

# the beat

Hoffmeyer Road Baptist Church

November 21, 2019



## In-Gathering for International Missions

Sunday, December 1, 2019

HRBC Goal: \$3,000

## **The SWATT Team is ordering poinsettias for Christmas. \$10**

If you would like to order a poinsettia in honor / memory of someone, you must place your order by December 8. Look for the order form in the bulletin this week. Flowers will be available on December 22.



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## Hanging of the Greens Service

Sunday, December 1, 2019

6:00 pm.

AWANA will meet at 5:30.

If you are participating in the *Hanging of the Greens* service, such as hanging a wreath, lighting a candle, etc, **please be in the worship center by 5:00 pm, to meet with Pastor Greg, for instructions.**



## Advent Wreath Schedule

Dec. 1—John and Shelly Flud	6:00 pm
Dec. 8—Les and Amie Cox	10:30 am
Dec. 15 —Matt and Lindsey Corbin	10:30 am
Dec. 22—Dale and Judy Porter	10:30 am
Dec. 22—Randy and Susan Saleeby	6:00 pm

Next years new tithing envelopes will be ready for pick-up on December 8, near the foyer area. If you do not find yours at that time, call the office @ 843-669-3051.

**HRBC**  
Gather. Grow. Go.

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## FROM THE Pastor's DESK

I am very thankful for the leadership of HRBC. This weekend, our elders, deacons and ministerial staff are going on a leadership retreat. This annual retreat is a great time for the deacons to bond. It also gives them an opportunity to begin thinking through the ministries of the upcoming year. This year, the Lord laid upon my heart the topic of personal worship. We will spend much of our time at the retreat focusing on individual worship. Please pray for us as we desire to seek the Lord and hear from Him.



"Three times in a year shall all your males appear before the LORD God, the God of Israel. For I will cast out nations before you and enlarge your borders; no one shall covet your land, when you go up to appear before the LORD you God three times in a year." (Exodus 34:23-24) This is very similar to what we plan on doing at the retreat.

As 2019 winds down, a few of our deacons will roll off. Scott Moore, Randy Saleeby, and Jay Rogers have served well for the last 3 years. In 2020, Ervin Flowers will begin a 2 year term as the deacon of Women's Ministry. Larry Welch, Matt Cramer, and Kenneth Russell will begin 3 year terms. We have ordination service planned for January 19<sup>th</sup>.

I am thankful to be your pastor.

*Greg*

## FROM WORSHIP & OUTREACH MINISTRIES

Have you ever said something like the following: "My sin is not as major as this other person's sin? I've never killed anybody, I've never committed adultery, I've never gotten drunk." In his letter to the Jewish believers in persecution, James clearly spells out in chapter two that sin is sin. There are no levels of sin in the eyes of God. In our human world, we may experience different consequences, but James makes it clear that in the eyes of God, sin is the same...sin is sin. What is interesting is that James nails many churches to the floor with two words: "Personal Favoritism". I submit that the reason the church as a whole is in decline today is that the church is full of factions, groups, and people who associate with only people like themselves. We are quick to navigate to people who are "easy to love" because they act like us, look like us, talk like us, and think the way we do. We attempt to associate with people who we can get something out of, but James makes it clear that if we are going to be the people God has called us to be, we must love our neighbor as ourselves. We are to set aside our personal favoritism in order that the gospel might be clearly seen. This is not easy, but it is what God is calling us to do. Lord, may you help us to set our personal favoritism aside for the glory of Christ that you might use us for your glory!



*Justin*

## FROM HRBC FAMILY MINISTRIES

"But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen." ~2 Peter 3:16. An old Good News Club lesson taught this verse and included this truth: As your kids grow, God wants them to know more about Jesus. When they know more about Jesus, their faith in Him will grow, and they can trust him to be their leader. When you depend on God and his grace, God will help you and your kids to grow and be more like Jesus. Why do this? Because all the glory for our lives goes to God.



This simple truth that we teach the kids is simple, but it's also simply forgotten. With the holiday season coming, we will be so busy that we could forget the reason for the season, Jesus. As you travel, have your kids fill out a Christian coloring devotion book. We provide some at our parent partner table. There is also a devotion packet called Car Talk at our parent partner table. As important as it is for your kids to learn the lines to their Thanksgiving play, study for their mid-terms or finals, and participate in Winter Sports, do not forget the most important thing they can do is grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Blessings,

*George*

# This Week:

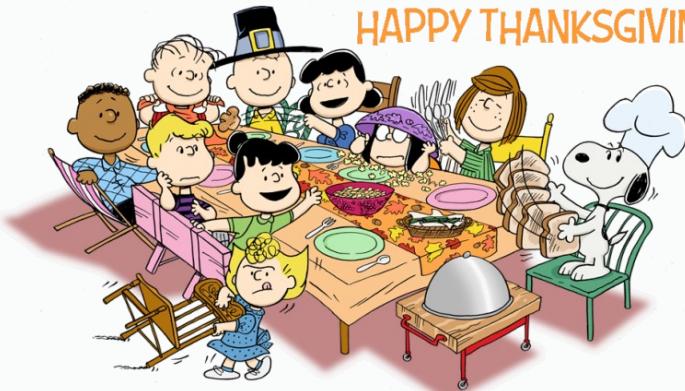
## Sunday, November 24 2019

Sunday School	9:15 am
Morning Worship	10:30 am
Children's Choirs	4:30 pm
American Sign Lang. class	4:30 pm
<i>Children are welcome</i>	
AWANA	5:30 pm
Adult Choir Rehearsal	5:30 pm

## Wednesday

*There will be no Wednesday evening activities on November 27, in observance of Thanksgiving.*

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**



## Sunday Report, November 17, 2019

### Attendance:

Sunday School	183
AM Worship	260
Giving	\$ 13,092.30
Weekly Goal	\$ 13,556.65
Building Loan Balance	\$ 133,702.63

## Children's Workers

	Nov. 24	Dec. 1
Nursery	Wells	Yvonne Rhodes
AM & PM	Family	Maria Pope
		Martha Barwick
Preschool	Bobby & Gloria	Williams
AM	Cable	Family
Ch. Ch.	Lois Ann	Rogers
Teacher	Tolson	Family
Ch. Ch.	Aly Porter	Rogers
Volunteer	Claire Falco	Family



### Worship Center Prep Team

Nov.—Carolanne Wells Dec.—Glenn Bright

### Worship Bag Prep Team

Nov.—Joyce Leftridge Dec. —Ken & Sue Nissley



**Everyone join in for  
Church-wide Christmas  
caroling on Wednesday,  
December 18, at  
6:30pm. Meet in the  
fellowship hall.**

## Youth Ski Trip

**February 7-9, 2020**

**\$50 Deposit due by  
December 8, 2019.**



**Sign up online @ [www.hrbcflorence.com](http://www.hrbcflorence.com)**

# NOVEMBER

23—Ladies Taste of Christmas Event begins @ 5:30pm.

27—No Youth or other Wednesday activities

28, 29—Church office will be closed

30—Parking Lot Mission



# DECEMBER

*There will be no Youth Small Groups on Sunday evening in December.*

1—Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

1—Hanging of the Greens @ 6pm

7—SWATT going to Carolina Opry

8—Christmas Musical, “Christmas is Jesus” 6pm.  
AWANA will meet 5:30—6pm

8—\$50 deposit due for youth ski trip. Please sign up online at [www.hrbcflorence.com](http://www.hrbcflorence.com)

14—Kids Choirs Rehearsal 8:30am to 12 noon

15—Children’s Musical  
6pm **NO AWANA**

22—Candle Light Service  
6pm **NO AWANA** finger food Christmas social after.



24, 25—Church office will be closed

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# possibilities

*What if our building was paid off?*

*Imagine* how much more ministry could happen.

## Bible Study 2020



### Small Groups

Get ready for Small Group Bible studies  
Sundays at 5:30pm, beginning  
January, 2020.

**Topics / Titles include:**

*Kingdom Man*

*Kingdom Woman*

*Marriage Class*

*Financial Class*