FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor

November 25, 2018 ~ 10:45 a.m.

"Come. Ye Thankful People. Come"

#797

Welcome/Invocation/Lord's Prayer

Hvmns

Postlude*

114111113	(vv 1, 3 & 4)	#131
	"Why Should He Love Me So?"	#325
	"We Bow Down"	#154
Offering		
Gloria Patri*		#812
Special Music		
Scripture Reading		Joel 2:18-27
Message	"Spring is Coming"	Nathan Brooks
Closing Hymn*	"While We Are Waiting, Come"	#760
Benediction*		

* You are invited to stand if able

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

If you have any pictures from FBC events and ministries, please send them to Carolyn Burgess to be included in the morning slideshow.

This Week's Calendar

Today <i>November 25</i>	9:30 a.m
Monday November 26	6:30 p.m Choir Practice
Wednesday <i>November 28</i>	9:00 a.mBible Study
Thursday <i>November 29</i>	11:00 a.mCottage Prayer Group 6:30 p.mChurch Council
Friday <i>November 30</i>	6:00 p.mParent's Night Out / Movie Night
~~~~~	Next Week's Scripture
	Philippians 2:5-11
~~~~~	Birthdays this Week
~~~~~	November 29 Anne Ellis

# **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 2

Prayer	John Bailey
Sound System	Paul Schmidt
Children's Worship	No Children's Worship
Nursery	Sandy Clark

### **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!

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

#### Attendance

Sunday School	54
Morning Worship Service 1	10

## Last Week's Giving

General Fund	\$3,091.39
White Christmas	\$200.00
World Missions	\$37.00

# **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.



Welcome to worship! If you are a first-time guest, we have a small gift for you; please just ask. We invite all worshipers to sign the black book to help us better minister to you. If you'd like a prayer request announced, please use an orange card

from your pew and place it in the offering plate. Guests, your presence is a gift to us; please feel no pressure to participate in the offering.

## New prayer requests from last week, November 18

Jayden (Janet Schmidt's nephew)

Mike Toon (Cheri Campbell's son)		

## Hanging of the Greens - TODAY

Please join us after worship today as we decorate the church for the Christmas season. The social committee will provide pizza for lunch for anyone willing to stay and help.

# Movie Night / Parents Night Out - November 30

Drop off your kids (ages 3 through 6th grade) for dinner and a movie and take some time to yourselves! Dinner will be served in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00pm followed by the movie "The Star" in the sanctuary. After the movie we will come back down and work on some crafts until you come to pick up your kids at 8:30pm.

Volunteers! Would you like to help parents have a night off? Please talk to Kimberly Porter or Tasha Hudson if you would like to help serve dinner or interact with the kids on this Friday night.

## **World Mission Offering Continues through November**

Thank you to everyone who supported the Silent Auction for the World Mission Offering. We collected a little over \$1000! We will continue to receive this special offering through the end of November.

### White Christmas Food Baskets

If you, or someone you know, could use a food basket this Christmas, please contact the church office and speak to Brenda. Any family in our service area (zip codes: 47424, 47457, 47439, 47449, 47453 and 47522) regardless of employment or income level, is eligible. Registration for the boxes has been extended to November 27, 2018. Distribution will be Saturday, December 15 from 9-11am in the Fellowship Hall.

### **White Christmas Donations**

White Christmas envelopes have been placed in the pew pockets. If you would like to donate to this program, please use the "White Christmas" envelopes in the pew pockets or, if writing a check, put "White Christmas" on the memo line and place it in the offering plate. The Food Pantry Committee will use the donations to purchase food items to provide Christmas breakfast and dinner to families in need.

## **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.

### **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.)

# **Family Life Center (FLC) Announcements**

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

FLC accepts Christmas decorations of all types throughout the year. Decorations distribution to families is November 26-28. We typically serve 60-65 families with trees and decorations during these three days.

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."