



Florence Baptist Church News

We give Thanks!

Thank You, Lord!

We give thanks to You, Lord, with a grateful heart

May we always proclaim How Great Thou Art.

We stop to appreciate how we are blessed

May we experience fullness of life and peaceful rest.

Thank you, Lord, for faith, hope, and love

And precious grace that comes from above.

Thank you for freedom and family and friends

May the ties that bind us know no end.

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Dates to Remember
November
Nov. 14 Dedication of the Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes during Morning Worship
Nov. 16 Ladies Outreach 10 a.m. P & P & Cemetery Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m.
November 17 Thanksgiving Meal at 6:00 followed by Bible Study Business Meeting 7:45 p.m.
Nov. 24 Youth—Friendsgiving
Nov. 25 THANKSGIVING Day
Nov. 28 Advent begins
Nov. 29 Budget & Finance Mtg. 6:30 pm
December
Dec. 3 Hanging of the Greens 6 p.m.
Dec. 6 Budget & Finance Mtg. 6:30 pm
Dec. 12 Deacon Fellowship 5:30 p.m.
Dec. 13 Deacons Meeting 6:30 p.m.
Dec. 14 Ladies Outreach 10 a.m.
Dec. 15 Family Night Supper 6 p.m. followed by Bible Study Business Meeting 7:45 p.m.
Dec. 17 Youth Christmas Party 6 p.m.
Dec. 19 Christmas Program 6 p.m. followed by finger food fellowship
December 20 Christmas Caroling Meet at the church at 6:15 p.m.

Plan to join us for our annual Thanksgiving meal on Wednesday, November 17th at 6 p.m. Please bring side dishes, dessert, or drinks.. The turkey and ham will be provided. This meal will take the place of our regular Family Night Supper for November. We will still have Bible study and the regular business meeting.




December 25 Christmas Day!


From the Ladies Outreach:

The Ladies Outreach meeting in December will be our annual Christmas lunch. It is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, December 14 at 10 a.m. It will be held at the parsonage this year. We may be able to arrange transportation from the Family Life Center to the parsonage. Members are asked to bring a \$5 to \$10 gift to be exchanged during the meeting.



We have received a total of 43 shoeboxes for the Operation Christmas Child project. Thanks to everyone who prepared boxes to help these 43 children receive a gift at Christmas, along with a gospel message inserted by Samaritan's Purse.



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The church staff will be hosting this event at the parsonage on Sunday, December 12th. All past and present deacons are invited, along with their families. The event includes dinner and time for some fun and fellowship. Please bring a \$5 gift for an exchange.

Fall Festival

If you missed the Fall Festival, you missed a good time! Special thanks to Carrie and all those who helped and those who provided candy, other treats, and cakes for the cake walk. Special thanks also to those who decorated trunks, sponsored games, and gave out treats.





Hanging of the Greens!

Volunteers are needed to help decorate the sanctuary for Christmas! Our annual “Hanging of the greens” will be held on Friday, December 3, at 6 p.m. Come join us if you would like to help! Information about poinsettias for the Christmas season will be announced in the next few weeks.



Christmas Program



This year’s Christmas program will include the children, youth, and adults. The program will be presented on Sunday, December 19th at 6 p.m. We will have a finger-food fellowship following the program. Please plan to attend and invite family and friends to come.

December’s Family Night Supper

Christmas Caroling

The Family Night Supper in December will be on December 15th. The menu will be Italian! We ask everyone to bring a dish, salad, bread, condiments, anything that will go with an Italian meal. Of course, desserts are always welcome! Tea, also!

The entire church family is invited to participate in an evening of Christmas caroling on Monday, December 20th. We will leave the church at 6:00 and visit several of the shut-ins and senior adults in the area.



Winter Coat Drive

The Lodge in Pelion is having a coat drive. We will be collecting gently used coats for both children and adults. All sizes are welcome. The box will be available in the church foyer through Sunday, November 28th.



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Your generosity directly supports missionaries:

- \$10 Provides one month of missionary language training.
- \$100 Provides supplies for a missionary to serve in a refugee camp for a month.
- \$300 Provides a one year license renewal for a missionary doctor.
- \$2500 Provides one year of homeschool curriculum for missionary kids.

100% of your gifts go directly to the missionaries on the field!

Together we transform lives!

Our church goal for this year is \$1500.