



# First Baptist News



**FBC ORANGEBURG**

*Building a community of faith that glorifies God & reflects Jesus Christ*

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***Don't Forget***

You can pick up your poinsettias after the Christmas Eve service.



***First Baptist Church  
Advent 2020***

Services at  
8:45am

&

11:00am

(except December 20)

Or join us online  
on the FBC Orangeburg  
YouTube channel

**November 29 - The First Sunday of Advent - *HOPE***

**December 6 - The Second Sunday of Advent - *LOVE***

**- Deacon & Trustee Banquet at 6:00 pm, Family Life Center**

**December 13 - The Third Sunday of Advent - *JOY***

**December 18 - Youth Christmas Party (more details TBA)**

**December 20 - The Fourth Sunday of Advent - *PEACE***

**- Combined Service on the front lawn at 11:00 am (weather permitting)  
The Chancel Choir presents "The Road to Bethlehem"**

**December 24 - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**

**on the Square & front lawn at 6:00 pm (weather permitting)**

## Church News...

### Weekend Staff Member On Call

**Dec. 5-6**  
Rev. Jerry French  
C) 803-603-2642

**Dec. 12-13**  
Rev. Jane Williams  
C) 803-747-1221

**Dec. 19-20**  
Rev. Ryan Tucker  
C) 803-707-2132

**Dec. 26-27**  
Rev. Zeke Stephenson  
C) 828-305-2183

As always, the minister may be reached at the church office (803-536-1545) during business hours.

### MissionAction Center



*The center is in need of items for cold weather:*

- Coats & Jackets for men, ladies, & children.
- Sweaters for men & women especially in large sizes.
- Blankets.

**Please check your closets & bring them to the center {Tues. or Thurs.: 9:30am to 11:30am} or put them in the box outside of Davis Hall.**

Thank you for your continued support!  
Bettis Bryant



The *Angel Tree* is a meaningful & compassionate ministry of FBCO. The gifts from this ministry will be used to minister to children that might not otherwise receive a Christmas gift. We ask that you follow the following steps if you desire to participate in this ministry of Sharing the Joy of Christ:

- Remove one of the paper angels from the tree.
- Find the number by the child's name in the ledger book by the tree & record your name.
- Because your gift may be the only one that child receives, we are asking that it have a value of \$15 or more if God has so blessed you.
- Return the wrapped gift to the tree with the paper angel taped securely to the package by **12:00pm, NOON on Thursday, December 10th.**

Our *Angel Tree* will be located outside of Davis Hall, starting Nov. 22nd. Thank you in advance for your gifts and prayers!

### PRAYER CHAIN CONTACTS

Pam Steppe 803-682-4000  
[pamsteppe@hotmail.com](mailto:pamsteppe@hotmail.com)

Renee Roberts 803-515-4888  
[sweetbabyii@yahoo.com](mailto:sweetbabyii@yahoo.com)

Sandra Platt 803-378-0125  
[splatt44@yahoo.com](mailto:splatt44@yahoo.com)

### Education Ministry News...



The 2020 Christmas Advent Devotionals are available & located on the informational tables & in the vestibule. Please take 1 per family unit.

~Rev. Jerry French

### FLC News...

#### UPWARD BASKETBALL [5K-6th Grade]

Registration OPEN NOW until—Dec. 4th.

**NO** Evaluations **THIS** season.

1st Practice: week of Jan. 11, 2021.

1st Game: Sat., Jan. 23, 2021.

Season Ends Feb. 20, 2021.

**COSTS:** \$70 per child until reg. closes on Dec. 4th.

**SIGN-UP:** Call the FLC @ 803-534-2960 or

email: [FLC@fbcorangeburg.org](mailto:FLC@fbcorangeburg.org) / [zeke@fbcorangeburg.org](mailto:zeke@fbcorangeburg.org)



*This Christmas season, please take a minute to call, send a card, an email, or lift up in prayer one of our members that have been sick, are homebound, or in a nursing home facility... This simple act of kindness just might brighten your day as well as theirs during this time of isolation! They will be blessed & you will be as well. Let us continue practicing staying connected to one another, #FBCOConnected*

### Homebound Resident Members

**Bill Cox** 803-534-5004  
4440 Ramsgate Drive 29118-8352

**Tony Drawdy** 803-534-7867 [tdrawdy@sc.rr.com](mailto:tdrawdy@sc.rr.com)  
1385 Gue Road 29115

**Henry Dukes** 803-535-3270 [houkes@myexcel.com](mailto:houkes@myexcel.com)  
823 Broughton Street 29115-6600

**Phil Dukes** 803-536-6640  
1508 Sify Road NE 29118-1338

**Carolyn Farr** 803-534-7354  
1475 Sunset Street NE 29115

**Elinor Leedecke** 803-664-2595  
303 Egret Lane 29118

**Ruby Nell Smith** 803-534-8343  
359 Murray Road SW 29115-7641

### Homebound Non-Resident Members

**Carmen Platt** 803-707-4064  
Post Office Box 834 Beaufort, SC 29901-0834

**Lynnette Rhoad** 803-707-1128 [lr@bellsouth.net](mailto:lr@bellsouth.net)  
279 Northlake Drive Keysville, GA 30816-4311



### Healthcare Facility Resident Members

**Calhoun Convalescent Center** [803-655-7101]  
601 Dantzler Street, St. Matthews, SC 29135-1522  
Helen Smoak

**Edisto Post Acute Care** [803-534-1771]  
{formerly Riverside Rehab & Healthcare Center} & {formerly Laurel Baye Healthcare}  
**574 Stonewall Jackson Boulevard, 29115-7250**  
Frances Inabinet / West Wing Rm 23

**Jolley Acres Healthcare** [803-534-1001]  
**1180 Wolfe Trail, 29115-7339**  
Geneva Dean / Rm 309A / 803-534-3374  
Cynthia Smoak / Rm 303B

**Longwood Plantation** [803-535-0250]  
**1687 Longwood Road, 29118-2307**  
Elizabeth Yarborough / Rm 19 / 803-534-3948

**Morningside** [803-539-2911]  
**2306 Riverbank Drive, 29118-4046**  
Dot Bethune / Rm 102 / 803-378-8786  
Mary Sims Gué / Rm 123  
Nettie Martin / Rm 106 / 803-534-3556  
Deanna Shippey / 803-596-6327

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**Post Office Box 9005, 29116-9005**  
Mary Felkel / Asbury Bldg., Rm 2 / 803-534-2933  
Mary Reese / Walsh Bldg., Rm 105 / 803-290-3465 /  
[mreese002@sc.rr.com](mailto:mreese002@sc.rr.com)

### Non-Resident Members in Assisted Living Facilities/Homebound....

**Golden Pond Community** [407-654-7217]  
**406 Lakeview Road, Unit # 20**  
**Winter Garden, FL 34787-3046**  
Gloria Furches / (Near Grandson)

**Ranson Ridge Assisted Living** [704-897-2723]  
**13910 Hunton Lane, Room # 200**  
**Huntersville, NC 28078-6088**  
Pauline Richardson / Rm 200 / 803-347-2078 (cell) or  
704-897-0984 Rm #200

**Veteran's Victory House** [843-538-3000]  
**2461 Sidney Road Walterboro, SC 29488**  
Tom Harrison



## Children's Ministry News...



We ended October & started November with lots of fellowship & fun at our Fall Festival! The trunk or treat was a HUGE success! Thank you to all who participated & brought trunks full of treats! Thank you also to our Lion's Club members who provided us food for the evening. I am grateful to all who helped make this evening such a success.

As we are nearing the end of our Wednesday night activities, we've been focusing on missions. We've learned about Operation Christmas Child & packed 6 boxes for girls & boys our own age. We have also learned & played games from around the world. We've made holiday cards for our homebound members & prayed for each of them by name. We ended our Wed. night activities with a holiday party full of yummy chick-fil-a & games! We are looking forward to the Advent season & birth of Jesus!

-Mrs. Anna Kate



### Welcome New Member!

**Dak Mangum Weeks**  
1221 Pruitt Drive  
Orangeburg, SC 29118

Dak Mangum Weeks joined FBCO on Sunday, November 15, 2020. Dak plans on being baptized during the 11:00am worship service on Sunday, November 22, 2020. November 22nd is an extra special day for Dak, because this is also the anniversary of when he was adopted by his parents, Rhett & Kathryn Weeks, 6 years ago. He is 11 years old and is in the 5th grade at OPS.

**Welcome to First Baptist Church!**  
*We are so excited to have you to be a part of our church family*



### Congratulations

to **Rob & Brooke Clariday**  
on the birth of their daughter  
**Amelia Jones Clariday**  
born on November 17, 2020

7 lbs - 3 oz - 19½ inches  
10:39am ~ Orangeburg, SC  
Little sister of Luke Clariday  
Granddaughter of  
Shot & Navie Carole Clariday

### FBCO Church-Wide Drive-In Movie

RESCHEDULED TO  
**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2**  
in the FLC side parking lot.

Movie will begin at 6:15pm  
Bring your own lawn chair  
or blanket to sit on.



**FBCO**  
STUDENT MINISTRY

Pizza and Snacks will be  
provided!

**FBC Orangeburg**  
ORANGEBURG, SC

## Student Ministry News...

### PASSPORT CAMPS

We are registered to attend PASSPORT Camps in Greenville, SC for the week of July 12-17, 2021. This is open to all FBCO Youth! Check w/ me for more details if interested in going.



**FBCO STUDENT MINISTRY**  
Friday, December 18

**Christmas Party**  
[more details TBA]



As a way to encourage participation in FBCO SM events, a **NEW** point system has been introduced where youth have an opportunity to collect points for various things like showing up to events, bringing a friend, bringing their Bibles, & more."-Zeke



**FBCO**  
STUDENT MINISTRY  
BUILDING COMMUNITY • REFLECTING CHRIST

### FBCO Student Ministries Point System

- Attend a weekly Student Ministry event: **5 Points**
- Attend a special Student Ministry event: **10 Points**
- Attend 3 consecutive Student Ministry events: **5 Bonus Points**
- Bring a friend to a Student Ministry event: **15 points**
- Memorize a scripture that was used in the prior weeks Bible Study or Worship Service: **20 Points**
- Bring your Bible to Bible Study: **15 Points**

Prizes will be awarded to the 3 top point earners midway through the semester, and then again at the end of the semester. Points will start over in January.

**Remember to check your weekly SM News emails for upcoming opportunities to connect!**

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**Evelyn Holland Antley:** Chuck & Joyce Cleveland, Sherryl Mitchum

**Henry Tillman Bozard:** Sherryl Mitchum

**Michael Wayne Crawford:** Lyn & Phala Burleson, Bert & Martha Fersner & Family

**Walter David Durr, Jr.:** Sherryl Mitchum

**Ina "Eudell" Crawford Gray:** Chuck & Joyce Cleveland, "Bill" William B. Cox, Anne Gué Jones, Richard & Lori Salley, Kevin & Mary Louise Williamson

**Artie Oral Knight, Jr.:** Bert & Martha Fersner & Family, Anne Gué Jones, Henry & Burley Rutland

**Margree Lucas Fulmer Love:** Chuck & Joyce Cleveland, Sherryl Mitchum, Rhett Richardson

**Cynthia Martin:** Mary P. Raymond

**Norman McBride McLean:** Tom & Carole Bonnette, Lyn & Phala Burleson, Marc & Elizabeth Caddell, Mr. & Mrs. Harold Carroll, Chuck & Joyce Cleveland, Harriet Hare, Russ & Mandy Hewitt, Ed Hinshaw, Tom & Donna Jackson, Guy & Linda Kirby, Sylvia Ott, Leslie, Avie, Sydney, Tricia, & Addy Phillips, "Bill" William I. Powell, George Rogers, Linda Sanders, Lila Wactor

**Barbara Ann Wise Mitchum:** Anne Bettis, Emma Joanne Cuttino, Tommy & Anna Lee Edwards, Mary Felkel, Bert & Martha Fersner & Family, Esther Higginbotham, Linda Hooker, Bryan Patterson, Romona Patterson, and Sofia Patterson, Gene & Mavis Horger, Shawn Kiser, Angela Lindner, Hazel Metts, Sam Mitchum, Jr., Linda Sanders, Gayle Sheriff

**"Sam" Samuel Theodore & Barbara Ann Wise Mitchum, Sr.:**

Fred & Cynthia Herring, Sam Mitchum, Jr., John & Susan Cuttino, and Sherryl Mitchum

**Claude "Harris" Steppe, III:** Tom & Carole Bonnette, Lyn & Phala Burleson, Charity Lodge No. 62 A.F.M., FBCO TLC S.S. Class, FBCO Tom Bell S.S. Class, Billy & Ann Glover, Russ & Mandy Hewitt, Ed Hinshaw, Patsy Judy, Guy & Linda Kirby, Linda Sanders, Bob & Bobbie Varn

**Eris McKenzie Wannamaker:** Harry & Bettis Bryant, Chuck & Joyce Cleveland, Harold Davis, Alice Durgin, Drew, Emily Ann, Finley, Addie, & Whit Evans, Bert & Martha Fersner & Family, Loitton & Kathy Hardison, Jerry Holmes, Mr. & Mrs. Smith Holmes & Family, Gene & Cindy Jackson, Anne Gué Jones, Roxana Maffett & Family, Sherryl Mitchum, Jay Pearson, Ernest & Rosemaire Till, Buddy & Patsy Wannamaker

**IN REMEMBRANCE**

**Michael Wayne Crawford**

Joined First Baptist.....Jun. 2, 2013

Died.....Oct. 29, 2020

**IN REMEMBRANCE**

**Nell Ott Fogle**

Joined First Baptist.....Feb. 19, 1995

Died.....Nov. 6, 2020

**IN REMEMBRANCE**

**Norman McBride McLean**

Joined First Baptist.....Dec. 21, 1986

Died.....Nov. 11, 2020

**IN REMEMBRANCE**

**Claude "Harris" Steppe, III**

Joined First Baptist.....Jan. 26, 1992

Died.....Nov. 11, 2020



**We extend our deepest Christian sympathy** to Melissa Crawford & family in the death of her father, and to Bill Gray & family the death of his bro.-in-law, Michael Wayne Crawford; to the family of Nell Ott Fogle; to the family of Shirley Brown McLean in the death of her husband, and to the families of both Marie McLean-Choi & "Jim" James McLean in the death of their father, and to Avie Brown Phillips & family in the death of her brother-in-law, Norman McBride McLean; and to "Pam" Pamela Martin Steppe & family in the death of her husband, and to Melinda Robertson Jackson & family in the death of her father, Claude "Harris" Steppe, III.

**Gifts Received In Honor Of...**

**George R. Brooks:** Deborah Bonnett

**Ray C. Hartzog:** Deborah Bonnett

**Mary P. Raymond:**

FBCO Lamplighters S.S. Class

**Rev. Ryan P. Tucker:**

"Chip" Claude Harris Steppe, IV

**Holiday Hours**

Church Office & FLC will be  
**CLOSED**

@ Noon on Thurs., Dec. 24th;  
Fri., Dec. 25th; &  
Mon., Dec. 28th

For the Christmas holiday!

**The Record Speaks**

Date:	10/25/20	11/02/20	11/08/20	11/15/20
<b>SS Attendance:</b>	—	139	132	148
Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 23,890.19	\$ 23,890.19	\$ 23,890.19	\$ 23,890.19
Weekly Budget Received:	\$ 22,838.00	\$ 24,233.00	\$ 23,483.05	\$ 19,170.00
Building Fund Gifts YTD:	\$ 21,207.00	\$ 21,805.00	\$ 22,010.00	\$ 23,375.00
Global Missions Goal:	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00
Global Mission Received:	\$ 1,325.00	\$ 1,325.00	\$ 1,325.00	\$ 1,325.00
Capital Campaign Goal:	\$ 1,950,000.00	\$ 1,950,000.00	\$ 1,950,000.00	\$ 1,950,000.00
CC Rec'd & Outstanding Pledges:	\$ 1,425,712.57	\$ 1,426,212.57	\$ 1,426,212.57	\$ 1,426,822.57
Capital Campaign Gifts Rec'd:	\$ 1,271,644.03	\$ 1,286,924.03	\$ 1,286,924.03	\$ 1,288,434.03
Designated Gifts:	\$ 250.00	\$ 1,280.00	\$ 285.00	\$ 16.00
Year to Date Received:	\$ 977,450.09	\$ 1,001,683.09	\$ 1,025,006.14	\$ 1,044,176.14
Year to Date Expended:	\$ 971,598.56	\$ 979,456.65	\$ 1,007,456.65	\$ 1,023,026.99
Year to Date Balance:	\$ 5,851.53	\$ 22,226.44	\$ 17,549.49	\$ 21,149.15