



# STEEPLE VIEWS

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Current

## Community Needs

### Wingate University Students

Wingate Baptist Church has asked our congregation to partner with them in providing “care” packages for the 45 or so students (mostly international) still living on campus. Donations can include snacks, goodies, cookies, and/or gift cards (McDonald’s, Burger King, or Food Lion). You can also donate money and these items will be purchased (make checks payable to First Baptist Church). Please drop these items by the church office within the next week.

As always, thank you for ... **“Loving Beyond”!**

### FBC Leadership Team

Meets Thursday, June 11, 6:30 p.m.  
Family Life Center

### Quilting Retreat

Friday and Saturday, June 12 and 13  
9:30 a.m. - Family Life Center  
Social distancing will be practiced!  
For more information, contact Kiki Myers



The Board of Trustees have approved the purchase of equipment that will give First Baptist the ability to livestream all worship services, even after restrictions on public gatherings are lifted. Cost will be between \$3,000 and \$4,000. If you would like to contribute to the purchase of equipment, please make a check payable to First Baptist and drop it by or mail it to the church office and mark it “Live Stream Equipment.” Because of COVID-19, equipment may not be available until the end of July.



### June 7 Livestreaming Worship

Opening Music	Beth Adams
Words of Welcome	Dr. Dawson
Call to Worship	TBD
Introduction of Graduates	Rev. Owens
Commissioning & Affirmation of Graduate	
Worship through Music	Beth Adams
Reading of the Psalm: Psalm 8	TBD
Prayer for the People	
Lord’s Prayer	
Sharing our Story	
Special Music	Beth Adams
Sermon Text: II Corinthians 13:11-13	Dr. Dawson
Words of Encouragement	Dr. Dawson
Prayer	Dr. Dawson
The Stewardship of Tithing	Dr. Dawson
Benediction	Dr. Dawson



Our FBC kids experienced Pentecost in a fun way last week. They were delivered Pentecost celebration “bags” with Pentecost info, devotion, and themed activities to celebrate the day of Pentecost, the church’s birthday!



## The Worship of God

Sunday, June 7, 11:00 a.m.

Worship via Facebook

### Worship Leaders

*Dr. Chris Dawson, Rev. Josh Owens  
Beth Adams*

## Prayer Concerns

Katherine Cox - Ken Murray - Joy Shute - Al Kessel  
Cathy Thompson - Pat Herrell - Mike Pell  
Anne Ashcraft, daughter of Doris Ramsey  
Shari Sierk, daughter of Neal and Susie Hinson  
Kevin Casner, son of Ray and Gerry Casner  
Church leadership as they preparing for 2020-2021  
All those affected by Covid-19

## Nominating Committee ...

The Nominating Committee has begun their work of preparing a slate of officers for 2020-2021 for church approval. If there is someone you would like to suggest for a particular position, please contact one of the committee members: Lisa Davis, Jim Griffin, Max Penegar, Carol Tyson, Tom Coffey, Tim McBride, Kiki Myers, Dr. Dawson, or Rev. Owens.

Please keep the committee in prayer as they enlist leaders for church approval.

## Thank You ...

First Baptist Family:

From the first time we stepped foot in Monroe First Baptist Church, you became our loving, supportive family. You continued to be that when we moved to South Carolina. Thank you for your prayers, your cards, your phone calls, and the memorials made in memory of Bob. God's amazing grace has been our constant companion, continues to sustain us and meets our every need day by day. We ask for your continued prayers as we continue to pray for you.

We love each one of you!

— Cathy Thompson,  
Christine Dove, and family

## May Memorials ...

First Baptist gratefully acknowledges the following memorials received in May:

By Dr. and Mrs. Ken Murray in memory of Bob Thompson. By Sheila London, the Boggs Family, Jane Austin, Barbara Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Goodwin, and Dr. and Mrs. Lane Ormand in memory of Mary Lou Gamble. By Mr. and Mrs. Larry Tuggle in memory of their father and uncle who fought in World War II, Blake Mahoney, and Dr. Gail Latham. By Mr. and Mrs. Ken Handy in memory of Carlton Tyson, Angie Baskins, and Mary Lou Gamble. By Carol Tyson in memory of Mary Lou Gamble, Ken Kiser, Junie Tuggle, Bob Thompson, and Tommy Nash. By Katherine Cox in memory of Mary Lou Gamble and Bob Thompson.

By Nancy Thomas in honor of Michelle Dawson. By Mr. and Mrs. Tony Lilley in honor of Kiki Myers, Carol Findley, and John and Pat McMullen. By Mr. and Mrs. Larry Tuggle in honor of Ernie Hinson. By Barbara Austin in honor of John and Pat McMullen.

## Facts & Figures:

### Sunday, May 31, 2020

Weekly Budget Requirements .....	\$ 8,040
Budget Receipts .....	\$ 7,524
Budget Receipts to Date .....	\$ 291,366
Expenses to Date .....	\$ 281,044



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**Vision Statement:** "First Baptist Church Monroe exists to Love God, Love Within, and Love Beyond"