

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor
December 8, 2019
10:45 a.m.



Welcome/Announcements/Lord’s Prayer		Deacon Kathy Ham
Lighting of the Advent Candle: Peace		The Malone Family
Hymns	“O Come, All Ye Faithful”	#249
	“Love Has Come!”	#256
	“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”	#258
Offering		
Doxology*		#815
Morning Prayer		
Anthem	“Carol Sing”	Sanctuary Choir
Scripture Reading		Isaiah 55:10-13
Hymn	“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” (v. 2)	#245
Message	“Disperse the Gloomy Clouds”	Nathan Brooks
Closing Hymn*	“It Came Upon the Midnight Clear”	#251
Benediction* / Postlude*		

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*\*You are invited to stand if able*

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

*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.*

## This Week's Calendar

**Today**                      8:30 a.m..... Handbells  
*December 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  
                                   6:00 p.m..... Cantata

**Wednesday**            9:00 a.m..... No Bible Study (*on hiatus until January*)  
*December 11*

**Thursday**                6:30 p.m..... Church Council  
*December 12*

**Friday**                    9:00 a.m..... White Christmas Box Assembly (In the FH)  
*December 13*

**Saturday**                9-11 a.m..... White Christmas Box Distribution  
*December 14*

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Scripture Reading Next Week

Isaiah 11:1-9
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***Birthdays this Week***

December 11    Carolyn Sullivan  
 December 12    Lois Kirchoff  
 December 13    Betty Dean  
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FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

The food pantry is in need of spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, ramen noodles, cream of mushroom soup and cream of chicken soup.

BLESSING BOX NEEDS

Please place non-perishable food; paper goods; toiletries; and baby items in the tote by the Library Counter

Next Week's Volunteers – December 15

Prayer	Jennifer Moody
Sound System	TBD
Children's Worship	No Children's Worship
Nursery	Open but unstaffed

December Volunteers

Deacon of the Month	Kathy Ham
Trustee of the Month	Bert Terrell
Usher of the Month	Casey Rice
Greeters	Rex & Lois Kirchoff

***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, [fbcbloom.org](http://fbcbloom.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 .....           | 59  |
| Morning Worship Service ..... | 122 |

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

|                       |            |
|-----------------------|------------|
| General Fund .....    | \$6,323.01 |
| White Christmas ..... | \$165.00   |
| Food Pantry .....     | \$301.00   |

### **Year to Date Giving**

|                             |                |
|-----------------------------|----------------|
| Income .....                | \$225,720.45   |
| Budget Requirements .....   | \$242,388.96   |
| Net Income vs. Budget ..... | \$(-16,668.51) |





*Welcome to worship! If you are a first-time guest, we have a small gift for you; please just ask. We invite all worshipers to sign the black book to help us better minister to you. If you'd like a prayer request announced, please use an orange card from your pew and place it in the offering plate. Guests, your presence is a gift to us; please feel no pressure to participate in the offering.*

**NEW prayer requests mentioned last week**

Scott Allen

Paul Stewart

Carolyn Burgess

Riley Osmond (*Cheri Graf*)

Charles & Mary Jane Parker

Blanche Terry (*Sister of Pauline Auxier*)

Deana Handcock (*Sister of Carolyn Burgess*)

The family of Mark Smith (*Tooger Smith's son*)

The family of Ella Jerrells (*Earl White's sister*)

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*If you have a request for the prayer chain, please call  
Kathy Ham (863-7702), Eleanor Kingsley (384-8329)  
or the current Deacon of the Month.*

### ***Christmas Cantata***

Please plan to attend the First Baptist Church's annual Christmas Cantata tonight at 6:00 PM in the Sanctuary. The program will be in three parts, starting with classical string instrumental pieces featuring IU Jacobs School of Music students. That will be followed by a set from the Kingdom Kids Choir. Then, the Adult Choir will present the cantata, "Home Sweet Christmas". There will be a reception immediately following in the Fellowship Hall. Invite your friends and family and come join us as we celebrate Christ's birth through music!

### ***Christmas Poinsettias***

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia please fill out an order form (located on the library counter) and leave it, along with your payment, on the secretary's desk. The poinsettias are \$8.75 each and may be taken home following the Christmas Eve service.

### ***Upcoming "Missions Moment"***

On Sunday, December 15, Brian Patterson of Rebuilt Ministries will be sharing a "missions moment" with us during the morning worship service to tell us about Resurrecting Recovery Center, a ministry to persons suffering from addiction. Please prayerfully prepare for a love offering our deacons will be receiving at the end of the service that day, to support this valuable ministry in our community.

### ***Caroling Party – Sunday, December 22 @ 4:00***

Join us in the CLC at 4pm to form our annual Christmas Caroling teams. We'll enjoy spreading holiday cheer, then gather back at the church to enjoy soups and goodies to end the evening.

### ***Hoops for Him - 2020***

The 2020 Hoops for Him Basketball Program will run from January 25 through March 14. Session 1 for Preschool and Kindergarten age kids will be 9:00-10:00am, Session 2 for Grades 1-3 will be 10:00-11:30am, and Session 3 for Grades 4-6 will be 11:30am-1:00pm each Saturday. The season concludes with an Awards Ceremony on March 14th. Volunteers are needed every Saturday to lead each session, coach the kids, work the concession stand, and provide devotions. Sign-up sheets will be circulated in the Sunday School classes or you may contact Eric Moody (email [moodyes@yahoo.com](mailto:moodyes@yahoo.com) or text 812-227-0700) if you can help.