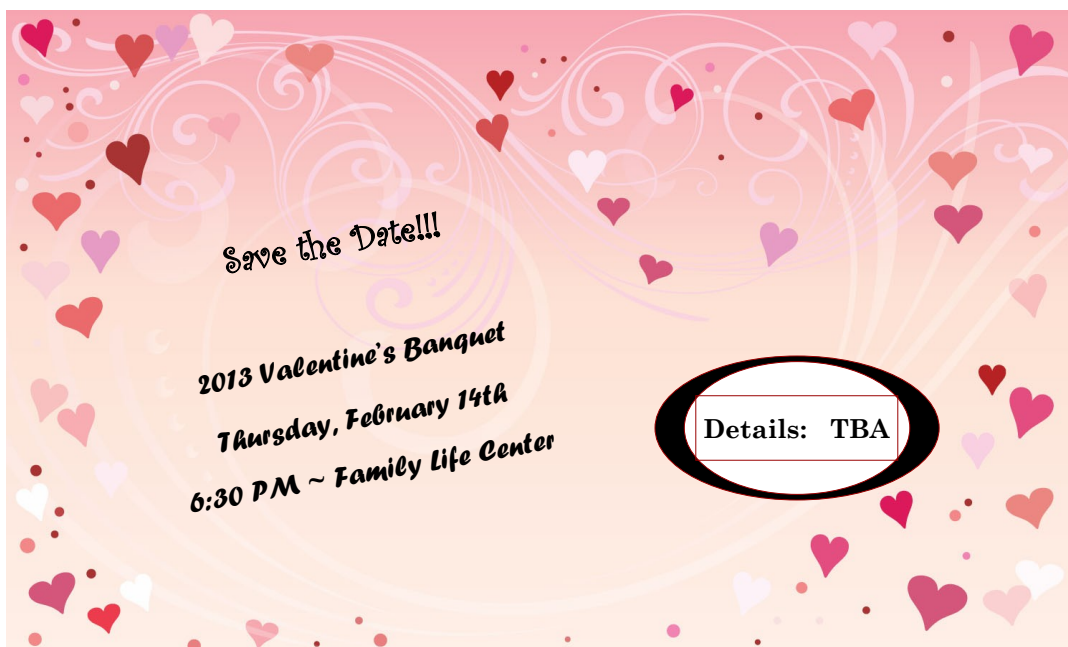
Sign up Deadline & \$80 due

NOW

Read The Bible in a Year

Have you wanted to read through God's Word cover to cover? Beginning in January, we will have accountability groups that will meet at the Family Life Center.

Interested? Call Joel @ 803-646-9000 or email joel@fbcorangeburg.org. Groups are forming now.

**Stewardship's
Corner**

Budget 2012

\$1,211,164.00

Receipts

\$1,162,088.06

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Jimmie & Linda terry

Genevieve Zeigler & Wendy Zeigler

Arthur & Deborah Bonnett



We extend our deepest Christian sympathy to Becky Miller & family in the death of her husband, Joe Miller; Mary Griffith in the death of her husband, Willard Donald Griffith; to Baxter Culler & family in the death of his mother, Frances Cisson Culler; to Lynn Garrick & family in the death of her mother, Helen Livingston; to Wynona Lee & family in the death of her husband and Freddy Lee & family in the death of his brother, W. Harold Lee; to Dorothy Kennerly & family in the death of her husband, Stewart Kennerly.



IN REMEMBRANCE

Joseph Richard Miller

Joined First Baptist.....March 13, 1994

Died.....December 31, 2012

IN REMEMBRANCE

Willard Donald Griffith

Joined First Baptist.....September 17, 1950

Died.....January 7, 2013

IN REMEMBRANCE

W. Harold Lee

Joined First Baptist.....June 21, 1953

Died.....January 9, 2013