

Opportunities for the Week

SUNDAY, December 24

9:45AM Happy Birthday Jesus Party (for Adults, Youth & Children)
 11:00AM Christmas Cantata: Lessons & Carols
 4:30PM Prelude by Instrumental Ensemble
 5:00PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

MONDAY, December 25 Christmas Day – FBC office closed

TUESDAY, December 26 FBC office closed

SUNDAY, December 31

9:45AM Sunday School
 11:00AM Worship

MONDAY, January 1 Happy New Year – FBC office closed

WEDNESDAY, January 3

5:15PM Fellowship Meal
 6:00PM Growing Young Study
 6:00PM Youth, RA's, GA's, Mission Friends

Records at-a-Glance

Sunday School Attendance 12/17	142
Worship Attendance 12/17	197
Weekly Budget Requirement	\$11,364.00
Budget Receipts 12/10	\$8,215.98
YTD Budget Receipts 11/30	\$485,710.08
YTD Expenses thru 11/30	\$512,702.04
Capital Campaign Receipts thru 12/10	\$252,050.00
Capital Campaign Commitments	\$278,595.00

MEMORIALS

General Fund

Lisa Hooker by J.C. & Ann Boone
Lisa Hooker by Peggy Hill
Dr. Carl Bowen by Peggy Hill
Lisa Hooker by M/M Reed Furr
Ted Furr by M/M Reed Furr
Lisa Hooker by the Ladies Study Group

Building Fund

Lisa Hooker by Judy Springer

World Missions Fund

Lisa Hooker by Kay & Stan Weathersbee
Chris Newton by Kay & Stan Weathersbee

Organ Fund

Burnie Miller by M/M Norman Wilson

Kaleb Furr Fund

Kaleb Furr by Melinda Lee Owen

HONORARIA

World Missions Fund

Dr. Ann Brewer by the Gleaners Sunday School Class
Pat Wilson by the Gleaners Sunday School Class

General Fund

Mary Akin by the Service Sunday School Class
Barbara Bowers by the Service Sunday School Class (continued)

HONORARIA (continued)

Mary Furr by M/M Reed Furr
Teachers-Chris Newton Class by the Chris Newton Sunday School Class
Don Bennett by Nancy D. Bennett
Operation Christmas Child Fund
Bob & Olivia Sweet by Stacy & Robyn Guy

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Deadline for submissions for the TIE is Tuesday at noon

Our Church Family

MISSIONARIES

Rob & Amanda Rone	Myanmar
John Taylor	Far East
Molly Peele	Rhode Island

PRAYER LIST

Sue Hunsucker, Linda Hall, Jane Pendergraft, Sylvia Scholl, Kip Medlin, Mary Sullivan, Peggy Richardson, Julie Crumpler, Nita Bayles, Joanna Morgan, Gary Faulk, Barbara Bowers, Pat Ellison, Myra Land, Wayne Burris, Geraldine Causby, Betty Hartley, Frances Newton, Jont Johnson, Jeremy Hurlburt, Jim Henson, Eston West, Laura Trumfio, Doris Mauney, Danny Martin, Anne Denning Myers, Mary Akin

CONTINUAL CARE

Mildred Archer, Mildred Cooper, Joan English, Mary Furr, Ann Gaskin, Frances Newton, Helen Mauldin, Jack Bane, Max Clayton, Aileen Taylor, Herman Faulkner, Barbara Hicks, Mary Sullivan, David & Sandy Young, David Sanges, Lu Phelps, Pete Johnson, Peggy Hill, Mary Garber Don Bennett, Carol Brummitt, Rachel Chandler, Jim Mauney, Agnes Blalock, John & Bonnie Herring, Raynell Cooke, Bear Knotts, Patsy Turbeville, Patty Lowder, Betty Hartley

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Words From the Pastor

Merry Christmas! My hope and prayer for all of us is that we will cherish the moments this Christmas season with our family and friends. For whatever reason, I have been reminded more than ever how short and valuable time really is. Enjoy the gifts the Lord has given us and may God bless you and keep you.

A new year is also upon us. 2018 is just right around the corner and that means that we will soon welcome our new Associate Pastor of Family Ministries, Rev. Jacob Waldrip and his wife Brittani. Jacob's first day with our church will be January 2.

As Jacob begins, he inherits a healthy ministry with our children and youth. Thanks to the foundation Rev. Michael Furr built during his ministry, our interim Children's Director and Youth Director have been able to take the ministries to the next level. I truly appreciate the work Christy Brown and Alyssa Queen have done during the transition. They have been invaluable to the church and to the day-to-day running of the ministries.

The good news is that both Christy and Alyssa will remain with their respective areas of ministry. Christy will continue to work with Jacob as our volunteer Children's Ministry Coordinator. She will assist Jacob in planning and leading children's ministry programming for birth-5th grade.

Alyssa will transition into the role of Ministry Intern in 2018. As a Ministry Intern, she will continue to explore her call into ministry by working with our middle school and high school students under the guidance of Jacob. In addition, she will use her gifts to enhance the ministry of the church at-large by teaching and preaching at different times. The Ministry Internship has been financially supported by a generous donor and will not impact our 2018 budget.

In addition to the new Ministry Intern position, the church leaders have agreed to continue the Children's Ministry Internship with Scottie Chambers for the spring semester. This will help Scottie continue to grow in his work with our children on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. In addition, it will provide Jacob some time to discern how we want to move forward with our Children's Church during Sunday morning worship.

I continue to be thankful for the way our church has embraced the idea of teaching young people and giving them opportunities to explore their gifts and talents for God's kingdom. It has been a tremendous addition to our church and has brought vitality to our church as a whole. I am looking forward to 2018 and what God has in store for our church!

Christmas Eve Schedule

9:45 am Happy Birthday Jesus Party (FH)
11:00 am Christmas Cantata: Lessons and Carols
5:00 pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
(Gathering music by Instrumental Ensemble begins at 4:30)

GOAL: \$10,000.00

Collected: \$9,966.00

The World Missions offering will be collected through the end of December. Help us reach our goal!



Deacon of the Week

John Sullivan
Bruce Myers

December 24 – December 30
December 31 – January 6

General Announcements



Home Dedication

Please join us as we celebrate with the Pennington family and bless their home.

Date: Saturday, January 6, 2018

Time: 10:00 am

Location: 33575 Mann Road
Albemarle, NC 28001

The Pennington Family



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Year-End Contributions

Any contributions designated for 2017 giving statement, must be turned into the church office by December 31st. The ONLY exception to this rule is an envelope postmarked by **December 31st**. Please remember that the church office will be closed: **Monday December 25th; Tuesday, December 26th; Wednesday, December 27th; Monday, January 1st.**

Any stock contributions for 2017 must be received by First Baptist by December 31st to be counted as a 2017 contribution. This usually takes a few days to turn around so please plan ahead. If you have any questions, please call Sandra Stone at [704-982-2111](tel:704-982-2111). Thank you for supporting our ministry together.

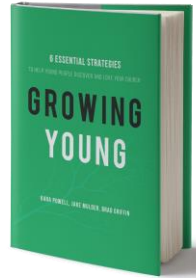
Welcome Basket for Jacob and Brittani Waldrip

Gift Cards (restaurants, Lowe's, Walmart, etc.) are being collected for a Welcome Basket to greet Jacob and Brittani as they join our church family. A basket will be located in the church office for you to drop off the cards. We will present them with the basket on Wednesday, January 3. Let's help make them feel welcome into our church and community!

Growing Young Conversations Wednesdays in January and February

6:00-7:00

Churches in America are losing both members and vitality as increasing numbers of young people disengage. Yet, unleashing the passion of young people in our church is possible. Based on groundbreaking research with over 250 of the nation's leading congregations, Growing Young provides a framework for us to have conversations around how we can help young people grow spiritually, emotionally, missionary and numerically. Come join the conversation!



THANK YOU

Thank you for helping with the Angel Tree gifts for Albemarle Middle School.

JOY Group

JOY Lunch: Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at NOON.

Upcoming Trips: JOY Trip to Anderson, SC: Senior Follies
Saturday, March 17, 2018, 4PM performance and
The Ark Encounter: June 18-21, 2018 – Charter Bus
More information available soon! Mark your calendars!

Family Ministry News

Youth Winter Retreat
February 16-18
Fort Caswell



Missions Corner

Community Christmas Lunch
Monday, December 25
10:00AM-2:00PM @ Central UMC

SCCM Needs for January

Canned Meat: tuna, chicken, spam, salmon.