

The Messenger

The Monthly Newsletter of
Morningside Baptist Church
Spartanburg, SC

We **Seek** a personal, life-changing relationship with God through prayer, engaging worship, and Bible teaching.
We **Serve** others by modeling the love of Christ through missions and ministry involvement.
We **Share** God's grace through genuine, loving fellowship and discipleship.

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All Saints' Day

Sunday, November 2
11:00 A.M.

All Saints' Day is marked as an occasion to honor and remember those church members who have died since November 1 of last year. Their names are read during Worship, a chime is played as the family of the deceased stands, a candle is lit, and a moment of silence is observed. Following the service, families of the deceased are invited to attend a reception in the Youth Room.

Please be in prayer for these families who have lost a loved one.

VETERANS DAY



— Honoring All Who Served —



**Sunday,
November 9**

***Breakfast
9:00 A.M.**

***Recognition
Service
11:00 A.M.**

The church family is invited to breakfast (sausage biscuits, pastries, and beverages) in the Fellowship Hall as we honor our Veterans who have served in the Armed Forces. We will feature pictures of our Veterans on monitors throughout the church and in a display in the Fellowship Hall.

We will continue to celebrate those individuals with the Presentation of Colors, the Pledges of Allegiance to the Flags, prayer, and special music during our morning Worship Service, beginning at 11:00 A.M.

Veterans, if you have not previously turned in a picture of yourself in uniform, please do so to Kathy Green no later than Wednesday, November 5.

We ask that all Veterans meet us on the Welcome Center stairs at 9:25 A.M. for a group photograph.

**Sunday, November 30
9:30 A.M.**

This year, our ***Hanging of the Green Celebration*** will be held during our Sunday School hour, beginning at 9:30 A.M. We will decorate our Sanctuary together while celebrating the Coming of our Lord to open the Advent Season. We will also explore the significance of each element of Advent through music and scripture.

Please join us for this joyous seasonal celebration and then for light refreshments in the Fellowship Hall from 10:30 - 10:50 A.M.

Our *First Sunday of Advent Morning Worship* is scheduled for 11:00 A.M. in the Sanctuary.

HANGING
OF THE **GREEN**

From Our Pastor

This past weekend, we held our Fall Festival and Craft Market, and I was truly amazed by the turnout! I saw so many new faces browsing the craft tables, and I'm thrilled to share that we raised over \$8,700 to further God's kingdom through missions. That is incredible! I know how much collective effort this took, and I just want to say, *Well done, everyone!*

This year we added the Fall Festival component to draw younger families and provide something special for the kids, and it was a tremendous success. We welcomed a steady stream of families from our community who came out for games, inflatables, hotdogs, snow cones, popcorn, and, of course, candy. But even more importantly, every one of those children (at least 99 of them, along with their parents) heard a clear gospel presentation. These are seeds that can bear eternal fruit. It is our prayer that they will grow into lives devoted to Jesus.

I was so impressed by the response of our church family. Everywhere I looked, I saw our people engaging visitors with warm smiles and friendly conversations. Youth and adults alike jumped in to lead games and interact joyfully with the kids. Some of you braved the chilly weather to make snow cones non-stop, while others served food with cheerful hearts. Whether you came early to set up, monitored a bounce house, crafted beautiful items for the market, canned pickles, baked delicious foods, or simply came to enjoy and connect, **you** played a vital part in making this event so special.

Thank you for showing such generosity, hospitality, and love for our community. I'm deeply grateful for each of you and excited to see how God will continue to use our church to reach others with the love of Christ.

In Christ,
Brandon

Operation Warmth

We have begun collecting gently-used coats, sweaters, hats, scarves, gloves and blankets for Miracle Hill to distribute during the winter months.

Please place all donations in the boxes labeled Operation Warmth.

****Collections will run through Sunday, December 14****



Mside Family

Daylight Saving Time Ends

Remember to set your clock back one hour on November 1.



MORNINGSIDE FAMILY GAME NIGHT



Scan QR Code to Register

Wednesday, November 5

Fellowship Hall 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Spaghetti Casserole Dinner starts at 6:00 p.m.

(Dinner is provided by The Light Sunday School Class)

Sign up if you plan to attend by Wednesday, October 29



Collection Dates:
Sunday, November 2 - Sunday, November 30

We will be collecting new unwrapped toys for
PS I Love You



Please drop off all donations to

Jayne Belmont's Office by November 30



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TOGETHER

Our Church Goal \$3,000



Week of Prayer for International Missionaries November 30 - December 7, 2025

In 1873, Lottie Moon was appointed as a missionary to China. She spent nearly forty years sharing the gospel with love, courage, and unwavering faith. Her letters home inspired churches to pray and give, leading to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions. Today, 100% of this offering supports missionaries and helps take the life-transforming message of Jesus to the nations. Let's honor Lottie Moon's legacy by praying and giving so others can hear the hope of the gospel.

Students

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR SUMMER CAMPS 2026!



Youth grades 7-12th

July 6-10, 2026

Southern Wesleyan University

Cost: \$384.00



Children who have completed 2nd- 6th grade

July 19-23, 2026

Ridgecrest Conference Center

Cost: \$380.00

1st non-refundable \$25 deposits are due on or by
Sunday, November 9 to reserve your spot for camp!

HEARTS AND HANDS CRAFTERS PRESENTS:

CARD MAKING WORKSHOP FOR YOUTH

Come enjoy a morning of making Thanksgiving Cards
for our Homebound Members

Saturday, November 15

10:00 a.m. - noon

Please sign up with Laura by Sunday, November 9 if you plan to attend

CHURCHWIDE THANKSGIVING AND STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

Sunday, November 23

Following Sunday Worship
in the Fellowship Hall

The church will provide
chicken, ham, rolls and tea

Every family is asked to bring a
generous side and dessert to share

PLEASE SIGN YOUR FAMILY UP IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND BY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16



Youth Trip to the OCC Processing Center

Wednesday, November 26

Meet at the church at 11:30 a.m.

Return around 6:30 p.m.

Must be 13 years old to participate

Sign up and complete waiver by Sunday, November 16

Events in November

Calendar of Weekly Events

Sundays

A Time for Prayer - 9:00 A.M.

Infinite Mercy Rehearsal - 9:00 A.M.

Coffee Fellowship - 9:15 A.M.

Bible Study - 9:30 A.M.

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal - 10:35 A.M.

Worship - 11:00 A.M.

Infinite Mercy Rehearsal - 3:30 P.M.

Clarion Sounds Rehearsal - 5:00 P.M.

Mondays

Golden Tones - 1:30 P.M.

Tuesdays

Ladies' Bible Study (Nov. 4, 11) - 10:00 A.M.

Bicycle Ministry - 8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Staff Meeting - 12:30 P.M.

Scouts - 6:30 P.M.

Wednesdays

Evening Programs - 6:00 P.M.

Families - Praise and Prayer

Adults - Biblical Bible Round Table - Hebrews

Youth - *Radical Like Jesus* Study - 6:15 P.M.

Children - Music and Missions - 6:15 P.M.

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal - 7:00 P.M.

Thursdays

Fridays

Church Office Closed

Additional Activities

- 2 **P.S. I Love You** Toy Drive Begins
- All Saints' Day Service/Reception - 11:00 A.M.
- 5 Spaghetti Dinner and Family Game Night - 6:00 P.M.
- 6 Last Day of Good News Club until New Year
- 7 Clarion Sounds Rings at Eden Terrace
- 8 Golden Tones Sings at Harmony in Simpsonville
- 9 Veterans Day Breakfast - 9:00 A.M.
- Veterans Day Recognition - 11:00 A.M.
- 10 Deacons' Meeting - 6:30 P.M.
- 11 Stitches and Sowers - 1:15 P.M.
- Cardmaking Class with Youth - 10:00 A.M.
- 18 Stampin' Up - 10:00 A.M.
- 23 Observance of The Lord's Supper - 11:00 A.M.
- Churchwide Thanksgiving Luncheon and Staff Appreciation - 12:00 P.M.
- 25 Joy of Missions - 12:00 P.M.
- 26 Operation Christmas Child Trip - 11:30 A.M.
- 26-27 Church Office Closed

November 30 - December 7

Week of Prayer for International Missions

- 30 Hanging of the Green - 9:30 A.M.
- Muffins and Beverages - 10:30-10:50 A.M.
- Clarion Sounds Rings in Worship - 11:00 A.M.

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Coming in December



Congratulations to

... Rev. and Mrs. Richard Peters and family in the birth
 of their great-granddaughter, Melissa Eden Roberts, on
 October 19, 2025.

Deacons on Call

November 2-8

Katherine Wiggins
 Michelle Maness

November 9-15

Shirley Bodnar
 Kathy Covington

November 16-22

Jody Welch
 Jerry Easler

November 23-29

Jack Dodds
 John Rogers

November 30-December 6

Malcom McClure
 Butch Rhoads

Sympathy Extended to

... Michael and Katherine Jones and family in the
 death of Katherine's brother, Bobby Jo DeYoung
 on October 7, 2025, in Spartanburg, South
 Carolina.

... Martha Taylor and family in the death of her
 great-grandson, Wesley Dustin Taylor, on October
 27, 2025. in Spartanburg, South Carolina.

Thank You Notes for Your Prayers and Acts of Kindness

Libby Knudson Martha Taylor
 Mary H. Wright Elementary School



Ministers on Call

October 31 - November 2

November 21-23

Laura White
 828-447-2175

November 7-9

November 28-30
 Robert Mitchell
 864-597-3966

November 14-16

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