

Sunday, December 24, 2023

10:40 a.m. Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor

Prelude Ruth Barker

Welcome/Announcements/Lord's Prayer Deacon Dennis Kutch

Lighting of the Advent Candle: LoveKathy Myers

John 3:16-17

Hymns "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" #244

"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" #277
"I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day" #267

Offering

Gloria Patri #812

Morning Prayer

Special Music "Hallelujah" The Moody Family

Scripture Isa. 9:6-7, Mt. 2:1-2

Message "Born a Child, Yet a King" Pastor Nathan

Closing Song "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" #258

Benediction

Postlude Ruth Barker

Prayer Request Cards

If you have a request for which you would like prayer during worship, please fill out a Prayer Request Card and give it to one of the Deacons, or Pastor Nathan. They can also be placed in the offering plate. Cards are in the pew backs and on the table in the Narthex.

This Week @ FBC

Today December 24	10:40 a.m	Sunday School Morning Worship Candlelight Service
Sunday December 31	10:40 a.m	Sunday SchoolMorning Worship 'outh & Young Adult New Year's Eve Party

There will be no Bible Study on December 27 or January 3

Birthdays this Week

December 30: Donna Miller

Anniversaries this Week

December 26: Alan & Janet Brown

Holiday Closings

The Food Pantry will be closed the week of Christmas December 26-28.

They will return to business as usual on 2 January 2024.

The church office will be closed on December 26.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service Tonight

Our Candlelight Service will be held at 6:00 p.m. this evening.

Youth & Young Adult New Years Eve Party December 31

Youth Group kids and the young adults are invited to ring in the New Year with a New Year's Eve party at the CLC from 7pm-Midnight, hosted by the Hudsons. Please bring a dessert or side dish to share and any card games or board games you like to play!

Offering Envelopes

Offering envelopes for 2024 are available on the library counter.

White Christmas Boxes

Thank you! Thank you! First Baptist Congregation for your monetary and item donations to the White Christmas Boxes. This event would not be possible without your help!!! Special shout out goes to the youth who came out on Thursday and set up the tables and put out the food on the tables. There were 79 boxes prepared and with the help of many First Baptist members filling the boxes on Friday the time went quickly. A special thank you goes to the Boy Scout Troop 464 for putting the lastminute cold food items in the boxes on Saturday and taking them out to the vehicles and putting them in the vehicle!!!! A special thank you goes to Mike and Barb Stoner for donating a small stuffed animal to the younger children and a blanket to the older ones, Steve and Cheri Graf for donating a roll or two of bathroom tissue in each box, and the Christian Builders Sunday School Class for donating a toothbrush for each member of the families, a bar or two of soap and a tube of toothpaste. Thanks again for all who participated in time, money, or items. God definitely worked through you to be a blessing to others!!!

A Look at Last Week

(On-line giving is available here: Tithe.ly or at www.fbcbloom.org)

Last Week's Giving

General Fund	\$7,853.87
RMMO	\$170.00
Food Pantry	\$100.00

Year to Date Giving

Income (undesignated giving)	\$251,476.62
Budget Requirements	\$268,773.57
Net Income vs. Budget	- \$17.296.95



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Telephone Prayer Chain Update

Hello everyone. The Deacons will be updating the telephone prayer chain. If you are currently on the prayer chain and want to remain on there, you don't need to do anything. If you aren't currently on the chain and want to be added, you have updates (e.g., phone number change), or if you would like to be removed from the chain, let me know. If you have any questions, please ask. Please have your update to me by January 7th. Thank you, Kathy Ham.



The 2024 Hoops for Him Season begins January 27th and runs each Saturday through March 16th, 2024. Any child aged 4 through the 6th grade may participate in this program that teaches basic basketball skills along with our love of Christ. Online Registrations are available via our Facebook page or scan this QR code. Contact Eric Moody at 812-227-0700 if you are willing to help out during the season. Volunteers are needed to coach and lead devotions each Saturday.



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.