

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor

April 12, 2020

Facebook Livestreaming @ 10:40 a.m.

Scripture Reading

1 Peter 1:3-9

Message

"How the Grinch Stole Easter"

Nathan Brooks

Closing Hymn

"Because He Lives"
(Chorus Only)

(See lyrics below)

Benediction

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## **Because He Lives**

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Because He lives, I can face tomorrow;

Because He lives, all fear is gone.

Because I know He holds the future,

And life is worth the living just because He lives.

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Prayer Concerns for this week:

Robin, John, Anna, Stephen and kids; Anne; Maryann

FBC friends and family working in the medical field: (revised 04.08.2020):

Amanda, Annette, Auby, Brooklyn (pregnant), David, Dustin, Erin, Grant,

Jamie, Jennifer, Jessica, Jo, Jodie, Joe, Kala, Kevin, Kylee, Leslie, Lori,

Mariah, Megan, Miriam, Owen, Phil, Pregnant wife of RN who has COVID,

Rachel, Sarah, Scott, Tonya and Wally.

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## ***Birthdays this Week***

April 15      Adrienne Hughes

April 16      Carolyn Burgess

April 19      Laverne Rollison

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FBC sermons are available online. Visit our church website, 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.



COVID-19 UPDATE

Bright Beginnings Daycare is CLOSED until further notice.
Bright Beginnings Preschool is CLOSED as long as schools are closed.

The Food Pantry is OPEN normal hours as a drive-thru operation:
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9-11 a.m.; Tuesday 4:30-6 p.m.

All Sunday Morning Worship Services (10:40 a.m.); Wednesday Morning Bible Studies (9:00 a.m.); and Thursday morning Bright Beginnings Bible Story readings (8:30 a.m.) will be broadcasting at facebook.com/nathanbrooks1982 until further notice.

In-person gatherings are suspended. Archived sermon audio and video is available at fbcbloom.org.

The church office is closed until further notice. All calls and emails to the church are being forwarded to the church secretary at her home.
Please stay safe and let us know if you need anything.

A Look at Last Week

Livestream Views

Sunday Morning Worship Service	198
Wednesday Morning Bible Study	71
Thursday Morning Bright Beginnings Story Time	31

Last Week's Giving

General Fund	\$8,582.00
Food Pantry.....	\$150.00
Music Fund in memory of Charlotte Humerickhouse	\$25.00
Daycare Donations	\$3,050.00

Year to Date Giving

Income	\$60,156.54
Budget Requirements	\$69,463.94
Net Income vs. Budget.....	<i>\$(-9,307.40)</i>

CHANGES: Daycare Flower / Houseplant Fundraiser

Our flower fundraiser is still on! The order and payment date has been pushed back to Friday, May 15, 2020. The new pick-up date is Friday, May 22 from 2:00-6:00pm.

Church Camp Registration

Please visit the individual camp websites at www.camptippy.org or www.campindiancreek.com and register online. Please provide the church office a copy of the statement showing your part of the payment.

Vacation Bible School – July 26-30

ALL ABOARD the Rocky Railway! VBS this year will be railroad themed program that will get railroad enthusiasts and everyone excited about how Jesus pulls us through life's ups and downs. Plan to participate and spread the word to the children in the community. Stay tuned for more planning and organizational opportunities.

Youth Mission Trip

As of right now, the youth mission trip is still on...but that could change. Additional funds are still needed. Rather than hold more fundraisers, the idea was introduced that perhaps individuals would like to sponsor the youth. A person/family/group could donate and pray for a youth one-on-one. If the trip is cancelled all funds will stay in the youth mission trip fund for future opportunities. Our money is due on June 1 so pledges for sponsorship will be accepted at this time. Please see Debra Hudson.

BLESSING BOX NEEDS

Since we are not meeting in person at church, there is the option of monetary donations for Blessing Box purchases. Adrienne will let me know when there is money in our account and I will purchase needed items. "Blessing Box" is also one of the choices for our new online giving option.

Online Giving

We're excited to share that we've launched online giving at First Baptist Church through [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly), a safe and secure giving platform that allows you to give one-time or recurring gifts! You can get started by using one of the below options.

1. [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly) Giving App:

- Download the [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly) App from the [App Store](https://apps.apple.com) (iPhone) or [Google Play Store](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.tithely) (Android). Once you've downloaded the app, select your church and follow the same steps as above.
- Since this is your first time giving with [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly) you will be prompted to create an account that you can use for all future gifts.
- The first time you will also need to add your credit/debit card or ACH/banking info.
- Once your account has been created you won't need to enter your personal or payment information. Just enter your PIN and give!
- As a reminder, you have the ability to set your gift up as recurring.

2. Website Giving:

- Click on this link - https://tithe.ly/give_new/www/#/tithely/give-one-time/1400550 to give to the church through the [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly) website. It's a safe and easy way to give any time.

****** The link to [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly) is also available on the church website.

We are still checking the mail sent to the church on a regular basis. If you would rather send a physical check that way, please do not be concerned about it sitting in the mailbox for days at a time.

If you have any questions, please let us know! [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly) also has articles that you may find useful. Click [here](#) to read more.

Thank you for your generosity and partnering with us to build the kingdom.

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.