

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor

July 5, 2020

10:30 a.m.

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| Prelude | | Andrew Sohn |
| Welcome/Announcements/Lord's Prayer | | Deacon Bob Weeks |
| Praise Singing | <i>"Build Your Kingdom Here"</i> <i>"By His Wounds"</i> | Worship Team |
| Offering Invitation | | Bob Weeks |
| Doxology* | | #815 |
| Gideon Report | | JD Lynch |
| Morning Prayer | | Nathan Brooks |
| Special Music | <i>"Let Freedom Ring"</i> | The Trio |
| Scripture Reading | | Luke 11:2-4 |
| Message | <i>"Getting My Feet Wet"</i> | Nathan Brooks |
| Communion | | |
| Closing Hymn* | <i>"Seek Ye First"</i> | #713 |
| Benediction* / Postlude* | | |

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## *Prayer Concerns for this week:*

The family of Blanche, Shelia, Anne

\*\* Peace, healing and justice in our nation. \*\*

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Birthdays this Week

July 7 – Alex Brown

July 11 – Bob Weeks

Services and Operations @ FBC

- Full livestreams of our worship services will be available only by clicking on a direct link posted on our church's Facebook page: facebook.com/groups/fbcbloom. (A fresh link will appear each Sunday around 9:00 a.m. and go live at 10:30 a.m., EDT.) After editing, archived versions of every service will be available to the public at youtube.com/fbcbloomfield. Friends and family of FBC are encouraged to join our Facebook group so that you can continue to enjoy our full worship services live online.
- Our Wednesday Morning Bible Study is exploring Daniel at 9:00 a.m. We will broadcast live on our church's Facebook page: facebook.com/groups/fbcbloom. Friends and family of FBC are encouraged to join our Facebook group so that you can participate with us.
- ANY person entering the CLC/daycare spaces, during daycare hours, will have their temperature checked at the door.
- The Food Pantry remains open during normal hours as a drive-thru operation: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9-11 a.m. and Tuesday evenings from 4:30-6 p.m.
- The church office will remain closed for the time being.

Where to find FBC online

- fbcbloom.org
- youtube.com/fbcbloomfield
- facebook.com/groups/fbcbloom

One Great Hour of Sharing - Coronavirus

To help American Baptist Home Mission Society assist those affected by COVID-19 across the United States and Puerto Rico through One Great Hour of Sharing, you may make checks out to First Baptist Church with "OGHS-COVID Recovery" on the memo line. One hundred percent of donations go to relief efforts; no dollars are retained for administrative costs.

Bless Bloomfield

A grant received by Bless Bloomfield will be used to feed children in the Bloomfield School District for the next six weeks. Our Fellowship Hall will be the hub for sorting and packing the boxes. Families will pick up their boxes each Friday at the High School Cafeteria.

Each Monday, Mike Toon will be using the grant money to purchase the food needed for the coming week. He will deliver the supplies to our Fellowship Hall.

Volunteers from several churches will be packing each week and transporting the boxes to the high school for distribution. Our First Baptist Church Family has been scheduled to pack the boxes on July 29 at 6:30 p.m. I will be asking for volunteers later in the month.

The boxes used for packing are flat and must be assembled with tape. Steve and I volunteered to get the boxes put together each week. We also need help getting the food unpacked and put on tables. We will meet in Fellowship Hall on Tuesday mornings at 10:30. If you can help, please text or call me at 812-227-0117.

All CDC guidelines will be followed by everyone involved in this ministry.

God Bless You,
Cheri Campbell Graf

Church Camp

The camp directors and leadership teams have made the difficult decision to suspend all summer camps for 2020. You are encouraged to complete your registration as normal so that you may access online camp resources. All campers/caregivers who have made a payment already will be offered a full refund.

BLESSING BOX NEEDS

Our Blessing Box is in need of summertime hygiene items: sunscreen, aloe, first aid cream, bandaids, wipes and insect repellent. Of course, any other hygiene or cleaning items are still in demand. Grab and go snack items are appreciated as well. Since our Sunday morning services are still small in number, donations can be made through checks sent to the church or through on-line giving at [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly). If you have any questions about our mission, call Cheri Campbell Graf @ 812-227-0117

A Look at Last Week

(On-line giving is available here: [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly))

Sunday Morning Worship Service 45

Livestream Views Sunday Morning Worship Service..... 91

Last Week's Giving

General Fund..... \$3,597.00

Year to Date Giving

Income \$121,107.49

Budget Requirements..... \$129,004.46

Net Income vs. Budget ***\$(-7,896.97)***

Regathering Guidance – First Baptist Church of Bloomfield

This temporary guidance applies beginning Sunday, June 14, 2020.

Questions to consider before gathering in-person for worship with us:

- Do I have symptoms consistent with COVID-19, or any other symptoms which might make people around me uncomfortable given the circumstances?
- Am I in a high-risk group due to age or medical condition?
- Do I have regular interaction with someone else who is in a high-risk group?
- Will I be bringing children who may be unable to abide by the guidance below?
- Have I been directly, recently exposed to anyone demonstrating symptoms consistent with COVID-19?
- Does my current work situation put me at particular risk for spreading illness from church to work or vice versa?
- **If your answer is, “yes,” to any of the above, we ask you to participate through our online livestream at:**
youtube.com/fbcbloomfield

Guidance for those gathering to worship, in-person:

- Please wear a face covering for worship as a gift of love and consideration to those around you.
 - We are asking this of all persons over the age of 5.
 - A limited number of masks will be available at the church. If you don't already have one, you may take one and keep it for your own personal use.
 - The only persons not wearing face coverings will be persons on the platform and *only while they are in the process of songleading, reading, or preaching*. At all other times, they are also asked to wear masks.
- Please observe social distancing when possible and seek to keep in-person conversations outside the building.

How seating will work:

- Doors to the church and sanctuary will be propped open **beginning at 10:15 a.m. and again immediately after services** for your convenience and to reduce physical contact.
- Please go directly to your seats once you enter the building.
- Seating will be limited to the 2nd, 4th, and 6th rows of pews in each section.
 - *Please leave six feet between your household (or extended family) and the next household on the pew.*
- The congregation will be dismissed row-by-row at the end of each service. Please do not linger indoors.
- Offering boxes will be available in the narthex but will not be passed during the service.

What's open, what's closed on Sunday mornings:

- Exterior doors upstairs by the sanctuary will be open.
- The lower level of the church, including exterior doors, will be closed.
- The CLC will be closed.
- The upstairs restrooms and sanctuary will be open.
- The narthex area will be open for passing through but closed to gatherings; no food or drinks will be available.
- The nursery rooms will be closed to children playing but open if you need to change a diaper or nurse a baby.

- There will be no formal children's activities – Sunday school, nursery, children's worship – for now.
- All classrooms, for now, will be closed. *The deacons will discuss a regathering plan for Sunday school classes at our July 3 deacons meeting.*
- The sanctuary will be closed during the week to allow for surfaces to be cleaned and remain clean.

Thank you for prayerfully considering your own risk and for your willingness to abide by this guidance. We are trying to do what we can to make the most number of people most safe and most comfortable to regather for worship at FBC. While we do not know how long this pandemic will last, these restrictions are intended to be temporary only.

Grace and peace,

Your FBC Deacons, Moderator, Assistant Moderator, and Pastor

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.

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## *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.