FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor

March 20, 2016 ~ 10:45 a.m.

Greeting Time					
Welcome / Registration / Announcements					
Invocation / Lor	d's Prayer Deaco	on Randy Flanagin			
Processional	"Let the People Sing Hosanna!" Children	Sanctuary Choir enter with palms			
*Hymns	"O Magnify the Lord" "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"	#124 #297			
Offering					
*Gloria Patri		#812			
Special Music	"2000 Years"	Delene Weeks			
Morning Prayer					
Scripture		Mark 15:1-15			
Message	"Satisfying the Crowd"	Pastor Nathan			
*Closing Hymn	"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"	#620			
*Benediction					
*Postlude					

* You are invited to stand if able

 ** The kneeling rails at the front of the sanctuary are open throughout the service for prayer. **
*** Hearing aid devices are available at the Greeter's table. Just turn it on and adjust the volume. ***

This Week's Calendar

Today	8:00 a.mHandbell Practice	
March 20	9:00 a.m Kingdom Kids	
	9:30 a.m Sunday School	
	10:30 a.m Prayer in Nathan's office	
	10:40 a.mMorning Announcements	
	10:45 a.m Morning Worship	
	6:00 p.mRevive!	
Monday March 21	6:30 p.m Choir Practice	
Tuesday March 22	6:00 p.mCottage Prayer Group	
Wednesday March 23	6:00 p.m FLAMES	
Thursday March 24	7:00 p.m Maundy Thursday Service	
Friday	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	
March 25	7:00 p.m Good Friday Service @ 1 st Presbyterian	
Sunday March 27	7:00 a.mSunrise Service @ Bloomfield Methodist	

Next Week's Scripture: Mark 16:1-8

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Birthdays this week: March 26 Doug Frye

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Nursery care is provided today by Erin & Chris Wilson

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 – March 27

Prayer	Sharon Terrell
Sound System	Eric Moody
Children's Worship	No Children's Worship
Nursery	ТВА

MARCH Volunteers

Deacon of the Month	Randy Flanagin	
Trustee of the Month	Braden Hudson	
Usher of the Month	Charles Porter	
Greeters	Warren Bartlett & Randy Flanagin	

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

FBC sermons are available online. Visit our church website, 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

<u>Attendance</u>	
Sunday School	
Morning Worship Service	125
Last Week's Giving	
General Fund	\$3,974.53
Memorial Fund	\$80.00

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.



We invite you to sign the attendance register as it is passed your way and, if you are visiting with us for the first time, we have information for you regarding life at First Baptist.

Prayer Concerns

Friends and loved ones who need Christ Persecuted Christians around the world American Baptist Missionaries around the world For Peace on Farth–Psalm 46:9 US Military personnel around the world Richard Akers (Alan Kirkman's step-father) Sonia Ayers (Damon Ayers mother) Tina Blythe Steve Buccola and family Carl Dennis (Sue Sanford) Mason Ellis (Brad & Anne's grandson) Melinda Ellis (Brad & Anne's daughter) Charlie Farmer & Pam Schultz Charlotte Gabbard (Joan Vaughn) Jayklin Graf (Steve & Cheri's granddaughter) Krista Hudson (Bob Holt's daughter) Charlotte Humerickhouse John Lamson Leon Maners Walt Mattox (Nancy Beall) Gary Orman (*Kerrie Barnett's uncle*) **Charles Parker** Steve Petit (Debra Hudson's cousin) Gerald Pullum (Debra Hudson's father) Jean Resler Zack Rodgers (Robin & John Lamson) Amanda Stemmler (Cheri Graf) Terri Sullivan (Betty Sullivan) Rev. Carl Williams (Cheri Graf)

America For Christ Offering 2016

Our American Baptist family has a profound heritage as a compassionate, engaging and giving people. Since 1824 American Baptist Home Mission Societies (ABHMS) has been declaring and proclaiming the gospel of our Lord in word and deed. Today ABMHS remains rooted in that word and committed to responding to the everchanging needs of churches and communities in the United States and Puerto Rico.

The theme for this year's America for Christ Offering is an appeal to become more like Christ, based on Ephesians 2:10, which states: "For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life". This scripture asserts that everything offered by the Lord is via God's grace, mercy and love.

The America for Christ offering 2016 reminds us that service is a way of life for Christ's church. Extending the hope, love and compassion of our Lord to our neighbors and communities is a powerful demonstration that we have been transformed.

Please join in giving generously to the year's offering by using one of the envelopes located on the back of each pew or making a check to First Baptist Church and indicate America for Christ offering in the memo line of the check.

Lenten Breakfast and Holy Week Schedule

March 24 – Maundy Thursday Service @ FBC – 7:00pm March 25 – Good Friday Service @ First Presbyterian – 7:00pm March 27 – Easter Sunrise Service @ Bloomfield UMC – 7:00am

Volunteers Needed Easter Sunday

On Easter Sunday we have a need for 2 adults or an adult and a teen to stay in the nursery. The worship service can be heard in the room. We would greatly appreciate this act of loving service. Please let Pastor Nathan know if you can help.

<u> Church Cookout – April 3</u>

Mark your calendars for April 3, 2016. Steve Buccola wants to show his appreciation and love for our church family by hosting a cookout after church. He will be providing hamburgers, hot dogs, and barbecued chicken. The Deacons will grill the food and provide the buns. The Social Committee will furnish a veggie tray, a fruit tray, drinks, table service and condiments for the sandwiches. The Church family is asked to bring their favorite picnic side dish, salad, or dessert. If inclement weather, the meal will be served in Fellowship Hall. After the meal, there will be activities and games. Plan to attend this fun day of fellowship!

Bright Beginnings Flower Fundraiser

Bright Beginnings Daycare will once again be selling flowers for our Spring Fundraiser!! We will have 4.5" potted annuals in a variety of styles and colors for \$3.50 each; 8" and 12" tubs of geranium and new guinea impatiens for \$15/\$20; a 12" geranium combo for \$25; and 10" hanging baskets for \$20. The flowers will be here for pick up on April 28 just in time for Mother's Day. Order forms are on the library counter and all **orders are due by April 15!** Please make checks out to Bright Beginnings Daycare.

<u>Thank you</u>

Dear 1st Baptist Family,

Wow! What a blessing I have received from this church. I have been shown love through the unexpected phone calls from Pastor Nathan, to the visit and flowers, the compassion of this church.

Thank you for reaching out and being there for me in the passing of my father, Jack Steele. God bless you all!

Kim Schulte and family.