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Fire Safety Class

October 15 | 5:15 PM | Reservations Required Please plan to join us for dinner and our Fire Safety Class hosted by our Health Committee. We will discuss fire escape plans and other important information. During the meal we will review for children and children's volunteers who were not present.



Worshiping Together

October 19, 2025 11:00 AM Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

A Lion's Den Faith Daniel 6:10-27

Dr. Dennis N. Bazemore

In Sympathy



We offer our sympathy to the family of FBCA member, Janice Wiggins Morris, who passed away on Wednesday, October 8, 2025. A celebration of life service will be held

on Thursday, October 16, 2025, at 1:00 PM at FBCA. The family will receive friends immediately after the service at a reception in the fellowship hall.

Memorial donations may be made directly to the First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 649, Ahoskie, North Carolina 27910 or directly to ECU Health - Home Health & Hospice, 1005 WH Smith Blvd, Greenville, NC 27834.

We offer our sympathy to the family of FBCA member, Debbie Rawls, who passed away on October 13, 2025. A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, October 18, 2025 at FBCA at 2:00 PM. The family will be receiving friends at the home of Sherri and Stephen Burgess immediately following the service.

Memorial donations be made directly to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or directly to Riley's Army, P.O. Box 720, Winterville, NC 28590.

Fire Safety Scavenger Hunt

Congratulations to the Young Adult Sunday School class who won the scavenger hunt. They only missed one fire extinguisher. Your prize is forthcoming.

FBC Youth Schedule Fall 2025

October 19: Bible Study

Bring a friend, enjoy lunch and youth group.

October 24-26: Youth Retreat & Trunk Or Treat

Participate in the youth retreat at Caswell & host a trunk at Trunk or Treat.

November 2: Bible Study

Bring a friend, enjoy lunch and youth group.

November 9: Bible Study

Bring a friend, enjoy lunch and youth group.

November 16: Mission Project

Come participate in a mission project.

November 23 **Youth-Giving**

Join us for our Thanksgiving & Christmas Party!

Gathering Place Donations Needed

If you have gently used coats, jackets, warm hats or gloves that you can donate to us at The Gathering Place. This can be for women, men, and children. You can drop them off at The Gathering Place Ahoskie between 9:30 AM to 12 PM. We will also pick them up if you call Pat Byrd at (252) 209-4301. Thank you and God Bless you.

Women's Bible Study 10:30 AM October 23 November 6 & 20

Join Us for Chairo Sundays at 2:00 PM | Grade 5 - Still Breathing

Upcoming Meetings

Finance Monday, October, 20, 2025 | 6:00 PM

Building & Grounds Meeting Monday, October 20, 2025 | 7:00 PM

Deacons' Meeting Tuesday, October 21, 2025 | 7:00 PM

Trunk or Treat Sunday, October 26, 2025

Bring the kids in costume and enjoy a familyfriendly night of treats and fun! We're still in need of 4 trunks, so if you'd like to decorate your car and hand out candy, please contact Sarah Grace Britton at (252) 287-9858. We'd love to have you join the fun!

5:00-5:30 PM **Trunk Set-Up** 5:30–6:00 PM Trunk or Treating 5:00–6:00 PM **Hotdogs**

2026 Deacon Nominations

Please prayerfully consider who would serve our church well as a deacon for three years beginning January 2026. Voting will take place on October 19. Absentee ballots will be available in the church office beginning October 13 through October 16.



Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

It is time to prepare for this year's Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. Our church goal this year is to complete 150 boxes! Let's help share God's Love through a gift-filled box, bringing hope to a child in need. Due to customs requirements, soap and toothpaste is no longer permitted. If you have any questions, please contact Melanie Byrum, OCC Coordinator for FBC Ahoskie, at (252) 209-7744.

Stewardship Statement

October 12, 2025

Weekly Need	\$ 10,096.71
Weekly Offering	\$ 5,668.57
Difference	\$ -4,428.14
YTD Needs	\$ 413,965.11
YTD Offerings	\$ 353,532.99
September Online Giving	\$ 3,380.00
YTD Difference	\$ -57,052.12
Benevolence	\$ 350.00

Thank you for your generous gifts!

November 2025

First Baptist Church of Ahoskie

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
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2 All Saints' Day Day Light Saving Time Ends	3	4 •10:00 AM WMU Groups 2 & 4	5 •10:30 AM Ahoskie Garden Club •4:00 PM Jr. Garden	6 •10:30 AM Women's Bible Study	7	8	
9	10	Church Offices Closed Veterans Day	12	13	14	15	
16	•6:00 PM Finance •7:00 PM Building & Grounds Mtg	18 •7:00 PM Deacons' Mtg	•12:00 AM Ahoskie Woman's Club	•10:30 AM Women's Bible Study	21	22	
Operation Christmas Child Collection at FBCA November 16-23							
23	24	25	26	The same of the sa	28 hanksgiving Closed	29	
•9:45 AM Sunday •11:00 AM Worshi •12:00-2:00 PM Youth Group Meal •2:00 PM Chairo	School p	Adul	dren's Music & N t & Youth Bible nesday Night M	Study	•9:00 AM - 3:00 Christian Wo Corps (CWJC The Gatherin) PM omen's Job ()	

November Birthdays

- 1 Lane Slachta
- 2 Barbara Roberson
- 3 Gary Morris
- 5 Carol Paul
- 6 Alex Britton
- 6 Susan Keel

- 7 Virginia Minton 7 Jim Wiggins
- 10 Brandon Zoch
- 11 Jim Messer
- 11 Mary Ann Umphlett
- 12 Ann Carter Barnes
- 13 Sylvia Britt
 - 13 Bryant Cooke
 - 16 Bryant Brinkley

 - 19 Scott Outlaw
 - 20 Judy H. Pierce
 - 21 Sandra Evans

27 Carl Pierce 28 Margaret Winn 29 Winnie Matthews

If we have neglected to acknowledge a birthday, please let us know by calling the church office.

SERVING IN THE LOVE OF CHRIST

Week of October 19 - 25, 2025

Minister on Call

Dr. Dennis Bazemore, (910) 890-2940 dnbazemore@gmail.com

Deacons on Call

Josh Brinkley, 287-7776 Betty Joyner, 398-6104

Childcare During Worship - October 19

Crib: Bill & Debbie Magette Ages 1 & 2: Pat Daniels & Roxie Thompson Pre-K & K: Will & Ashlyn Blanchard

Ushers - October 19

J. C. Doughtie, Tim Frei, Bennett Pierce, Henry Pierce, Frank Rose, Walter White; Balcony: Andy Woodard

Sound System Operator - October 19

Walt Pierce

Security Monitor - October 19

Brent Pierce

Floral Offering - October 19

Magette Family

Home Delivered Meals - October 20

Susan Earley & Lynell Eure

Food Pantry - October 24

Carolyn Arrington, Noreen Hannon & Margaret Winn

Week of October 26 - November 1, 2025

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Deacons on Call

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Childcare During Worship - October 26

Crib: Anna Dawson & Kari Pierce Ages 1 & 2: Debbie Greene, Sarah & Olivia Jenkins Pre-K & K: Michelle Boyd & Henry Pierce

Ushers - October 26

Lee Byrum, Duck Harrell, Dempsey Pierce, Stuart Pierce, Nat Riddick, Eley Whitehead; Balcony: Walt Pierce

Sound System Operator - October 26

Frank Britt

Security Monitor - October 26

Rick Burns

Floral Offering - October 26

Frank & Penny Rose

Home Delivered Meals - October 27

Austine Evans & Mary Ann Umphlett

Food Pantry - October 31

Carolyn Arrington & Vicky Overman