

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor

April 8, 2018 ~ 10:45 a.m.

Welcome/Invocation/Lord's Prayer		Jason Nicholson
Hymns	<i>"I Love to Tell the Story"</i>	#444
	<i>"Rescue the Perishing"</i>	#441
	<i>"Freely, Freely"</i>	#436
Offering		
Doxology*		#815
Morning Prayer		
Special Music	<i>"Even If"</i>	Jason Nicholson
Scripture Reading		Acts 9:1-8; 13:1-4
Message	<i>"It's Personal"</i>	Kyle Witmer
Closing Hymn*	<i>"So Send I You"</i>	#440
Benediction*		
Postlude*		

** You are invited to stand if able*

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

This Week's Calendar

Today 8:30 a.m.....Fellowship Breakfast
April 8 9:00 a.m..... Kingdom Kids
 9:30 a.m..... Sunday School
 10:30 a.m..... Prayer in Nathan's office
 10:45 a.m..... Morning Worship

Monday 6:30 p.m..... Choir Practice
April 9

Tuesday 6:00 p.m.....Cottage Prayer Group
April 10

Wednesday 9:00am.....Bible Study
April 11

Thursday 6:30 p.m..... Deacons
April 12

Next Week's Scripture

Rev 5:9-10; 7:9-10; 14:6

Birthdays this week

April 9 Brad Hughes

April 11 Shannon & Ethan Dean

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*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.*  
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## Next Week's Volunteers – April 15

Prayer ..... Paul Stewart  
 Sound System.....  
 Children's Worship..... Sandy Clark  
 Nursery..... Marlen Flynn / Mary Kent

## April Volunteers

Deacon of the Month ..... Jason Nicholson  
 Trustee of the Month..... Bert Terrell  
 Usher of the Month ..... Janet Brown  
 Greeters ..... John & Mary Bailey

***If you are unable to work on your scheduled week,  
 PLEASE find someone to take your place!***

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*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 ..... 71  
 Morning Worship Service..... 161

**Last Week's Giving**

General Fund..... \$9,240.54  
 Kelsey Moody Scholarship Fund ..... \$30.00  
 Food Pantry ..... \$2,000.00  
 Decorations ..... \$100.00

**Year to Date Giving**

Income ..... \$74,968.73  
 Budget Requirement..... \$64,041.64  
 Net Income..... \$10,927.09



# **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.



## **Poverty Simulation – April 11**

Martin County Community Foundation is sponsoring a Poverty Simulation on Wednesday, April 11, in Loogootee, from 11:30 to 1:30. A Poverty Simulation involves 50-85 individuals who are assembled into “family units” and must for their family for 15-minute “weeks” on limited resources. The goal is to increase empathy and understanding of those facing poverty. If you are interested in going, please RSVP to Nathan by Thursday, March 29. I’ll connect with those who can go about carpool location and time.

## **“Neighboring” Luncheon – April 22**

Immediately following the morning worship service on April 22, we will have a pot luck meal order to discuss our initiative on Neighboring and the questions that have been in the bulletin for the past recent Sundays. This meal will be a great way to get ideas from the congregation on our efforts.

Also, a cake will be provided in recognition of Tammy Kirkman’s many years of service as Bright Beginnings director.

We are asking each family to bring a main dish and a side for the pot luck; a desert will work as well. The social committee is providing drinks.

Visitors and those who have been worshipping with us recently are highly encouraged to attend as we welcome your perspective.

FBC Deacons

## **Sunday Morning Refreshments**

Thank you to everyone who has graciously brought snacks for the Sunday morning fellowship time in the narthex. I would like to invite others to sign up. The sheet is on the table by the coffee area. Thanks in advance for your generosity. If you have any questions, please see Kathy Ham.

## **For “Sale”**

The computer hutch in the church office is being offered up (for free) to anyone in the congregation who wants it. It is first come first served so just let Brenda Nichols know if you want it and when you want to pick it up.

## **Bright Beginnings Job Opening**

The Bright Beginnings Board is seeking a new Daycare Director. This person will need to have, or be willing to earn either a CDA (Child Development Associate), a degree in Early Childhood Education or an Administrator's Training Certificate. The person must also be a Christian as this is a Christian daycare. If the person hired does not currently have one of these, they will have three years to get a CDA completed. Resumes may be forwarded to the church office.

## **Do You Like To Decorate?**

We are in need of people to decorate the sanctuary, rotating on a monthly basis. Would you be interested in trying this ministry for a month? If so, please see Nancy Brinson or Pastor Nathan.

## **Bright Beginnings Flower Fundraiser**

We are once again selling potted annuals and hanging baskets and tubs and combo pots. Order forms are on the library counter. Money and forms are due to Ms. Shirley by April 16. You may leave your orders on the church secretary's desk. Flowers will be here on May 8 just in time for Mother's Day! Please make checks out to Bright Beginnings Daycare. If you have any questions you may call Ms. Shirley at 812-384-0400 x12. Thank you for supporting this daycare ministry.

## **Ladies Bible Study to Begin May 29**

Ladies, it's time to sign up for summer Bible study! This summer, we will be working through a study by Liz Brooks called Seizing Hope. It will run Tuesday evenings at 6:30 from May 29-July17. It is comprised of both teaching sessions and homework reflections over a seven week period. Please let Liz know by May 6th if you would like to participate so that a book can be ordered for you. The price is TBD (in the range of \$15) and will be due at the start of the study.