



# First Baptist Church West Columbia

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## Trunk or Treat

Each year, parents look for safe and fun things for their children to do for Halloween. We know that Halloween is not a Christian holiday, but it has become a national phenomenon.

We believe our church can come together and provide something fun and safe this night. Our Trunk or Treat event will be

**Friday, October 31 from 5:30 pm-7:30 pm**

on the church grounds. This is not just for our kids, but it will serve as an outreach to our neighbors.

**What we have already:** balloon animals, face painting, clowns, games, hot dogs and chili

**What we need:** folks to sign up and host trunks (cars), a hay ride, drinks and cups, baked goods, but most of all YOU. Our members need to come and simply mingle in the crowd and meet new people. Remember, to those who don't know Jesus yet, we are the only reflection of Him they can see!

Contact Jody Ratcliffe to sign up!

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#### Sunday

9:30 am Library open  
9:45 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Morning Worship  
5:30 pm Library open  
6:00 pm Evening Worship

#### Wednesday

4:30 pm Piece Makers  
5:30 pm Supper Line opens  
6:00 pm Library open  
LIGHTHOUSE  
Children's Choirs  
6:30 pm Prayer Meeting  
6:45 pm RA's, GA's,  
Mission Friends  
7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir



## Reminder to our Deacons

Deacon Training and Equipping Seminar  
Led by Rev. Lonnie Shull  
Sunday, October 12 3:30pm  
Church Conference Room  
Regular Meeting at 5pm



The subject of finances and money has been before us on every news station that we watch. We have seen the stable world of Wall Street quickly come apart and the ripples have been felt by every household; it has been stated that the recent 'bailout' bill will cost every household in America \$17,000. That's a lot of money to pay for mistakes and greed. Where are we going to get an extra \$17,000 dollars? How will this financial crunch impact West Columbia First Baptist Church? How will this financial crunch impact every individual tither and giver within our church? Will we be tempted to be fearful and keep our tithes for personal usage? Will we move the Lord's work and church down the list of priorities? Will the secular world of greed win over the spiritual world of sharing? This might be the largest test of faith that we face in some while. It will take a new and deep commitment to be faithful in difficult times. Our church is entering into the last few months of this church year and we need to do some catching up in our stewardship. We are behind in our budget, a large number of folks do not support the church and now, with this added distraction, is the time for the bold and faithful to step forward with a 'leap of faith'. If we trust in God, now is the time to demonstrate that trust.

To God be the Glory  
 Don Bishop, Interim Pastor

**Sunday, October 12**  
 11:00 a.m.  
 Jonah Repents  
 Jonah 1:17 - 2:10

6:00 p.m.  
 The Lord's Prayer

**Janie Chapman Offering  
 for State Missions**  
 State Goal: \$2 million  
 FBC Goal: \$3,000  
 Rec'd to date: \$2695.80  
 This offering will remain open  
 through the end of October.



**REMEMBER TO PLAN FOR THESE TRIPS COMING UP!**

Asheville, NC Folk Arts Center,  
 Farmers Market, Apples  
 Tuesday, October 28  
 Cost: \$35

Deadline to sign up is Sunday, October 12.

Charleston Christmas Show  
 Dinner at R.B.'s Seafood  
 Friday, December 12  
 Cost: \$98

The cost includes transportation, ticket to the show and dinner. Please see me for a list of menu choices.

**DEADLINE FOR DEPOSIT!!**

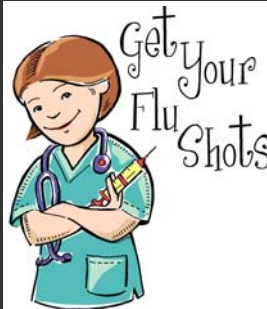
A \$50 deposit is due by Thursday, October 16.  
 This is necessary so tickets can be ordered and reservations made.



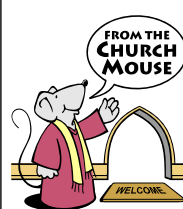
Thursday, October 16 11 a.m.  
 Speaker: Russ Bell  
 Director of Finlay House

**SOME EARLY CHRISTMAS SHOPPING!** I have copies of the newest CD by the SC Baptist Singing Churchmen titled "Alleluia". Cost is \$15. We will be in concert on Monday, November 10 at Beulah Baptist Church in Hopkins. Plan to come hear us!

*Charlton*



**MONDAY, OCTOBER 27**  
 8:30 - 11:00 A.M.  
 First Baptist Church  
 Free with Medicare  
 \$30 for all others  
 Recommended for  
 ages 9 and up  
 No appointment necessary



**CONGRATULATIONS** to Dale Bishop who took First Place in Amateur Sculpture at the 2008 State Fair!  
**Mr. Rodney Summers** celebrated his 97th birthday on Sunday, October 5. He is our oldest member. Happy Birthday, Rodney!



It is a real joy to serve on staff once again at First Baptist West Columbia. Not a day goes by that I miss calling it a miracle and actually feel the Lord's hand on the church and my family's life. You are a wonderful church and you are becoming daily

what God wants you to be. I see joy increasing, members who are fellowshiping more, and folks showing renewed commitment to the church. Let's continue to "put our hands to this good work" and never, ever lose sight that we are called to advance the kingdom.

Our Discipleship Training Semester got off to a great start this week. These classes are OPEN classes and can be joined at any time. No cost is involved in any of them. Our Marriage Enrichment study had 6 couples represented. Our Children's Class had 8 students. Our Youth Class had 4. A great start, but we are praying that these classes increase in number simply because the content is so valuable.

**Singles and College Students**

Just a reminder: We have a group for you! Each Sunday morning come and enjoy a hot breakfast with us (no cost!) in Burriss Hall and stay for our Student Discussion Group at 9:45am. Meet others like you and enjoy God's word together.



**Lighthouse Student Ministries**  
Building Teens' Spiritual Foundation

I want to encourage all of our teenagers to branch out in the church and get to know some of our senior adults. Stop by and speak a minute. Help them climb the stairs or carry their books. As a teenager, I fell more and more in love with my church with the more people I got to know. Always introduce yourself to new people and extend a hand and you will see your life change as well.

**Bible Navigators** got off to a great start this week. My thanks to Joyce Gunter and William Fallaw for leading in this effort to see our teens grounded in the Word of God. The things they learned this week were amazing! This class will meet each Sunday evening at 6pm in the High School Sunday School classroom and is for students Grade 6-Grade 12.

**Sign Ups Going On NOW!**

Teens, be sure to get your name on the roster for our upcoming **Judgment House** trip and our annual **Halloween Costume Contest**. A Parent/Guardian letter went out last week with all the information. Parents and Guardians, please don't hesitate to call me or come by for any reason. I want to be a valuable resource of information and encouragement for you and your family. Next S.N.A.C is November 2!

**FROM THE PASTOR SEARCH TEAM**

The Pastor Search Team requests your assistance as we seek to identify the man God has chosen to be our next Senior Pastor. Please ask any prospective candidates to apply by mailing their resume by October 31, 2008 to:

Pastor Search Team  
P. O. Box 2295  
West Columbia, SC 29171

The Pastor Search Team would like to thank the Transition Team; Task Teams; and the congregation for their hard work and participation in establishing our congregation's identity. The reports, surveys and comments are valuable information for our Team as we seek to identify the leader God has chosen to minister to our church and community. We ask that you all continue to pray daily for each member of our Team.

*In Loving Memory*  
**Naomi Snyder**  
*June 21, 1925 - October 6, 2008*



The First Baptist Church Family and Staff extend Christian love and deepest sympathy to...

...the family of Naomi Snyder

...the family of Ashby Lloyd

...Lori and John Loftis in the loss of her grandmother, Mrs. Evelyn Ouzts

**MEMORIALS**

**For Such A Time As This**  
In Memory of Roy Faulk  
given by the In Home Ministry

**Janie Chapman State Missions**  
In loving memory of Roy Faulk  
given by Mrs. Joyce Crider



**PASTOR SEARCH TEAM**

**PRAY DAILY FOR OUR PASTOR SEARCH TEAM**

Bobby Horton, Chairman  
Allan Murray, vice-chair  
Debra Gaulden, sec.  
Clyde Blackburn Billy Hayes  
Amelia Schafer Greg Shepherd

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE**

**October 12 - 18, 2008**

Sunday, October 12

- 9:00 a.m. College/Singles Breakfast
- 9:30 to 9:45 a.m. B P Screening
- 9:30 a.m. Library Open
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- Church Orientation Class
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
- 3:30 p.m. Deacon Training
- 4:00 p.m. Youth Handbells
- Finance Committee
- 5:00 p.m. Regular Deacons Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Monday, October 13

- 6:30 p.m. Pastor Search Team

Tuesday October 14

- 8:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Time
- 9:00 a.m. Life Exercise
- 10:00 a.m. Gertrude Ross Group
- 7:00 p.m. Josephine Hair Group

Wednesday, October 15

- 4:30 p.m. Piece Makers
- 5:00 p.m. Children's Handbells
- 5:30 p.m. Supper Line Opens
- Library opens
- 6:00 p.m. Children's Choirs
- LIGHTHOUSE**
- 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting
- Church Conference

- 6:45 p.m. RA's, GA's, Mission Friends

- 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, October 16

- 9:00 a.m. Life Exercise
- 11:00 a.m. Best Yet to Come

**SPECIAL MINISTRIES**

**October 12, 2008**

**HEALTH MINISTRY**

Margie Hazel

**EXT. TEACHING CARE**

Coordinator: Sallie Bozard

**11:00 a.m. Worship**

*Babies and Ones*

Nick and Jill Zueger

*Twos and Threes*

Larry and anne Brown

**SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETERS**

**Snyder Building**

Ann and Mike Jeffcoat

**Burriss Building**

Gerry Berry and Vivian Summer

**Front Lower Level**

Jack & Virginia Hill

**SOUND**

Rich Wandover

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 DO NOT  
 DELAY!**



Pray for These  
 Hospitalized  
 Members:

As of Tuesday,  
 October 7, 2008

**Lexington Medical Cent.**

Mary Branham



The church office is open Monday - Thursday from 8:30 am-4:30 pm and on Friday from 8:30 am - 1:00 pm. The financial secretary is available from 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday and Friday from 8:30 a.m.—1 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER**

Served from 5:30-6:00 p.m. in Burriss Hall  
 Deadline for reservations and cancellations is noon Monday.



**October 15**

- BBQ Chicken
- Hash & Rice
- Slaw
- Rolls and Dessert

Adults (10 & Up) \$5.00      Children (5-9) \$3.00  
 Children 4 & under FREE

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Adults \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Children (5-9) \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Preschoolers (under 4) \_\_\_\_\_

Make this a permanent reservation \_\_\_\_\_

**Pray every day for our church!**