

<i>HONORARIUMS & MEMORIALS</i>	
FROM: BUDGET	IN MEMORY:
Doyle & Linds Jones	Tom Emerson
Eddy & Gigi Huckabee	Tom Emerson
Stephen & Leslie Couick	Tom Emerson
Donna Peeples	Tom Emerson
Suzanne Seabrook	Tom Emerson
Patrick & Belinda Casey	Tom Emerson
Palmetto Infusion Serviv	Tom Emerson
Pat Womack	Tom Emerson
PRAYER GARDEN	
Archie & Shirley Hanna	Marilyn West
Greg & Wallis Taylor	Tom Emerson
FAMILY BENEVOLENCE	
Vickie Tompkins & Cammie Steele	Marilyn West
YOUTH	
Trudy Zothner & Family	Bob Zothner

CURRENT MISSIONS—WMU

The Ladies Current Missions Group will begin meeting the first Tuesday of each month at 11:00 in room E—107 starting Tuesday, February 6. All ladies are encouraged to attend.

The group is planning several key missional opportunities and would love your input.

Leadership positions will be decided at this meeting. Call the church office or see Wilma Shelley for details.

Young As Ever

Tuesday, JANUARY 9th at 11:00

Bring a Covered Dish, Salad, or Dessert
And Bring a Friend!

Young As Ever is open to anyone
55 and older!

In Touch Ministry Honors...

Katherine Harrison Rm.110 The Landings 2563 N. Fraser St. Georgetown, SC 29440	Danny Jernigan Rm.135 Veteran’s Victory House 2461 Sidneys Rd. Walterboro, SC 29488
Blinda Hutchinson Rm.118 The Landings 2563 N. Fraser St. Georgetown, SC 29440	Betty Lawrimore 75 Egret Circle Georgetown, SC 29440

Send an Encouragement Card Today!

Faithful In Giving DECEMBER 2023

Monthly Required \$104,166.31	Monthly Difference \$76,977.70	Annual Budget \$1,249,995.50	Budget Required to Date \$1,249,995.50	Budget Received To Date \$1,357,827.37	YTD Difference \$107,831.87
Received \$181,144.01					
FUNDS:					
Disaster Relief \$4,275.25					
Prayer Garden \$10,413.94					
Organ Repair \$15,856.57					
Trail Life Scholarships \$8,804.93					
Family Life Center Roof \$23,116.00					
Youth Camp Scholarships \$629.90					
Other Funds:					
Daniels Scholarship					
Tamsberg Scholarship					
Moore—Mixson Health					
Occupation Scholarship					
Honorariums & Memorials may be made to any of the above funds or the General Budget. Acknowledgement cards are sent to each individual.					
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“You will be blessed in every way, and you will be able to keep on being generous.” 2 Corinthians 9:11a					
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To God be the Glory!					
Thank You!					

Staff Connections...

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Associate Pastor Rev. Keith Wall keith@fbcgeorgetown.org
Minister to Students Rev. Jack Powers jack@fbcgeorgetown.org
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Pianist Mrs. Kathy Newton
Organist Mrs. Ruth Reames
Mr. Kail Page Drummer
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Food Service Coordinator Mrs. Nancy Rowell
Web/APP/Maintenance Sam Shelley sam@fbcgeorgetown.org

Sunday School: 9:00 AM
Worship: 10:15 AM

Weekly Attendance
Averages for DECEMBER
Worship: 353
Sunday School: 187

Neighbor To Neighbor

Outreach bags are available in the church office for you to pick up any time.

JANUARY 2024

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“A man's steps are from the LORD”
Proverbs 20:24

Happy New Year FBC Georgetown!

This verse in Proverbs is a great reminder for us all as we begin a new year to focus on Jesus Christ as He directs our steps. One hymn writer put it this way: “Every Day with Jesus is Sweeter than the Day Before.” That is so true for every Believer, even when the trials of life seem to press in and weigh us down.

Here is an important question we each need to ask: “How am I asking Jesus to guide my steps this year?” Jeremiah reminds us that God alone knows the plans He has for us. Are you seeking Him as He fulfills those plans?

Perhaps He has plans to send you on mission somewhere in this world this year. Perhaps He has plans for a new career opportunity. Perhaps He has plans for a ministry opportunity such as teaching a Sunday school class or facilitating a Discipleship group. What about new friendships? What about marriage? What about your children? He alone knows the plans for all this. His desire is that we seek Him with our whole heart as He works in our lives.

Let Jesus guide your steps as you seek His will for your life in 2024. This may just be the best year of your life!



CHURCH OFFERING GOAL:
\$16,500.00
Final Received: \$11,346.87

The Purpose of First Baptist Church Georgetown is to Glorify Jesus Christ by Impacting the World through Missions, Spirit-filled Worship and Biblical Teaching in a Loving, Caring, United Fellowship.



Well, it's a new year! 2024, have you gotten used to that yet? What comes to mind when you think of 2024? Some people make resolutions—lose weight, read the Bible more faithfully, be more involved at church, or be more successful in business.

I want to focus your attention on God. When you think about God, what comes to mind? A. W. Tozer said, **“What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us.”** As I start the New Year I am thinking about the fact that God is good. There is not much we can be certain about in the New Year—will we lose weight, gain weight, have success in business? One thing that you can be absolutely sure about is that God is good, all the time!

I want to direct you to one verse. Psalm 100:5 *For the Lord is good; His lovingkindness is everlasting And His faithfulness to all generations.*

This is part of a familiar Psalm, but focus on this verse—the Lord is good. Do you believe that? It is true! I want to encourage you to approach this year, and live this year with that truth in mind. **The word good means—righteous, excellent, proper, kind, honorable, worthy.** God is all that and more. As we have already studied in James, every good and perfect gift comes from God. Can we all agree that if it is from God, it is good?

The two other truths about God in verse 5 is that His lovingkindness is everlasting. It is eternal and part of the covenant relationship. It lasts forever! And His faithfulness is to all generations. His trustworthiness extends throughout the ages.

You see, it is true, God is good. This was David's conviction and declaration. Keep in mind, David's life wasn't always a bed of roses. Yet even when David wasn't good, God was good and David could rest in that fact. Dwell on these truths from verse 5 this year. Remind yourself regularly—God is good!



December is a busy season for so many of us. Thank you to EVERYONE who stepped up to the plate and helped out with our Singing Christmas Tree. You may not have sung the song "I Speak Jesus" but your behind the scenes work "Spoke Jesus" very loudly to our church family and our community. Please continue to pray for decisions that were made and seeds that were planted. May God be Glorified.

I also, want to say Thank You for remembering Anthony and myself with the gifts you gave. We are truly blessed and grateful for each of you. We are Thankful for this church family and to be able to worship with you each week. Finally, a special thanks to Bob Willey for writing all of the Advent readings. His church history knowledge is second to none!!

Please continue to remember to pray for the Music Ministry as we lead each week in worship. Happy New Year!!! Singing for Him, Jan Fort



Never Again!

Throughout our lifetimes we have witnessed many strange, interesting, spectacular, and amazing events. Whether in our solar system like the first total solar eclipse of 2017 visible in the US in over 4 decades, or movement of planets such as happened in 2022 when the Moon, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, and Saturn were all aligned in our night sky. That won't happen again until 2040. Some “first-time sporting events also occurred like the world's longest javelin throw (104.80m or 343 feet!), the Chiefs winning the Super Bowl in 2020, their first in 50 years. In 2004 the world saw the first ever photos of Saturn's moon, Titan. National Geographic Cartographers released photos of a newly discovered body of water within Antarctica called the Southern Ocean, now the fifth ocean in the World.

These are some amazing events we have witnessed. Another such event will occur this year that will never again occur: December 31, 2023 – 123123! What a special thing to tell your children that you were married on 123123, or if you happen to be born on 123123! Like all “firsts,” few experience them, but we can all marvel over first-time facts and events.

The most important first-time event in all the world took place some 2000 years ago on a hill called Mt. Calvary (Golgotha). Jesus died for the sins of the whole world, “Once for All” (Hebrews 10:10). Why? So that we could be restored to a right relationship with our Heavenly Father. The death of God's Only Son was the only way to save us from our sins.

This is a one-time event. There is no need for Christ to die again. His death and resurrection stand for all eternity as the only way to salvation. If you have never trusted Christ as Savior, you can be saved today, making it a first (and only) time event. Admit you are a sinner, Believe Christ died for you, Confess Him as Lord of your life, and live for Him now, and eternally (1 Corinthians 15:1 – 4). Not trusting Christ today may mean you never again have opportunity. Don't delay, trust Christ today. Today is the Day of Salvation (Hebrews 3:15).

If you know Jesus and are saved, why not take a moment to thank Him for saving you once, for all eternity. Blessings, Keith



**SUNDAY NIGHTS FROM
5:00—6:30 PM**



**SAVE
THE
DATES:
VBS**

JUNE 2—6



FCA Basketball

**See Matt Moore for Details!
Games begin this February**



2024! This is the beginning of an epic year! But let's begin with January! The Big Weekend! We will be joining 5 other churches at Camp Longridge. This is going to be epic. Food yes! Worship Yes! Fellowship yes! Sign up now, the last available date to sign up is Sunday Jan 7. 2024 the cost per person is 135 leave at 430 pm on Friday Jan. 26 and will return on Sunday Jan. 28 @ 200pm. Final Payment due Jan 10, 2024. This year's theme is Community. Converge! February 2-4 for Juniors and seniors and college students this weekend has limited room because of the housing. Please see me asap if interested.



Mission 2535 mission team will be having some fundraisers to help in the funding of our trip to Dominican Republic. Our team consists of Jack and Kim Powers, Stacy Sipes, Johnny Anderson, Anna Dunn, Ava Dunn, Baily Camlin, Makayla Miller, Quin Long, Carson Sipes, Derrick Malina, Branton Cuifetti, Trip Adams, Addison Sole, and Braylin Radcliffe. I just want to be transparent cost to go to the DR is 1800 per person. We have raised so far to day 5245.05. We have a long way to go. So be on the lookout for fundraisers for this mission and camp.



Speaking of camp! July the 14 -19. We will be going back to Camp Longridge. Our speaker will be Jordan Nates and the Justin Putnam band will be back. You don't want to miss this Year! Who will top the three-year champion Trip Adams. Who will beat the adult relay team this year? Sign ups begin in two weeks.

Sunday night discipleship will begin Jan. 7, 2024. As we continue Genesis. Come join us for some crazy questions and application to understanding God's word. If you would like to help in providing a meal for some 15 students that want to grow deeper this would be great time for a SS class to provide. Please see Colby Moore or Kim Powers to get signed up. The great Theologian ROBERT SHAW said, “it's easier to steer a ship when it is Moving” John and Peter said to the Lame man “In the name of Jesus rise up and walk.” FBC Students it is time to RISE UP and get Movin! Love ya mean it. Jack

Weekend Of Encouragement Marriage Retreat

**February 16—17
Double Tree Resort ~ Myrtle Beach, SC**

To Register for Conference: Weekendofencouragement.com

\$129.00 Per Couple through Dec. 31 \$149.00 after.

**Hotel Rooms from \$109.00 per night ~ 843-315-7100 for reservations
Please see Keith or Lori for further details**