

COLLEGE DAY
December 30

NEW YEAR'S DAY COMMUNITY MEAL
January 1, 2019

CHURCH BASKETBALL LEAGUE GAME SCHEDULE
December 2018

Date	Class	Time	Location
12/04	Girls	7:30 PM	First Presbyterian
	17U	8:30 PM	First Baptist
12/13	Girls	7:30 PM	First Presbyterian
	17U	8:30 PM	Central Presbyterian
12/17	Girls	8:30 PM	First Baptist
12/18	17U	8:30 PM	First Presbyterian

Come out and support our teams!!

WHITE POINSETTIAS

The white poinsettias are in memory of Richard Kingsley Allen, Sr., Mary Masters Allen, and Richard K. (Dick) Allen, Jr. and are given by the family.

Prayer Request / Information Update:

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

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

307 S. Manning Street, Anderson, SC 29624
Staff Ministers - Church Office: 224-1622
FBC Child Development Center: 224-2635
Office Hours:

Mon. - Thurs. 9:00 - 4:00; Fri. 9:00 - 3:00

Rev. Amy Brown, Minister of Students

Mrs. Shannon Griffin, CDC Director

Mrs. Ramona Hallman, Organist

Dr. Josh Hunt, Associate Pastor

Mr. Jamie Smith, Asst. Music Director

Mrs. Kelly Smith, Pianist

Dr. James 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.

- FirstBaptistAnderson
- FBCAndersonSC
- andersonfbc.org

Wednesday, December 5

Lunch and Supper

Chicken Tenders, Creamed Potatoes, Green Beans, Corn, Dessert, Tea/Coffee

Please circle to indicate the meal time you are reserving:

lunch or **supper**

Menu is subject to change

Name _____

Number in my family: ___ Children (\$2.50),

___ Adults (\$5), or Family (\$15)

Please place in the offering plate or call the church office 224-1622 by noon on Tuesday to make or cancel your lunch or supper reservation. (includes carry outs)

In a Thirsty Land... Streams of HOPE
Isaiah 32:1-3, 35:5-6

_____, _____, _____, and _____—these are the _____ of heart and soul that we try to bring into _____ during _____.

The Prophet Isaiah sought to address the _____ he saw in the lives of God's people--who, if they understand the _____ _____, should never see themselves as being in a _____.

Isaiah, inspired by God, uses words to paint a very _____ picture of a _____ being changed into a place of _____ and _____.

Twenty-five hundred years ago, God's people were _____, defeated, and _____. They were _____ in a _____.

The picture begins with _____ (Isaiah 35:1-2): dry, parched land; burning sand; _____. To be there is to be _____. Isaiah uses this image to speak of _____ that exist in each of our lives when we're _____.

_____ is our once-every-year celebration of the _____ that God has come to us _____.

_____ Christ by _____ and _____ Him as _____ of your life, and the _____ of your _____ becomes a _____ that grows hope, peace, joy, and love.

The picture _____ (Is 35:5-6). Isaiah paints a portrait of people who previously had serious _____, but no longer: for the eyes of the blind are _____, the ears of the deaf are _____, the lame are _____, and the speechless are _____!

John the Baptist sent messengers to Jesus to ask if he truly was _____? Jesus replied: 'the _____, the _____... His credentials were _____.

Those of us who can _____ because we're so loaded down with burdens can _____ when these burdens are handed over to the Lord who tells us to bring _____ to Him.

There are churches named "_____" Every church should be as _____, and should offer something as _____ to people's lives, as a _____ in the middle of a _____!

A _____ will cut across this desert that's now become a garden! It starts in _____, the place of exile, and goes all the way to _____. This highway is called "_____" And it's filled with God's people who are Making that long journey _____.

Our deliverance is not from captivity in _____, but from _____ to _____ and _____. The road we travel is Jesus' "_____" _____, the _____, and the _____."

Good news!

Jesus Christ is with us in _____, and He is _____.

Welcome



FIRST BAPTIST
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

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In a Thirsty Land... Streams of HOPE
Isaiah 32:1-3, 35:5-6

December 2, 2018



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Organ Prelude.....*O Come, O Come Emmanuel*.....arr. Leavitt-Manz
Ramona Hallman, Organist

Acolytes: Ava and Grant Strickland

Greetings and Announcements.....Josh Hunt

Hymn No. 77.....*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*.....HYFRYDOL

Leader: On this first Sunday of Advent, we light the candle of hope.

**People: Hope is our assurance that God will finish all He has started.
Hope is our confidence that He will do all He has promised.**

Leader: All the promises of God are fulfilled in Jesus Christ.
He is our hope, today and forever! (II Cor. 1:20)

People: Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift! (II Cor. 9:15)

The Lighting of the Advent Candle of HOPE
Casey, Alison, Garret, Grant, and Ava Strickland

Choral Response.....*Christ, Be Our Light*.....B. Farrell

*Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.*

Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

Chiming of the Trinity.....Sara Kate Smith

Prayer.....Amy Brown

Songs of Praise and Worship

O Come, O Come Emmanuel.....arr. Chapman
Our God (with O Come, All Ye Faithful).....arr. Tomlin

(Children will remain in the worship service today.)

Offertory.....*Still, Still, Still*.....Herbster
Kelly Smith, Pianist and Kendra Hamilton Violinist

PRaising GOD FOR HIS GIFTS TO US (DOXOLOGY OLD 100th)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts!
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

Offertory Prayer.....Sonny Reed

Anthem.....*An Advent Credo*.....J. Martin
Sanctuary Choir

*I believe in joy. I believe in the promise of morning.
I believe that Christ will come and wipe our tears away.
I believe in hope. I believe in the life everlasting.
I believe that Christ will come and bring a bright new day.
Lord, in my heart, I believe.*

*When the darkness falls around me, in the still of the night,
When shadows all surround me, faith will lead me to the morning light.*

*I believe in peace. I believe in a song of tomorrow.
I believe that Christ will come and war shall be no more.
I believe in love. I believe in the grace that unites us.
I believe that Christ will come in glory from above.*

I believe in joy. I believe in hope. I believe in peace. I believe in Love.

Message.....*In a Thirsty Land... Streams of HOPE*.....Jim Thomason
Isaiah 32:1-3, 35:5-6

Hymn No. 416.....*My Faith Looks Up to Thee*.....OLIVET

Benediction.....Josh Hunt

Organ Postlude.....*Hail to the Lord's Anointed*.....arr. Michael Burkhardt
Ramona Hallman, Organist

LOTTIE MOON / GLOBAL MISSIONS CHRISTMAS OFFERING Through the month of December

PLEASE NOTE:

Sunday School classes that meet in the McConnell Building may be in alternate locations for several weeks while our boiler is replaced in that building. Please check with your classmates to be sure you're going to the correct location. Thank you for your patience as we work to install a new boiler.

BIBLE STUDY/LUNCHEON December 5

The New Horizons Orchestra, a 25-member ensemble, will join us for our lunchtime gathering and will perform following lunch.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM REHEARSALS Wednesday, December 5th - 5:30 - 7:00PM

Sunday, December 9th - 11:30AM - 1:30PM—Meet in the Choir Room

Performance, Wednesday, December 12th

Children please arrive at 5:30 dressed in Christmas attire.
Program will begin at 6:00pm

RING THE BELL FOR SALVATION ARMY AT THE MALL December 8

Sign up individually or in groups. Times and information sheets are located outside the Deacons' Conference Room.

WOMENS' FELLOWSHIP JINGLE AND MINGLE DROP IN BREAKFAST December 9 - 8:30AM

Fellowship Hall

MEN'S MINISTRY MEETING AND LOW COUNTRY BOIL December 10 - 6:00PM

Fellowship Hall

YOUTH - COFFEE CONVERSATIONS AT FIGS CAFE 6:30 - 7:30PM

All Youth: **December 11**

RA/GA LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS PARTY December 19 - 6:30 - 7:00PM

Gym

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

Opportunities at First Baptist

Sunday, December 2

8:15 AM Baraca Sunday School Class
(record Radio Broadcast)
8:15 PM Deacons' Christmas Breakfast
9:30 AM Worship
10:00 AM Replay Baraca Service
107.7 WHQA-FM or 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

Wednesday, December 5

12:00 PM Bible Study/Luncheon
4:00 PM Youth Open Gym
5:00 PM Supper
5:30 PM Children's Program Dress Rehearsal
6:00 PM Youth Christmas Worship Praise Team Rehearsal
Conversation Café Rm 212
6:15 PM Adult Bible Study
7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
GA & RA Check-Out 3rd Floor

Thursday, December 6

Beacon Mailed

Our Members In Action

December 2

Worship Childcare

Chad and Kara Waters

Deacons of the Week

Sonny Reed, Offertory Prayer
Susan Reed, Visitor Outreach

Security

Ed Sokol and Bradley Orr

December 9

Worship Childcare

J.J. and Bradley Orr

Deacons of the Week

Mathias Richardson, Offertory Prayer
David Stoddard, Visitor Outreach

Security

Pat Vickery and Kevin McCoy

December Collection Committee

Chad Waters, Skip Brown,
Guy Eichman, Michael Hatchett,
Mike Lowe, Jim McCombs

Welcome to

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Communication Card

It is a joy to have you with us for worship today. We hope you find the service meaningful and receive a warm welcome from our First Baptist family. We count it a privilege to have guests with us, and you are encouraged to join us for Bible study and worship at every opportunity.

We want to get to know you and answer any questions you may have about our church. If you are searching for a church home, please consider First Baptist. We would love to include you in the family!

Our Purpose is to Reflect the Love of Jesus Christ by Loving God through Sincere Worship and Devoted Discipleship,
Loving Others through Consistent Witness and Compassionate Ministry,
Loving Life in Christ through Faithful Involvement in the Fellowship of His Church.

(Please place this tear-off form in the offering plate.)

Date _____ update info

I am a:

guest regular attender member

Mr. Mrs. Miss Ms.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Zip _____ Subdivision _____

Age (circle one): 5-10 11-17 18-25

25-29 30's 40's 50's 60's 70+

Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

E-mail _____

I am interested in:

- Learning more about this church
- Christian Baptism
- How to become a Christian
- Service Opportunities
- Other
