

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor

December 2, 2018 ~ 10:45 a.m.



Welcome/Invocation/Lord's Prayer

Lighting of the Advent Candle: HOPE

Candle Lighters: Mike & Barb Stoner

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4

Hymns	<i>"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"</i>	#245
	<i>"What Child is This?"</i>	#281
	<i>"Let's Worship and Adore Him"</i>	#247

Offering

Doxology*	#815
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Anthem	<i>"Heaven's Child"</i>	Sanctuary Choir
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Scripture Reading	Philippians 2:5-11
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Message	<i>"Letting Go"</i>	Nathan Brooks
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Communion *(Deacons serving communion today are: Brad Ellis,
Debra Hudson, Jennifer Moody, Jason Nicholson and Casey Rice)*

Closing Hymn*	<i>"Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"</i>	#244
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Benediction*

Postlude*

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\* You are invited to stand if able

*The kneeling rails at the front of the sanctuary are open throughout the service for prayer.*

## This Week's Calendar

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|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Today</b>      | 9:30 a.m..... Sunday School                                 |
| <i>December 2</i> | 10:30 a.m..... Prayer in Nathan's office                    |
|                   | 10:45 a.m..... Morning Worship                              |
|                   | 6:00 p.m..... FLAMES                                        |
| <b>Monday</b>     | 6:30 p.m..... Choir Practice                                |
| <i>December 3</i> |                                                             |
| <b>Tuesday</b>    | 6:30 p.m..... Trustees                                      |
| <i>December 4</i> |                                                             |
| <b>Wednesday</b>  | 9:00 a.m..... Bible Study                                   |
| <i>December 5</i> | 10:30 a.m..... 150 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Planning Group |
| <b>Thursday</b>   | 11:00 a.m..... Cottage Prayer Group                         |
| <i>December 6</i> | 6:30 p.m..... Deacons                                       |

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Next Week's Scripture

Malachi 3:1-5

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### ***Birthdays this Week***

|            |               |
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| December 3 | Jeff Coffin   |
|            | John Cummings |
|            | Dixie Geyer   |
| December 5 | John Bailey   |
| December 6 | Leslie Ayers  |

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FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

The food pantry is in need of spaghetti, spaghetti sauce and ramen noodles.

If you are interested in becoming a member of First Baptist Church or if you have questions about what membership means, please feel free to contact Pastor Nathan or one of the Deacons. We would be happy to talk and pray with you.

Next Week's Volunteers – December 9

Prayer	Kathy Ham
Sound System.....	Braden Hudson
Children's Worship.....	Betty Miller
Nursery.....	Karla Pruett/Calvin Myers

December Volunteers

Deacon of the Month	Debra Hudson
Trustee of the Month.....	Eric Moody
Usher of the Month	Bob Templeton
Greeters	Jason Nicholson

***If you are unable to work on your scheduled week,
PLEASE find someone to take your place!***

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*FBC sermons are available online. Visit our church website, [fbcbloom.org](http://fbcbloom.org), and click on "Featured Media." Or scan this QR code with your smart phone to go directly to the Featured Media page. From there you may select Sermons, Newsletters or Bulletins.*



## A Look at Last Week

### **Attendance**

|                               |     |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| Sunday School.....            | 63  |
| Morning Worship Service ..... | 122 |

### **Last Week's Giving**

|                                 |            |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| General Fund.....               | \$3,749.25 |
| White Christmas .....           | \$555.00   |
| World Missions .....            | \$40.00    |
| One Great Hour of Sharing ..... | 100.00     |

### **Year to Date Giving**

|                            |              |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| Income .....               | \$222,731.66 |
| Budget Requirements .....  | \$224,608.88 |
| Net Income vs. Budget..... | \$-1,877.22  |



# First Baptist Church Vision Statement

*The First Baptist Church is the body of Christ, nurturing all parts of the body within, bringing Christ to others and others to Christ.*



## Church Covenant

We, the members of First Baptist Church Bloomfield, having been led by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, most sincerely and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ. We pledge, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit:

To attend the services of FBC Bloomfield regularly for spiritual nourishment, growth and encouragement:

To walk together and watch over one another in Christian love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in times of sickness and difficulty; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation;

To contribute cheerfully and regularly, according to our ability, to the support of FBC Bloomfield and its various activities; to support the spread of the Gospel of Jesus Christ throughout the world;

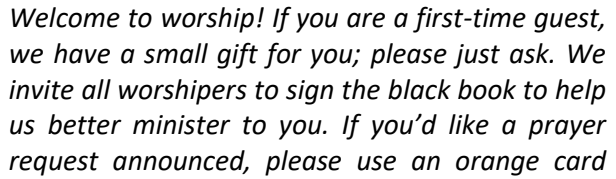
To strive in our family lives to make Jesus Christ the center of our homes;

To cultivate a life of devotion and consecration to God;

To aid and assist prayerfully, loyally and affectionately, the ministers and others who seek to strengthen the witness of FBC Bloomfield;

To conduct ourselves in accordance with the principles of our Lord, in all our social and business relationships;

We enter into this covenant under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, prayerfully asking for Divine guidance and help in this our earnest endeavor.



## New prayer requests from last week, November 25

Hannah B. (*Friend of Haley Brown*)

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## **Anniversary Planning Meeting – December 5**

The next planning meeting for our church's 150th celebration next year will be on Wednesday, December 5, at 10:30 a.m. in the Narthex. Even if you didn't join us last time you are welcome to join us this time.

## **Young People Away Care Packages – December 6**



On Thursday, December 6, at 9:00 a.m., five care packages for our Young People Away will be assembled in the Fellowship Hall. We would appreciate contributions from our Church Family. A few ideas are homemade cookies, candy, muffins, microwave popcorn, gum, candy canes, crackers, hot chocolate mix etc. We want to remind our students how much we love and pray for them. Thanks for supporting this mission. All items can be left on the island in Fellowship Hall.

## **Open House at the Parsonage – December 21**

The Brooks family would like to invite you to stop by the parsonage on December 21, between 5:00-7:00pm, for our annual Christmas open house. We love you, First Baptist!



## **Christmas Poinsettias**



This year's poinsettias have been purchased and donated anonymously to the church. They are in honor and memory of all of our loved ones. If you would like to take one home with you, you may do so following the Christmas Eve service.

## **Leadership Retreat – January 12**

We will have a church leadership retreat on Saturday, January 12, beginning at 9:00 a.m. here at the church. If you anticipate serving on the Deacons, Council, Trustees, or Bright Beginnings Board, please mark the date on your calendar. (Snow date is January 19.)

## Hoops For Him Begins January 26



The 2019 Hoops for Him Basketball Program will be held at the Bloomfield First Baptist Christian Life Center beginning January 26 and ending March 16, 2019. Any boy or girl age 4 through 6th Grade is invited to participate. Session 1 for

Preschool and Kindergarten age kids will be 9:00-10:00am, Session 2 for Grades 1-3 will be 10:00-11:30am, and Session 3 for Grades 4-6 will be 11:30am-1:00pm each Saturday. The season will conclude with an Awards Ceremony on March 16th. Online Registrations will be available through our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/HoopsforHim/>.

Volunteers are needed every Saturday to lead each session, coach the kids, work the concession stand, and provide devotions. Please prayerfully consider how you can help make our 9th consecutive season successful. The volunteer sign-up sheet will be circulated at church or you may contact Eric Moody (email [eric.moody@navy.mil](mailto:eric.moody@navy.mil) or text 812-227-0700) if you are willing to assist.



## Family Life Center (FLC) Announcements

FLC is now accepting new Christmas toys and children clothes for the Community Christmas Outreach.

As we prepare for the Christmas season we are requesting a pause on clothing donations until mid-January.

FLC will close to families on December 19 for cleaning, painting, and renovations.