

# First Baptist News



**FBC ORANGEBURG**

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

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**Christmas Eve  
Candlelight Service  
Fri., Dec. 24th**

## *The Advent Season at First Baptist Church*

**(All Sunday Services in December are 11:00 am)**

December 5 - Second Sunday of Advent

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

December 8 - Children's Christmas Concert, 6:00 pm

December 10 - Youth Christmas Party, 6:00 pm, FLC

December 12 - Third Sunday of Advent

- The Chancel Choir presents "Go Tell It"

- Kids' Christmas Party, 5:30-7:30 pm, FLC

December 19 - Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 24 - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

- 6:00 pm

December 26 - First Sunday after Christmas

(11:00 worship service, no Sunday School)

Children's Music and Missions resume  
on January 12, 2022

## Church News...

### PRAYER CHAIN CONTACTS

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**Holiday Hours**  
 Church Office & FLC  
 will be **CLOSED**  
 Mon., Dec. 27th -  
 Thurs., Dec. 30th  
 for the Holidays



Call in your Wed. night  
 supper reservation(s).  
**Reservations must be called  
 in by 10 am each Monday!!**  
 Adults (age 12 & up): \$5;

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

if you have standing reservations & are  
**NOT** going to be able to make it please call  
 & let us know.

Please have a check or have the exact change...

**\*\*\*Menu subject to change due to  
 availability of food...\*\*\***

### Weekend Staff Member On Call

**Dec. 4-5**  
 Rev. Zeke Stephenson  
 C) 828-305-2183

**Dec. 11-12**  
 Rev. Ryan Tucker  
 C) 803-707-2132

**Dec. 18-19**  
 Rev. Anna Kate Stephenson  
 C) 205-542-9839

**Dec. 25-26**  
 Rev. Jerry French  
 C) 803-603-2642

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

### FBC - Newly Elected Deacons & Trustees...

**Deacons:** Lee Ashe, Russ Blanchard,  
 Mandy Hewitt, Rebecca Love,  
 Salley Parker, Beth Phillips, Mark Phillips,  
 Ryan Vaughn  
**Trustees:** Nancy Davis,  
 Parker Dempsey, Jim Holstein  
*Those elected will begin serving Jan. 2022*

Deacon Trustee  
 Banquet  
**Sun., Dec. 5**  
**@ 6pm**  
**in Bryant Hall**



**Poinsettias  
 may be  
 picked up  
 after the  
 Christmas Eve  
 Worship Service**



### FNS Menu

**Wed., Dec. 1**  
 Spaghetti Casserole  
**Wed., Dec. 8**  
 Baked Ham  
**Last FNS for 2021**



This Christmas season, please  
 take a minute to remember our  
**FBC resident & non-resident  
 members that are Homebound &  
 in Nursing Care Facilities with a  
 card, call, or visit. They will be  
 blessed & you will be as well.**

### Homebound Resident Members

Phil Dukes 803-536-6640  
 1508 Sifly Road NE 29118

Elinor Leedecke 803-664-2595  
 303 Egret Lane 29118

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

### Homebound Non-Resident Members

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

### 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)

Laurel Crest Memory Care [803-796-0370]  
 100 Joseph Walker Drive  
 West Columbia, SC 29169  
 Mary Sims Gué / Rm 802

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

### Healthcare Facility Resident Members

**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

**The Legacy [803-539-2911]**  
 {formerly Morningside}  
**2306 Riverbank Drive, 29118-4046**  
 Dot Bethune / Rm 102 / 803-378-8786  
 Nettie Martin / Rm 106 / 803-534-3556  
 Deanna Shippey / 803-596-6327  
 Barbara Welch / Rm 125 / 803-534-6859

**The Oaks [803-534-1212]**  
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\*Denotes members in an Apartment/ House

### Children's Ministry News...



November has been a great month for us in the Children's Ministry! We ended October with a lot of fun at the Fall Festival & Trunk or Treat & jumped right into the month of thanksgiving. We celebrated Thanksgiving together with a Family Friendsgiving & thoroughly enjoyed spending time together, playing, & eating a delicious Thanksgiving meal! Our 1st-5th graders are working hard on their Christmas program & are very excited to share with you all what they've learned. We also have spent time learning about baptism & communion, asking lots of questions to prepare our hearts for the day we decided to follow Jesus. Our preschoolers have also been working very hard on their songs for the Christmas program & are very enthusiastic about sharing them with all of you! We have spent time learning about how God is our rock, why it's important to be kind, & using our voices to praise God—via karaoke! We are excited about what December holds for us.

**Make plans to join us on December 8 for our children's Christmas program in the Sanctuary @ 6:00pm!!**



### Education Ministry News...



#### **SENIOR ADULT OUTING**

If you would like to travel to Connie Maxwell Children's Home in Greenwood on Dec. 3, 3:00pm-10:00pm, please contact Jerry.



Our 2021 Christmas Advent season has begun & The Advent Devotionals are now available. This Advent Devotional is always a great way to lead us into the Christmas season—reminding us of what Christmas really means. The daily devotions are written by members of our church family. The Devotionals are located in the vestibule & on the information tables around the church.

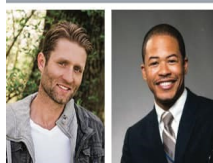
### Student Ministry News...



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

"Two exciting events will be happening after the New Year for our students here at FBCO! The first will be happening over MLK Jr. weekend in January. We will be heading to Charlotte, NC where we will be joining youth groups from North & South Carolina in a weekend of worship & fun!

In March we will be heading to Winterplace, WV for our annual ski trip! This is always a fun & exciting weekend. If your students is interested in either of these trips, please look out for more info. about sign-ups in the coming weeks." - Zeke



**Join Us!**



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**Gifts Received In Memory Of...**

**Carole Cope Bonnette:** Shirley Black, Shirley Maddox

**Marjorie "Davis" Turner Ervin:** Shirley Maddox

**Carolyn Cook Farr:** Shirley Maddox

**Mary Ella O'Cain Felkel:** Tom, Connie, & Caitlin Clingerman,  
Kathy Frontz, Rick & Cathy Frontz, Kristy Frontz, and  
Chad, Maria, Owen, & Mason Frontz,  
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Wannamaker

**"Freddie" Fred Morgan Hewitt, Jr.:** Shirley Maddox

**Carmen Creech Platt:** Shirley Black

**Lloyd & Dorothy Till:** Sharon White

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

**Rev. Jerry French:** FBCO Couples S.S. Class, Hazel Metts, Pam Steppe

**Mary Raymond:** FBCO Lamplighters S.S. Class

**Rev. Zeke & Rev. Anna Kate Stephenson:** FBCO Couples S.S. Class,  
Hazel Metts, Pam Steppe

**Rev. Ryan Tucker:** FBCO Couples S.S. Class, Hazel Metts, Pam Steppe

**Rev. Jane Williams:** FBCO Couples S.S. Class, Hazel Metts,  
Pam Steppe

**IN REMEMBRANCE**  
**Dallas Hayes Stoller**

Died.....Nov. 14, 2021



We extend our deepest Christian Sympathy to Michelle & Karl Stoller & family in the death of their daughter, Dallas Hayes Stoller.

**Congratulations and Best Wishes**

Congratulations and best wishes to  
**Madeline Jane Hill and Charlie Sutcliff**  
who were married on November 20, 2021 at  
First Baptist Church of Orangeburg.  
They will reside at  
1220 Eastbrook Dr. Orangeburg, SC 29115.



The **Angel Tree** is a meaningful & compassionate ministry of FBC. 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 NOON Wednesday, December 15.**

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

*From the FBCO Staff*



**Bonnie's Bunch Day Trip**  
**Carolina Opry Christmas Show**

**Fri., Dec. 10, 2021**

**Cost Per Person: \$90**

**Depart: 8:00AM @ FLC**

**\$ Due w/ Sign Up!**

(Includes: Tickets, Coach, and Lunch).

Call to sign up or for more info.: 803-534-5434.

Make checks to **Bonnie's Bunch & mail to**  
755 Rutledge NW Orangeburg, S.C. 29115

**The Record Speaks**

Date:	10/24/21	10/31/21	11/07/21	11/14/21
<b>SS Attendance:</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>167</b>
Weekly Budget Requirement:	\$ 24,333.25	\$ 24,333.25	\$ 24,333.25	\$ 24,333.25
Weekly Budget Received:	\$ 16,028.30	\$ 24,592.00	\$ 33,385.28	\$ 60,134.55
Building Fund Gifts YTD:	\$ 20,781.00	\$ 21,271.00	\$ 21,466.00	\$ 21,552.00
Global Missions Goal:	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00
Global Mission Received:	\$ 2,057.00	\$ 2,082.00	\$ 2,082.00	\$ 2,082.00
Capital Campaign Goal:	\$ 1,950,000.00	\$ 1,950,000.00	\$ 1,950,000.00	\$ 1,950,000.00
CC Rec'd & Outstanding Pledges:	\$ 1,947,497.57	\$ 1,947,592.57	\$ 1,948,084.57	\$ 1,973,632.23
Capital Campaign Gifts Rec'd:	\$ 1,853,899.03	\$ 1,853,994.03	\$ 1,855,286.03	\$ 1,889,483.69
Designated Gifts:	\$ 10.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 520.00	\$ 2,267.50
Year to Date Received:	\$ 1,010,032.32	\$ 1,034,624.32	\$ 1,068,009.60	\$ 1,128,144.15
Year to Date Expended:	\$ 932,583.17	\$ 936,583.31	\$ 964,068.89	\$ 975,058.89
Year to Date Balance:	\$ 77,449.15	\$ 98,041.01	\$ 103,940.71	\$ 153,085.26

**We Need The Following:**

The Soup Kitchen is in need of grocery bags for food distribution on Thursdays. Bags may be left in the kitchen.