

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor December 13, 2020 10:30 a.m.

Prelude Andrew Sohn

Welcome/Announcements/Lord's Prayer Deacon Bob Weeks

Lighting of the 3rd Advent Candle: *Joy* Bill & Debra Hudson

Hymns *"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You"* #271

"Angels, from the Realms of Glory" (vv. 1,2&5) #259

Offering Invitation

Gloria Patri* #813

Morning Prayer Pastor Nathan

Special Music Andrew Sohn

Scripture Reading Isaiah 61:1-11

Message "The Favorable Year" Pastor Nathan

Closing Hymn* "Joy to the World" #270

Benediction* / Postlude*

Prayer Concerns for this week:

Ginger Stewart; James Parker; Carolyn Thompson; Joe McKnight; Brian, Deanna & Tobi Patterson; Rosetta Marsh; Marsha Lamson; Rick Hudson; Unity among Christians during this pandemic ** Peace, healing and justice in our nation **

This Week @ FBC

Today	9:30 a.m	Sunday School
December 13	10:40 a.m	Morning worship
Wednesday December 16	9:00 a.m	Bible Study

Birthdays this Week

Dec 13: Betty Dean Dec 17: Steve Clark
Dec 15: Lydia Hunter Tony Resler

Josie Hudson Dec 18: Virginia Hendrix
Dec 19: Shawn Hughes

Dillman Farm Orders Due Tomorrow: Forms are in the narthex.

Church Secretary on Vacation: Our secretary will be on vacation the week of 21-25 December. The office will be closed, but Pastor Nathan will be available by cell phone if needed.

FBC Christmas Caroling 2020

Instead of a large group event, we invite you to go Christmas caroling as a family unit this year. In the narthex are folded cards, color-coded by location, each of which has instructions and contact information for one household inside. You are invited to take as many cards as you like and carol at your convenience between now and Christmas. Songbooks are also available to borrow. *Please sing outside of homes in front of glass doors or windows to avoid spreading germs inside*. Thank you for participating!

Riley Hospital Donations in Memory of Caleb Schmidt

These donations will be transported to Riley by Jayklin (Graf) Claus on December 16. When you choose a gift, remember the patients range in age from infants and toddlers to teen-agers. Thank you for supporting Riley Hospital!

Cullison Family

Weston Cullison is a brave boy that has been on a 9-month journey fighting T Cell Leukemia. It is a 3-year treatment plan at Riley. His parents are Jessica and Shawn Cullison. Jessica Lehman grew up in First Baptist and has brought their three boys Hunter, Weston and Colton to church, VBS, and First Fridays. Jessica and her boys participate in the Scouting program here. A box will be in the Narthex this Sunday Dec 13th to Collect some tangible Blessings for the Cullison family. We are collecting notes of encouragement and prayers, gift cards, food cards, gas cards or cash donations. Cheri Graf will get them to Shawn.

Blessing Box Needs

Our Blessing Box ministry is in need of hygiene and cleaning items. We also try to stock diapers and wipes. Locally, the Dollar General and CVS have \$1 aisles for toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, dishwashing soap, laundry detergent etc. If it is more convenient for you, donations may also be made by check or through on-line giving at *Tithe.ly* Thank you for your prayers and support. Please call Cheri Graf (812-384-8980) with any questions.

A Look at Last Week

(Un-line giving is available here: <u>litthe.ly</u>)						
Sunday Morning Worship Service	.63					
Last Week's Giving						
General Fund\$5,2						
Food Pantry\$120	.00					
Food Pantry IMO Leola Worth\$85	.00					
Blessing Box\$110	.00					
White Christmas\$500	.00					
Year to Date Giving						
Income\$231,664	.41					
Budget Requirements\$243,123	.78					





Guidance for those gathering in-person at FBC:

- <u>Please</u> wear a face covering for worship as a gift of love to those around you. Exceptions include:
 - Children under age 5 in worship services.
 - Worship service leaders and Sunday school teachers only while leading/teaching.
 - o All children's SS classes while in SS classrooms.
 - o Outdoor gatherings.
- <u>Please</u> observe social distancing when possible and move conversations outdoors.
 - Sanctuary seating is every-other-row. Please allow six feet between families/households.
 - o No food or drink is available in the narthex.
- <u>Please do not</u> attend if you or someone in your immediate household has symptoms of COVID-19 or has recently tested positive.
- An offering box is available in the narthex but is not being passed during the service.

We encourage anyone who is unable to attend in-person to participate online:

- Links for live worship services are posted weekly at Facebook.com/groups/fbcbloom.
- Recorded worship services are available to the public at YouTube.com/fbcbloomfield

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.