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Dear First Baptist Family,

Jerry and I thank you for your prayers, cards and all kinds of expressions of love during Jerry's illness.

Love,  
Jerry & Trish Neal

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for your care and concern for me shown by the many calls, cards and especially your prayers during my recent hospitalization.

You are indeed a blessing to me and I am grateful to be a part of such a special fellowship.

Yours in Christ,  
Alene Sullivan

**Our deepest Sympathy Goes Out To:**

Family and friends of Horace Summey, Jr.

Mathias Richardson and family in the loss of his sister, Norma Kloeckner.

Family and friends of Martha McGee.

**First Baptist Church Contact Information**  
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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, April 23**

- 8:15 AM Baraca Sunday School Class (record broadcast)
- 9:30 AM Worship - Youth Sunday
- 10:00 AM Baraca Service 107.7 WHQA-FM; 1280 WANS-AM
- 10:30 AM Bible Study
- 11:30 AM Senior Adults Meeting
- 4:15 PM VBS Planning Meeting
- 5:00 PM MS & HS Discipleship

**Tuesday, April 25**

- 7:07 AM Youth Breakfast Club
- 10:00 AM The Margaret Williams Bible Study

**Wednesday, April 26**

- 12:00 PM Bible Study / Luncheon
- 5:00 PM Supper - Fellowship Hall
- 5:30 PM M & M Check-In - 3rd Floor
- 5:45 PM Children's Music and Missions
- 6:00 PM MS & HS Discipleship
- 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

**Saturday, April 29 - Sunday, April 30**

Children's D-Now

**Sunday, April 30**

- 8:15 AM Baraca Sunday School Class (record broadcast)
- 9:30 AM Worship - Children's Sunday
- 10:00 AM Baraca Service 107.7 WHQA-FM; 1280 WANS-AM
- 10:30 AM Bible Study
- 11:30 AM Church Conference/Luncheon
- 4:15 PM VBS Planning Meeting
- 5:00 PM Youth - Open Gym
- 6:00 PM MS & HS Discipleship

**Tuesday, May 2**

- 7:07 AM Youth - Breakfast Club

**Wednesday, May 3**

- 12:00 PM Bible Study / Luncheon
- 5:00 PM Supper - Fellowship Hall
- 5:30 PM M & M Check-In - 3rd Floor
- 5:45 PM Children's Music and Missions
- 6:00 PM Youth Worship - Youth SS Room
- 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

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**



**Stephanie, Savannah, Ian, and Brett Patterson**

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April 23, 2017



**YOUTH SUNDAY**  
**April 23 - 9:30 AM**  
**FBC Youth will lead us in**  
**9:30 AM worship service.**

**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY**  
**April 30 - 9:30 AM**  
**FBC Children will lead us in**  
**the 9:30 AM worship service.**



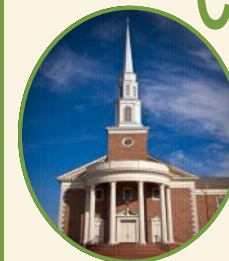
## CHURCH CONFERENCE & LUNCHEON

**April 30th - 11:30 am**

Fellowship Hall  
(12:15pm if attending the conference only)

**Elect Nominating and Deacon Committees**

**Menu:** Oven Fried Chicken, Hash Brown Casserole, Veggie Bake, Fruit Salad, Dessert, Tea/Coffee (Adults \$5.00 and Children \$2.50)  
Please make reservations for lunch by calling 224-1622.



**From one Minister to Another...**

Last Sunday, we celebrated the resurrection of Christ, and what a joyous occasion it was! Both the sunrise service and morning worship service were beautifully led through word and song. We were blessed with many guests and extended family members who attended the services, and your hospitality and kindness did not go unnoticed. First Baptist Church of Anderson is truly a lovely and special place to be!

Our church has continuously been encouraging and supportive of the young people in our congregation, and I am very grateful. I'm currently organizing the summer calendar, and have many trips, events, mission opportunities, and Bible studies planned for our young people. The summer is a long, tiring season for me, but it is arguably the most important time for our church's youth and children's ministries. The summer is full of these opportunities to be together because it is when we can grow together as a group and relationships with God deepen, without the pressures of school. Please be in prayer for the teachers and students as they finish their school year and pray for our quickly-approaching summer experiences to be fruitful.

We are also preparing for special worship services over the next two Sundays:

**April 23 is Youth Sunday and April 30 is Children's Sunday.**

Young people, this includes college, youth, and children, are often seen solely as the future of the church. This seems to imply that they aren't really a part of the church. When young people participate in their perspective student-led worship services, people often want to applaud them for their performance. The thought for many is that this is a break from our regular worship.

Over the next two weeks, may we see our young people as full participants in the present church. May we see our young people not as performers on a stage wanting approval, but as persons who will help lead us in worship. May we worship God together, as we do each Sunday.

See you then,  
Amy

**Our Members in Action**

**April 23**

**Worship Childcare:**

Haley Whitney, Beverly and Danny Stone

**Deacons of the Week:**

Rusty Smith, Offertory Prayer  
Becky Campbell, Visitor Outreach

**Security:**

Jeff Neal and Donnie Campbell

**April 30**

**Worship Childcare:**

Paula Ballentine and Caty Wentzky

**Deacons of the Week:**

Jerry Neal, Offertory Prayer  
Howard Murphy, Visitor Outreach

**Security:**

Steve Thrasher and Dewey Boyd

**April Collection Committee**

Becky Campbell, Mathias Richardson,  
Steve Madden, Alicia Neal Darby,  
Charlie Ballentine, Tom Allen

**Wednesday Lunch & Supper**

**April 26**

**Lunch and Supper**

Chicken Tenders, Rice and Gravy,  
Lima Beans, Corn, Dessert, Tea/Coffee

**May 3**

**Lunch and Supper**

Baked Ham, Pineapple Casserole, Sweet  
Potatoes, Green Beans, Dessert, Tea/Coffee

**\*Lunch and Supper Reservations\***

Please contact the church office by Noon on  
Tuesdays to make or cancel your reservations.

**Will you be graduating this year from  
High School or College?**  
Please plan to be a part of our **Graduate  
Recognition Service and Brunch on Sunday, May 21**

We'd like three photos of you, one graduation photo and two from earlier stages of life for our slideshow. We'd also like a photo of you for our monthly newsletter, the Beacon (this can be the same graduation photo from above if you wish.) If you are dropping off media to be copied, please place in an envelope. Label the envelope with the graduate's name. You may also submit media on CD, thumb drive, or email as JPEG files to Sharon Royals: [sharon.royals@andersonfbc.org](mailto:sharon.royals@andersonfbc.org) by 4:00pm **Friday, May 12**. If you have not received a letter in the mail, please contact Amy Brown (224-1622) for more information.



| Sunday   | Monday  | Tuesday   | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday | Saturday |
|--|---|---|--|---|--------|----------|
|  | 1   | 2<br>7:07am Youth Breakfast Club  | 3<br>Noon and 6:15pm Bible Study   | 4   | 5      | 6        |
| <b>Parent Child Dedication<br/>Mother's Day, Sunday, May 14<br/>9:30 AM Worship Service</b><br>Celebrate this special Day with us!<br>Please call the church office (224-1622) if you plan to participate. |   |   |  |   |        |          |
| 7<br>9:30am<br><i>The Final Testimony of Our Risen Savior</i><br>Rev. 22:1-7,16-17<br>10:30am<br><b>Children's Breakfast Fundraiser</b><br>6:00pm - MS & HS Discipleship                                   | 8<br>7:00pm<br><b>Men's Ministry Meeting and Fish Fry</b> | 9<br>7:07am Youth Breakfast Club  | 10<br>Noon and 6:15pm Bible Study<br>6:00pm<br>Children's Spring Program Dress Rehearsal             | 11<br>Beacon Mailed   | 12     | 13       |
| 14<br><i>Mother's Day</i><br>9:30am<br><i>As a Mother Comforts Her Child</i><br>Ex. 20:21; Prov. 1:8; II Tim. 1:5<br>Parent Child Dedication<br>6:00pm - MS & HS Discipleship                              | 15<br>6:00pm<br>Stewardship Meeting                       | 16<br>7:07am Youth Breakfast Club   | 17<br>No Noon Bible Study/Luncheon<br>5:00pm<br>Supper<br>6:00pm<br><b>Children's Spring Program</b> | 18<br>10:00am<br><b>Senior Adult Trip to the Lowe's Home for a Hamburger cookout and boat rides</b>   | 19     | 20       |
| 21<br>9:30am<br><i>Foundations: In the Beginning ...A New Day</i><br>Gen. 1 (Selections)<br><b>Graduate Recognition</b><br>11:30am<br>Deacons' Meeting<br>6:00pm<br>MS & HS Discipleship                   | 22  | 23<br>7:07am Youth Breakfast Club<br>10:00am<br>Margaret Williams Bible Study | 24<br>Noon<br>Bible Study/Luncheon<br>6:00pm<br><b>RA Racers and Hot Dog Supper</b>                  | 25<br>Beacon Mailed   | 26     | 27       |
| 28<br>9:30am<br><i>Foundations: In the Beginning ...A New Responsibility</i><br>Gen. 2:1-15  | 29<br><b>memorial DAY</b><br>No School                    | 30<br>7:07am Youth Breakfast Club   | 31<br>Noon Bible Study/Luncheon  | <b>Passport Kids</b><br>New location: Summerton, SC at<br>Bob Cooper 4-H Center<br>June 27-30 – for students who<br>have finished 3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> grade<br>Total Cost is \$200<br>Registration deadline is April 23<br>with a \$50 deposit.<br><b>Breakfast fundraiser May 7</b> |        |          |