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**CHURCH BASKETBALL LEAGUE GAME SCHEDULE
 November 2018**

Date	Class	Time	Location
11/15	15U	6:30 PM	First Presbyterian
	Girls	7:30 PM	First Baptist
	17U	8:30 PM	Central Presbyterian
11/19	15U	6:30 PM	Central Presbyterian
11/26	Girls	7:30 PM	First Baptist
	17U	8:30PM	First Baptist

Come Out and Support Our Teams!!

**Through the Month of December
 LOTTIE MOON / GLOBAL MISSIONS
 CHRISTMAS OFFERING**

FIRST BAPTIST CONTACT INFORMATION

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Rev. Amy Brown, Minister of Students
 Mrs. Shannon Griffin, CDC Director
 Mrs. Ramona Hallman, Organist
 Dr. Josh Hunt, Associate Pastor
 Mr. Jamie Smith, Assistant Music Director
 Mrs. Kelly Smith, Pianist
 Dr. James R. Thomason, Pastor
 Mr. Addrian Wilson, Minister of Music

MINISTER ON CALL: (after hours & weekends)
 Call: 224-1622, Press 6, leave name, number and a brief message
 and the MINISTER ON CALL will return your call promptly.



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Opportunities at First Baptist

Sunday, November 18

8:15 AM Baraca Sunday School Class (record)
 9:30 AM Worship
 10:00 AM Baraca Service 107.7 WHQA-FM; 1280 WANS-AM
 10:30 AM Bible Study
 11:30 AM Deacons' Meeting
 5:00 PM Community Thanksgiving Service
 6:00 PM Youth Friendsgiving

Monday, November 19

6:00 PM Stewardship Meeting

Wednesday, November 21

No School
 No Noon or Evening Meals or Activities

Thursday, November 22 - Thanksgiving

No School
 Church Office Closed

Friday, November 23

No School
 Church Office Closed

Sunday, November 25

8:15 AM Baraca Sunday School Class (record)
 9:30 AM Worship
 10:00 AM Baraca Service 107.7 WHQA-FM; 1280 WANS-AM
 10:30 AM Bible Study
 5:00 PM Youth - Open Gym
 6:00 PM Youth - Bible Study
 7:00 PM Youth - Praise Team Rehearsal

Tuesday, November 27

10:00 AM Margaret Williams Bible Study
 6:30 PM HS Coffee Conversations/ Figs Café

Wednesday, November 28

12:00 PM Bible Study/Luncheon
 4:00 PM Youth Open Gym
 5:00 PM Supper
 5:30 PM M & M Check-In - 3rd Floor
 5:45 PM Children's Music and Missions
 6:00 PM Youth Bible Study - Gym
 Praise Team Rehearsal
 Conversation Café Room 212
 6:15 PM Adult Bible Study - Chapel
 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
 GA & RA Check-Out - 3rd Floor



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**YOUTH
 FRIENDSGIVING**

NOVEMBER 18 - 6:00 - 8:00PM
 Amy Brown's Home
 132 Herd Park Court, Anderson

**COLLEGE
 FRIENDSGIVING
 TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20
 6:00PM**

Lisa Wallace's Home
 204 Dursely Dr., Anderson

**DEACONS' CHRISTMAS
 BREAKFAST
 DECEMBER 2 - 8:30AM**
 Fellowship Hall

**WOMENS' FELLOWSHIP
 JINGLE AND MINGLE
 DROP IN BREAKFAST
 DECEMBER 9 - 8:30AM**
 Fellowship Hall



Thanksgiving Community Service

This Sunday, November 18 - 5:00PM

Come worship with fellow Christians from surrounding churches as we join together to give thanks to God for all His blessings.
 First Baptist Church hosts this year!

Youth Christmas Worship

December 5 - 6:00PM - Youth Sunday School Room

Everyone is invited!

Only a Baby Came

December 12 - 6:00PM

Presented by the FBC Children's Choir
 Followed by Refreshments in the Fellowship Hall

A Christmas Tapestry

December 16 - 9:30AM

Presented by the **FIRST BAPTIST**
 Sanctuary Choir, Children's Choir, and Orchestra

Christmas Candlelight Communion

December 23 - 7:00PM



From one Minister to Another...

This Sunday begins a busy season in the life of our churches. From Thanksgiving to New Years, there's something happening all the time, it seems. We begin this Sunday with our:

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE AT 5 PM

This is our year again to host our community service. Our preacher is Ankoma Anderson, the new pastor of Welfare Baptist Church. His predecessor, Sam Nealy, meant a lot to me as I arrived in Anderson over 23 years ago. Ankoma has "big shoes" to fill, and I hear he's doing so quite well! I've talked with him at a couple of clergy lunch meetings, and I'm impressed. Looking forward to hearing him preach this Sunday afternoon.

Three months after arriving here, it fell to me to preach the sermon at the annual service. It was held at St. Johns that year. It's been our tradition to ask pastors who are new to Anderson to preach. Please join me in welcoming Rev. Anderson to our pulpit this Sunday afternoon.

Addrian tells me he's expecting a large combined choir—too many for the choir loft, perhaps?—and they have a powerful anthem planned. Others can join with our choirs by coming to the choir room at 4:30 for rehearsal.

This Thanksgiving service is an important worship tradition for our church and community. It almost faded away a few years back, but we made an effort to revive it. I encourage you to be present as we join our hearts and voices with fellow believers to offer praise and thanksgiving to God!

So... "Come, ye thankful, people, come!" I look forward to seeing you in church this Sunday—at 9:30 AM and at 5:00 PM. We're blessed! I challenge all of us to live, and give, and worship as the richly blessed people we are!

STEWARDSHIP TIME

As the Thanksgiving season approaches, most churches emphasize stewardship. There's a reason for this: the sincerity of our gratitude is demonstrated by faithful stewardship.

Several years ago, our Stewardship Committee proposed that we do more to encourage all our First Baptist folks to be faithful in their giving. Many of you are faithful stewards already. Others have taken a look at their giving and become more generous as a result of this challenge.

Once again, we are being asked to consider prayerfully what we will give to support the ministries of our church. Maybe the Lord will inspire some of us to grow in our giving. Others may decide for the first time to get their hearts involved in this work for the Lord. Jesus told us, "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

We are all encouraged to make a commitment to give as an expression of our gratitude and faithfulness to God. If you are not presently a generous giver, talk to someone who is. They'll tell you why this emphasis on giving is so important in the Christian life.

Stewardship is at the heart of who we are in Christ. We know what He's given for us. We count it a privilege and joy to give back to Him in return.

God loves cheerful givers! Together, we make Anderson First Baptist a wonderful place to worship, fellowship, and study God's word.

On a personal note, although our "status" around here will be changing soon, Pam and I look forward to making this commitment along with you again this Sunday. We love this church! We are pledging our continued support for the Lord's work through Anderson First Baptist. Please join us as we pledge to faithfully give! Please note that if you do not have a stewardship card already, cards will be available as you arrive to worship this Sunday.

Thank you, church—God bless you!

In a Spirit of Partnership...

James R. Thomason, Pastor

Our Members in Action

November 18

Worship Childcare:

Lori Miller

Deacons of the Week:

Mike Lowe, Offertory Prayer
Jim McCombs, Visitor Outreach

Security:

Mike Eaves and Michael Hatchett

November 25

Worship Childcare:

Jan Page

Deacons of the Week:

Jerry Minyard, Offertory Prayer
Ginger Smith, Visitor Outreach

Security:

Adam Gathers & Charlie Campbell

November Collection Committee

Greg Shore, Fran Singleton,
Rusty Smith, Ed Sokol,
Alene Sullivan, Pat Vickery

Wednesday

November 21

**No Noon or evening meals
or Bible studies
Happy Thanksgiving!**

November 28

Lunch

Spaghetti, Tossed Salad,
Garlic Bread, Dessert, Tea/Coffee

Supper

Taco Casserole with Toppings
(Lettuce, Tomatoes, Sour Cream,
Onion, and Cheese) Fruit,
Dessert, Tea/Coffee

**Lunch and Supper Reservations:
Please contact the church office by
Noon on Tuesdays to make or
cancel your reservations.**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Please note: If you give through pushpay, end of year gifts are due by Wednesday, December 26 due to the length of time debit and credit transactions take to clear. All other end of the year gifts are due by Monday, December 31. If you have any questions please contact Janice Fouts: 224-1622 or Janice.fouts@andersonfbc.org</p>						
2 8:15am Deacons' Christmas Breakfast 9:30am <i>In a Thirsty Land...Streams of HOPE</i> Isaiah 32:1-3, 35:1-6 6:00pm Youth Bible Study	3	4	5 Noon and 6:15pm Bible Study 6:00pm Children's Program Dress Rehearsal 6:00 pm Youth Christmas Worship Everyone is invited!	6	7 Beacon Mailed	8 Ring the Bell for Salvation Army at the Mall Sign up individually or in groups. Times and information sheets are located outside the Deacons' Conference Room.
9 8:30am Women's Fellowship Drop In Breakfast 9:30am <i>And on Earth... the Prince of PEACE</i> Luke 2:11-14; Isaiah 9:2-16 6:00pm Youth Bible Study	10 6:00pm Men's Ministry Meeting	11 6:30pm All Youth Coffee Conversations (Figs Café and Farmacy)	12 Noon Bible Study/ Luncheon 6:00pm <i>Only a Baby Came</i> Children's Christmas Program Followed by Refreshments in the Fellowship Hall	13	14	15
16 9:30am <i>A Christmas Tapestry</i> 6:00pm Youth Bible Study	17 6:00pm Stewardship Meeting	18	19 Noon Bible Study/ Luncheon	20 Beacon Mailed Christmas Break	21 Youth Christmas Party Details TBD	22
23 9:30am Beasts, Grinches, Herods and... Transforming LOVE Matthew 1:18-2:3 7:00pm <i>Christmas Candlelight Communion</i>	<p>Merry Christmas</p> <p>Christmas Break</p> <p>Church Office Closed</p>					
30 9:30am COLLEGE DAY	31 Happy New Year Christmas Break	<p>NEW YEAR'S DAY: Once again, First Baptist will have the opportunity to begin a new year by practicing hospitality. On January 1, 2018, we'll open our doors to welcome our neighbors for lunch, conversation, and a warm blanket. As always, loving volunteers are needed to help assist with this annual FBC tradition. Though some blankets will be purchased with FBC's missions giving, we're happily accepting donations of either blankets or money to purchase blankets to distribute. Sign-up sheets will soon be located at the bulletin board near the Deacon Conference Room.</p>				