



# This Week's Calendar

**Today** 8:00 a.m. .... Handbell Practice  
*November 1* 9:30 a.m. .... Sunday School  
10:40 a.m. .... Morning Announcements  
10:45 a.m. .... Morning Worship  
6:00 p.m. Southern Gospel Music @ Shawnee Theatre

**Tuesday** 6:00 p.m. .... Choir Practice  
*November 3* 6:00 p.m. .... Cottage Prayer Group

**Wednesday** 6:00 p.m. .... FLAMES  
*November 4*

**Thursday** 6:30 p.m. .... Church Council  
*November 5*

**Next Sunday** 6:00 p.m. .... Love Feast  
*November 8*



### ***Next Week's Scripture:***

*Psalm 107:17-22*



### ***Birthdays this week:***

November 1	Maggie Doane
	Brady Miller
November 4	Nolan Hughes
November 6	Tena Doane
November 7	Nathan Brooks



*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 – November 8

Sound System..... Braden Hudson  
Prayer ..... Janet Brown  
Children's Worship..... Betty Miller

## November Volunteers

Greeters ..... Brad & Anne Ellis  
Usher of the Month ..... Charles Porter  
Deacon of the Month ..... Jeff Coffin  
Trustee of the Month..... Eric Moody

***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, [fbc bloom.org](http://fbc bloom.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 ..... 40  
Morning Worship Service ..... 105

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

General Fund..... \$6,003.00  
World Mission..... \$30.00  
Building Usage..... \$50.00

#### **Year To Date**

Total Income ..... \$  
Total Expense ..... \$  
Net Income..... \$



# **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 Earth– Psalm 46:9  
US Military personnel around the world  
David & Beth Anne Adams (*Sue Sanford*)  
Denise Andrew

The family of Bill Beckelheimer (*Pastor at Worthington Baptist Church*)

Steve Buccola and family  
Becky Dayhoff  
Mason Ellis (*Brad & Anne's grandson*)  
Charlie Farmer & Pam Schultz  
Charlotte Gabbard (*Joan Vaughn's cousin*)  
Ginger (*Friend of Nancy Beall*)  
Jayklin Graf (*Steve & Cheri's granddaughter*)  
Zach Gray's Mom and Dad  
Ruth Gremore (*Cheri Campbell*)  
Chris and Laura Harris (*Friends of Brandt Hudson*)  
Krista Hudson (*Bob Holt's daughter*)  
Diana Lahmann (*friend of Cheri Graf*)  
Ron Malone (*James Malone's father*)  
Bennett Morris  
Mike & Carla Neff (*Nancy Covey*)  
Kay & Don Pierce  
Deni Pigg (*Becky Dayhoff's cousin*)  
Clarence Rudolph (*Nancy Covey's brother*)  
Madison Toon  
Tina Whitney (*Nancy Covey*)

## **Upcoming REVIVE! Schedule**

REVIVE! is our new Sunday evening service at 6 p.m. One of the purposes of this event is "focused prayer." We **will not meet** tonight or next Sunday. When we resume on November 15, our focus will be praying for loved ones who do not know Christ. If you would like for us to pray for someone you know, you are welcome to come that night or just give the person's name to Nathan and we will be sure to pray. We are happy to pray for "anonymous" too.

## **Jim Walter Retirement – November 1**

You are invited to attend a retirement reception for Jim Walter at First Baptist Church of Greencastle today at 3:00 p.m.

## **Love Feast – November 8**

Join us next Sunday evening 8 @ 6:00pm in the Christian Life Center for our annual Love Feast. The Social Committee will furnish the turkey and drinks. Sign-up sheets for the main dishes will be coming through the Sunday school classrooms. If you haven't signed up for one of the main dishes, please bring a vegetable or dessert. They are needed and appreciated.

## **Pictorial Directory Deadline – November 15**

If you would like to be included in the 2016 pictorial church directory, please submit your photos to Brenda in the church office by November 15. You may email your photo to [brenda.nichols@fbc bloom.org](mailto:brenda.nichols@fbc bloom.org)



## **Nursery Ministry**

One way to minister to people is to give them space to worship. Parents often need the few moments in church to be able to focus on God. One agreement we make as a church family is to be supportive of parents in raising their children to know God. Do you feel called to minister to parents and children by being in the nursery one Sunday a month? If so, there is a sign-up sheet on the library counter. Please see Sandy Clark 384-3257, Member of the Children's Ministry, for questions or additional information.

## Operation Christmas Child

Tis the season to pack your Operation Christmas Child shoebox. Actually, you have a couple of options to participate in this mission project. If you prefer to help with shipping costs instead of packing a box, \$7.00 is needed to send each box. If your time is limited, you can pack your box on line. Go to the Samaritan's Purse website for instructions and any other questions about packing your box. It is suggested you include a personal note and a picture. The most important thing you are asked to do is PRAY for the child who will receive your shoebox. Samaritan's Purse includes a Bible lesson workbook in each box that introduces the child to Jesus. White River Baptist Church, 174 N. SR 57, Bloomfield is the collection site in Greene County. Collection week is November 16-23. Call White River Church at 812-384-8127 for drop off dates and times. Be a blessing to others this Christmas Season by participating in this mission opportunity.

### GIFT IDEAS...

- For any age boy send a deflated soccer ball with a pump.
- New, nice short-sleeved shirts (with no writing) for boys and girls.
- Small flashlight with batteries
- Melamine plate, bowl, and/or cup
- Soap AND a plastic soap box / Toothbrush in a toothbrush holder.
- Pencils, erasers, colored pencils, and sharpeners, blue/black ink pens.
- For older kids send a simple watch, solar calculator or sunglasses
- For the youngest girls, a baby doll with light brown skin and no hair
- Toy car, truck or airplane for the youngest boys (NOT Matchbox size. They are too small and don't do well in dirt.)
- Hair elastics or head bands for girls
- Jump ropes
- Band-Aids
- Hard candy
- gum
- Comb
- Marbles
- Harmonica
- Socks

## Thank You

Dear FBC Family,

Thank you for your kind expressions of appreciation during Pastor Appreciation Month. We are thankful to be part of such a wonderful church family. We appreciate you!

Gratefully,  
Nathan, Liz, and Tiffany Brooks





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**LEADER:** So he subjected them to bitter labor;

**PEOPLE:** they stumbled, and there was no one to help.

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Pray for Christians around the world **imprisoned for their faith**. Pray God would strengthen, protect, and encourage them.

Pray God’s protection over **pastors and evangelists spreading the gospel** message in restricted and hostile nations.

Pray God’s provision and encouragement for **families of Christians who have been killed** for living out their faith in Jesus.

Pray **government officials in hostile and restricted nations will come to know Jesus Christ** personally and follow His will for their lives.

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