



# Sunday, April 28, 2024

10:40 a.m.

Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor

Prelude Andrew Sohn

Welcome/Announcements/Lord's Prayer Deacon Kathy Ham

Call to Worship *"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"* Kingdom Kids

Hymns *"Fairest Lord Jesus"* #87

*"Awesome God"* #179

*"Praise Him, All Ye Little Children"* #188

Offering

Gloria Patri #812

Morning Prayer

Special Music *"My Heart, Your Home"* Kingdom Kids

Children's Compassion Moment Liz Brooks

Scripture Matthew 19:13-15

Message *"Preparing Our Posture"* Pastor Nathan

Closing Song *"Pass Me Not"* #489

Benediction

Postlude Andrew Sohn



## *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.

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***This Week @ FBC***

**Today** 9:00 a.m..... Kingdom Kids Practice  
April 28 9:30 a.m..... Sunday School  
10:40 a.m..... Morning Worship  
4:00 p.m..... Rocky Roads Children’s Program  
5:00 p.m..... Softball Practice

**Tuesday** 9:30 a.m..... Cottage Prayer Group  
April 30

**Wednesday** 9:00 a.m..... Bible Study  
May 1

**Thursday** 7:00 p.m..... Choir Practice  
May 2

**Sunday** 9:30 a.m..... Sunday School  
May 5 10:40 a.m..... Morning Worship  
5:00 p.m..... Softball Practice

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***Birthdays this Week***

April 28 – Lori Resler

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***Church Office Hours Returning to Normal***

Beginning this week, church office hours will again be:  
Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am -12:00 pm and 1:00 pm-3:00 pm

***Baby Dedication Sunday, May 12 and June 2***

We will have a Baby Dedication on Mother’s Day, May 12 and Sunday, June 2, 2024. If you have a child or grandchild you would like to present to the Lord, on either of these days, please let Pastor Nathan know no later than May 5.

***Rocky Roads Children’s Program Today!***

This month’s children’s program, Rocky Roads, will be this afternoon at 4:00 pm. Contact Tasha if you are able to help.

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR THOSE SEEKING HEALING:

- Ask the Lord to help you examine your heart and your relationship with Him. If the Holy Spirit brings something to mind that requires repentance and forgiveness, address this need before asking for healing. As far as you are able, make sure that your heart is clear before God.
- Take a green card from one of the tables or your bulletin and put on it your first name and the one thing for which you are asking. Your need will be kept confidential unless you circle “no” on the card.
- Approach one of the prayers for anointing and prayer. Come humbly, yet with confidence that Christ can heal. You may kneel or sit as is comfortable for you.
- If you are unable to come forward, raise your hand and we will come to you.
- Visualize yourself in the presence of Christ, for He is present with you. Reach out to Him in heart and spirit - believe in His ability to heal.
- After your anointing, give thanks to God for hearing your prayers, and express your confidence in Him and in His timing in all things.
- Arise in faith and return to your seat to reflect upon the Lord's love for you and what you have just experienced and join in with the prayers of the congregation for other seekers.

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CONGREGATION:

- Ask the Lord to help you examine your heart and your relationship with Him. If the Holy Spirit brings something to mind that requires repentance and forgiveness, address this need before asking for healing. As far as you are able, make sure that your heart is clear before God.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to give you wisdom in discerning how to pray.
- As the seekers come forward, focus your prayers on each one. Pray for their healing, for their faith, for their trust in Christ.
- Pray that the Lord would meet and touch each seeker, that He would lift their burden or give them the strength to bear it.
- Pray for the family of the seeker.

## SCRIPTURES FOR REFLECTION:

Gen 18:13-14

2 Kings 5:10-14

Ps 103:1-5

Ps 107:1-32

Isa 53:4-5

Isa 58:6-9

Jer 32:26-27

Matt 8:5-13

Matt 15:21-28

Matt 19:16-26

Luke 1:26-37

John 6:8-13

James 5:13-16

Heb 6:9-12

Heb 11:1-2

Rev 21:1-5

Mt 17:14-20

Mt 19:13-15

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Posture*

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## ***Graduate Recognition Sunday, May 19***

We will be celebrating our high school graduates Emma Resler, Gabe Brown, Ava Manuel, and Willow Foxworthy with a taco luncheon in the Fellowship Hall.

## ***Summer Special Music***

As the season for the choir ensembles winds down, it is once again time for special music in the worship services throughout the summer! All musicians are invited to share their talents with music that adds to meaningful worship. Please contact Andrew Sohn, Brenda Flanagin, or Steve Clark.

## ***Aspire Women's Retreat Sunday, May 5***

The Aspire Women's Retreat will be coming to the Bloomfield Methodist Church Sunday May 5th. Doors open at 4:30 pm for the 5:00 pm show. The 3-hour program will include Bible teaching, Comedy, and Music. General admission tickets are \$30.00. There are a few tickets left that can be purchased at the Family Life Center 812-384-1639. (group tickets for 10 or more women are \$25).

## ***Bright Beginnings Board Looking for Volunteers***

The Bright Beginnings Board is looking for people to staff a yard sale in shifts on Friday and Saturday, May 3&4. If you can help out for a couple hours, please let Tasha Hudson know. We are putting out daycare things for sale during Bloomfield's Townwide Yard Sale.

### **A Look at Last Week**

*(On-line giving is available here: [Tithe.ly](http://Tithe.ly) or at [www.fbc bloom.org](http://www.fbc bloom.org))*

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

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| General Fund ..... | \$2,289.13 |
| Food Pantry .....  | \$130.00   |

#### **Year to Date Giving**

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| Income (undesignated giving) ..... | \$71,912.02  |
| Budget Requirements.....           | \$86,209.44  |
| Net Income vs. Budget .....        | -\$14,297.42 |

# COMPASSION *sunday*<sup>®</sup>

Right now, up to 783 million people in the world are facing hunger. Children are suffering. In the face of such injustice, I know you want to do something.

But maybe you're wondering how you can make a difference. Maybe you're asking ... what's the best way to tackle something as vast as hunger and global poverty? And what can I really do about it?

Today is Compassion Sunday — a day set apart to respond to the needs of children living in poverty around the world. At the sponsorship table, you'll find photos of boys and girls who would love to have someone like you to serve, honor and protect them.

When you sponsor a child, you'll help them see themselves as precious and valuable in the eyes of God — which is one of the most potent weapons against poverty. And when it's paired with nutritious food to combat hunger, tutoring, regular medical checkups, and vocational training ... the result is a tangible and sustainable impact.

That's why children in Compassion's program are more likely to stay in school, break the cycle of poverty in their families, become leaders in their communities and build tomorrow's Church.

You can fight injustice by releasing a child from poverty in Jesus' name through sponsorship. *Will you?*

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