



Dear Church Family,

September has been a blessed month as there were many opportunities to be a part of what God is doing in First Baptist Church. The choir kicked off their preparation for their Christmas production. We were incredibly blessed by the Singing Churchmen of South Carolina. The women had a great time hearing Stephanie Bell's testimony. We had new deacons elected with 6 of the men needing to be ordained. Many of those men are younger men within our church. We are seeing more younger families coming, which is creating a need in our children's area for more volunteers (which is always a good thing.) I am thankful for the response to our new series of messages "Loving Beyond" as we allow God to challenge us to love beyond those who are close to Christ so to love those who are far from Christ.

As God continues to bless, may we as a church be found faithful in being good stewards of what He is entrusting to us.

The greatest responsibility we have is to be good stewards of all the people God is entrusting to us.

Part of that stewardship is being willing to step up and serve beyond to help with needs that are always created when a church is growing. As already mentioned, we have a pressing need for more volunteers in our children's area. There are so many ways to volunteer, so please reach out to Stephanie Caldwell to see where you can serve. We also need more teachers for our Sunday School classes on Sunday mornings. To not stunt our growth, we have to "birth" new classes to provide appropriate space for those who attend.

September has been amazing and there is no reason to not expect God to continue to bless in October. It is a great time to be part of First Baptist Church. Make sure you are here to experience all that God has for you.

Beyond 1201,

Pastor Rusty

for current events and activities, more information and links to register
firstbaptistcamden.org/whats-new

Loving BEYOND

Current Sermon Series

Miss a message? Visit firstbaptistcamden.org/watch/sermon-archive

a First Ladies Event



November 4 . 5-7 pm
register at tinyurl.com/fbcftandf



TRAINING DAY

october 7

LIGHT BREAKFAST @ 8:30 AM . TRAINING TILL 11:30 AM

tinyurl.com/fbctechtraining

MEDIA CENTER

The Media Center has opportunities to Love Beyond 1201! Currently, we need volunteers to expand our open hours, to read to children in the after-school program in our daycare, and to read to those in assisted living facilities. To get more information, please call Sandy Kimmel at 803-467-3305.

BAPTISM

Celebration
OCTOBER 22

YOUNG AT HEART

OCTOBER 12

Trip to Mr. B's Seafood

OCTOBER 24 - 11:45 AM

Senior Choir from Spring Valley Baptist Church
Fellowship Center | Lunch | \$8 at the Door

Thank You Sanford Cauthen for Your Work &
Service as an FBC Employee for 15 years!

DEACON ELECTION

Elected to a three-year term:

Austin Braddock, Martin Caudill, Shaun Epps, Britt Gardner, Gene Hornsby, Phillip Hudson, Nathan Mitcham, Marc Quigley, Jimmy Rogers, John Paul Smith, and David Vaughan

Woodie Dixon was elected and will serve an unexpired two-year term.

The Constitution and Bylaws Committee will be presenting more updates to the document at the Church Conference on November 5. These will include changes to some Policies and Procedures. Packets of these updates will be available no later than Friday, October 20, in the Welcome Center, the Fellowship Center, first floor of the East Building, and the church office. These packets will contain only the proposals; the current Policies and Procedures will be available in the church office for review and comparison.

First Celebrations with Pastor Phillip

- We had 5 participate in Baptism Celebration, and are looking forward to another this month!

- The Choir Christmas Kickoff was a great success. Preparation has begun, but it is not too late to be a part of this wonderful opportunity to share the reason for the season through music.

- Discipleship Classes have begun, but if you would like to learn new Bible Study Methods or how to share your faith, it is not too late to join a class!

- Good News Clubs have begun in our schools. If you would like to help at Camden Elementary, reach out to Stephanie Caldwell.

- If you were not able to attend The Singing Churchmen, you missed out! It was a great, wonderful, uplifting evening of worship.

- First Students fed the Bulldogs before their big game. We are grateful to be able to partner with our local schools. A big thank you to our kitchen staff for a great meal!

- There was a great turn out for Bagels & Biscuits sponsored by our First Ladies Ministry. Stephanie Bell's testimony was a blessing for all in attendance.

- Young At Heart had a great time of food and fellowship as always! If you are 55+, be sure to join them for future gatherings.



TRUNK OR TREAT

OCTOBER 29
5:00 PM

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CANDY DONATIONS NEEDED

SIGN-UP TO HOST A TRUNK OR VOLUNTEER TO HELP, [TINYURL.COM/FBC23TORT](https://tinyurl.com/FBC23TORT)



NO WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES
OCTOBER 11 DUE TO FALL BREAK
EXCEPT CHOIR & ORCHESTRA REHEARSAL



OUR
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
IS GROWING!
WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!
CONTACT STEPHANIE CALDWELL TO HELP



GAMES . WORSHIP . BIBLE STUDY . SMALL GROUPS

WNL
WEDNESDAYS @6PM

6TH-12TH GRADE
IN THE YOUTH ROOM



OCTOBER 2023

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday
9:15 am - Sunday School - Bible Studies 10:30 am - Worship 10:30 am - Kids Worship 4:00 pm - Sharing Your Faith with Pastor Rusty 4:00 pm - Bible Study Methods with Pastor Phillip 4:00 pm - Acteens
Monday
6:00 pm - Ladies' Hebrews Bible Study
Tuesday
9:00 am - Staff Meeting
Wednesday
10:00 am - Ladies' Hebrews Bible Study 10:00 am - Ladies' Exodus Bible Study 3:00 pm - Children's Reading in Library 4:30 pm - Handbell Practice 4:45 pm - Wednesday Night Supper 6:00 pm - Prayer Meeting & Adult Bible Study 6:00 pm - Youth WNL 6:00 pm - Preschool & Kids Choirs 6:30 pm - Sanctuary Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal 6:30 pm - RAs, GAs, & Mission Friends
Thursday
6:45 am - Men's Bible Readers Encouragement Group at Chick-fil-A
Saturday
6:30 am - Men's Accountability (Zoom)

UPCOMING EVENTS

3	TUESDAY 2:30 pm - Good News Club
5	THURSDAY 5:00 pm - First Kids Volunteer at Camden Elementary's Fall Festival
7	SATURDAY 8:30 am - Tech Training
10	TUESDAY 10:00 am - Heartshapers, Bible Study Group, and Ropeholders
12	THURSDAY Young at Heart Trip to Mr. B's Seafood
17	TUESDAY 2:30 pm - Good News Club
22	SUNDAY Baptism Celebration During Worship 11:30 am - Deacon/Widow/Widower Lunch 4:00 pm - Fiber Fanatics 4:00 pm - Women in Action 4:30 pm - Love, Serve, Give
24	TUESDAY 11:45 am - Young at Heart 2:30 pm - Good News Club
29	SUNDAY 5:00 pm - Trunk or Treat - Serving Beyond

Oct. 1, 15 & 22: Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal at 3:00 pm

SEPTEMBER TOTALS

Monthly Budget.....	\$149,690
September Giving.....	\$132,701
Year to Date Budget.....	\$1,347,205
Year to Date Giving.....	\$1,390,438

Average Sunday School Attendance..	370
Average Worship Attendance.....	480

September Designated Funds

WMU.....	\$120
Building Fund.....	\$725
Sacks of Love.....	\$340
CLC Project.....	\$50
Janie Chapman.....	\$9,940
Benevolence.....	\$1,000
Young at Heart.....	\$50

Welcome to the
Family
first
CAMDEN



SANDRA DIXON



BRADLEY BEAN



BRANTLEY
GARDNER



FRANCES
WATKINS



MILLS SANDERS



JULIANNE
BLACKBURN

OUR CHURCH STAFF

Minister.....Every Member
Pastor.....Dr. Rusty Shuler
Associate/Admin Pastor.....Phillip Gerrald
Minister to Students.....Clint Ellis
Minister of Music.....Tommy Sunderland
Director of Children's Ministries
.....Stephanie Caldwell

Support Staff:

Office Manager/Bookkeeper.....Tracy Collier
Pastor's Ministry Assistant.....Angie Black
Administrative Assistant.....Amber McCaskill
Facilities Manager.....Chase Sutton
Kitchen Manager.....Jason Baccomo
Childcare Center Director.....Amy Shivar

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for more information and
links to register



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LOVING BEYOND
IN OCTOBER
Please Collect
Girls Hair
Accessories or
Costume Jewelry.
GOAL - 315 ITEMS



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of items, visit tinyurl.com/FBC2023OCC

