



THE BAPTIST INFORMER

NEWS OF INTEREST TO MEMBERS & FRIENDS OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FOUR OAKS

November 2022

Homecoming 2022

Sunday, November 6

Mission Statement

The family of First Baptist Four Oaks believes in God through Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit. To fulfill the Great Commission, we will love, serve, learn, and fellowship together.

Events of the Day

10:00 AM

Sunday School

11:00 AM

Worship

***Preacher: Rev. Lee Colbert
Dedication of our new Church Office***

Noon

Catered Lunch by White Swan

*Church: 963-2102
Preschool: 963-2013*

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We are so thankful for our Preschool! In October we had a wonderful trip to Tart's Mega Corn Maze in Dunn. On October 26th, twenty-two parents and grandparents decorated their cars for Trunk-or-Treat. The kids had a blast dressing up and Trick-or-Treating in the church parking lot.

Our themes for November are: Camping/Nocturnal Animals, Transportation, Thanksgiving/Being Thankful, and Dinosaurs. Pastor John will lead a Devotion on the first Wednesday. We will celebrate Veteran's Day and enjoy a Thanksgiving Feast!

Please share with friends and family that we have one vacancy in our four-year-old class.
Thank you, church family, for all your Love and Support!

Thank You...

Dear Church Family, Thank you for the flowers sent for Wayne's service. Wayne enjoyed serving the church in many capacities over the years. Most of all, thank you for your love and prayers. With love, Denise, Alyssa, and Mary-Leigh

Dear First Baptist Church of Four Oaks, Thank you for the flowers and for providing a delicious meal for us during my mother's funeral. Your support and love is so appreciated and means so much to us. Thank you, Carl, Bernie, and Melissa

Youth News!

“Dear FBC Four Oaks Family,

Thank you for your love and support of me, my family, and our youth over the years. I have grown so much as a person, a Christian, and a minister because of your love and support. Unfortunately, the nature of the role of Youth Minister has been taxing on me, and I will not be continuing in that role. Therefore, I will be resigning from my position as Youth Minister. My family and I have been active members of this congregation for almost a decade, beyond my tenure as a Youth Minister. The intention is to remain in fellowship with our church family, especially our youth—only in a different capacity.

Moving forward, the personnel committee, youth committee, and I will make plans for the smoothest transition for our youth and families, so there are no major disruptions for them or the program. These plans will include setting a definitive resignation date. Please be in prayer for our church, especially our youth and families, as we transition together through this time of change.”

There are activities for November listed below. Let me know if you have questions about any of the events.

Thank you to everyone who helps to teach, lead, volunteer, and donate. It has been such a joy to see our Youth building relationships with each other and God. If you would like to receive our Youth Weekly Updates to keep up with youth activities for grades 6-12, please email fobcyouth@gmail.com.

Grace and Peace to all,

Jami Champagne

Youth Email: fobcyouth@gmail.com

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Weds. November 2nd 3:45pm— *Available Acteens will meet at the church to walk with elementary school students for BFF Club mentoring group*

Weds., November 9th — *Churchwide Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing*

Sun., November 20th 6:30-8pm— *Koinonia Youth Thanksgiving Dinner in the Fellowship Hall*



Churchwide Missions for November 2022
WMU/Women's Ministry News

WMU Watchword: "... But we are not those who turn back and are lost.
We are people who have faith and are saved." (Hebrews 10:39 NCV).

Scheduled Events for WMU Mission groups in NOVEMBER 2022:

The Agape Mission Group will meet on November 1 at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

The Dorothy Parker Group will meet on November 8 at 7:00 p.m.

The Lib Canaday Group will meet on November 10 at 7:00 p.m.

The Missions for Christ Mission Group will meet on Thursday, November 3 at 5:00 p.m.

Thanks to the WMU Ladies for providing food for breakfast to begin the day of work and cookies for our recent OIAM Day. You provided 1150 cookies that were delivered to five Assisted Living Homes. Many praises go to your love and devotion to our church.

Just a few months left now to collect items for the Samaritan Purse "Operation Christmas Child" shoebox for 2022: A collection box is in the library. The items to collect are toys, hygiene items, school supplies, and clothing. Remember the items are for girls and boys, ages 2-4, 5-9, 10-14. A detailed list of all items to collect is located on the bulletin board outside the Prayer Room. As you pack your shoeboxes do not forget to include the \$9.00 for postage. This year offers a new way to follow your shoebox. A label is provided that is scanned and postage of \$10 will identify the country that your shoebox lands. If we dream big, we can reach 200 shoeboxes again!

A new theme for WMU started in September. The theme is entitled "Hope in Christ." It will last for the next 2 years. The watchword is: "Be Joyful in Hope, Patient in Affliction, Faithful in Prayer." Romans 12:12 (NIV). The Project Help is: Mental Health. The 2022-2023 WMU Directories are available on the WMU table (by the Genesis Sunday School Classroom) or at the church office.

Redbox Ministry is due November 4. For many incarcerated women, a shoe box full of toiletries may be the only Christmas gift they receive. This year we are collecting toothpaste 6-9 oz. Leave in original box. To date, we have collected 73 tubes of toothpaste and a few that were undersized. There is a collection box located in the church library.

JBA-WMU Baptist Women World Day of Prayer. The theme is "Victorious Life!" 2 Corinthians 2" is scheduled for November 7 at 7:00 p.m. The host church is Bethany Missionary Baptist Church, 8980 Old Beulah Road, Kenly, N.C. A "Spirit Award" will be given to the church with the most members attending. A virtual program will be offered by WMUNC at 11:00 a.m. Carpool will be available if you are interested in attending. Please let Laura Rogers know at 919-219-4528. It would be good to have a representative from each of our WMU groups to attend.

The WMU Ladies will be hosting a Christmas Party on Thursday, December 15 at 11:00 a.m. The location is Mrs. Lacey's Magnolia House, 405 Carthage Street, Sanford, N.C. Carpool will be available at the church. Let Laura Rogers know if you would like to attend.

International Missions Emphasis & Lottie Moon Christmas offering – November 27-December 4.

The newly revised Funeral Food Committee sheets are available on the WMU Bulletin Board. We have tried to keep this updated to better serve everyone. As of October 15, 2022, members from Group 3 will be the next group to serve a meal: Brenda Barnes, Sandra Turner, and Laura Rogers are Co-Committee Chairs from Group 3.

CHECK OUT THE WMU BULLETIN BOARD LOCATED ACROSS FROM THE PRAYER ROOM FOR ANY 'NEWS ITEMS.' ACTEENS AND GIRLS IN ACTION GROUPS ALSO HAVE SPACE FOR ITEMS AVAILABLE.



Tuesday ~ November 15th
11:30 AM

The Young at Heart will meet for lunch at the Cracker Barrel in Smithfield.

Baptist Men's Breakfast
Sunday ~ November 20th at 7:30 AM
(Please note that the breakfast time has changed to 7:30)



Birthdays

01 Rachel Coats
 03 Melissa Sanders
 Wanda White
 04 Scott Sanders
 05 Debbie Dunn
 Paula Rein
 Michael White
 06 Caleb McLamb
 Jonathan Strickland
 07 Jennah Champagne
 08 Bucky Grady
 Barbara Keen
 10 Laura Rogers
 Sandra Turner
 11 Marian Walsh
 13 Lauren Strickland
 14 Mike Evans
 15 Deborah Coats
 Elizabeth Evans
 Jordyn Johnson
 16 Matt Keen
 18 Donna Baker
 Bryan Coe
 Bill Evans
 Mary Lee Maxwell
 19 Allie McLamb
 Jack Whittington, III
 20 Erin T. Combs
 Sharon Fogleman
 Jamie Williams

24 Tanya Carberry
 Shannon Lee
 25 Brittany Norris
 26 Jimmy Parker
 27 Angela Halverson
 29 Jacob Champagne
 Lainey Edwards
 30 Rebecca Holt
 Chris Santoro
 Meghan Grady Webster



Anniversaries

2 Tucker and Brenda Barnes
 3 John and Candy Littleton
 8 Adam and Mary Jon Barefoot
 11 Hunter and Janie Olive
 15 Thomas and Yorke Johnson



Cradle Roll (Worship)

<i>November 06</i>	<i>Amanda Strickland</i>
<i>November 13</i>	<i>Volunteer needed</i>
<i>November 20</i>	<i>Volunteer needed</i>
<i>November 27</i>	<i>Tally Jackson</i>

First Baptist Contacts

Pastor	Rev. John Norman, Jr.
Minister of Music	Mrs. Phyllis Toothman
Minister of Youth	Mrs. Jami Champagne
Secretaries	Mrs. Cheryl Chicki
	Mrs. Deirdre Parker
Organist	Ms. Annette Langdon
Pianist	Mrs. Summer McLamb
Preschool Interim Director	Mrs. Kay Surles
Deacon for the Month	Mr. Walter Holt

2 - 5 year old Church Nursery (Worship)

<i>November 06</i>	<i>Elizabeth & Riley Ruth Raynor</i>
<i>November 13</i>	<i>DeAnna Barbour & Hallie Stephenson</i>
<i>November 20</i>	<i>Mary Jon & Adam Barefoot</i>
<i>November 27</i>	<i>Hollie & Lannah Price</i>

Worship

<i>November 06</i>	<i>Homecoming</i> <i>Preaching: Rev. Lee Colbert</i>
<i>November 13</i>	<i>Worship the Lord with Gladness</i>
<i>November 20</i>	<i>Christ the King/Thanksgiving Sunday</i>
<i>November 27</i>	<i>First Sunday of Advent</i>

Children's Church

<i>November 06</i>	<i>Tally Jackson</i>
<i>November 13</i>	<i>Josh Champagne & Robbie Adams</i>
<i>November 20</i>	<i>Melanie Autry</i>
<i>November 27</i>	<i>Michele Norman</i>

Flowers

<i>November 06</i>	<i>Decorated for Fall</i>
<i>November 13</i>	<i>Decorated for Fall</i>
<i>November 20</i>	<i>Decorated for Fall</i>
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