

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor

September 20, 2020

10:30 a.m.

Prelude

Andrew Sohn

Welcome/Announcements/Lord's Prayer

Praise Singing

*"Shine, Jesus, Shine
"Just as I Am"*

Worship Team

Offering Invitation

Doxology*

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Morning Prayer

Special Music

"The Prayer"

Younkyung Kim

Scripture Reading

Psalm 73

Message

"I Almost Fell"

Mark Thompson

Closing Hymn*

"Little Is Much when God Is in It"

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Benediction* / Postlude*

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## *Prayer Concerns for this week:*

Rex Kirchoff

Tim Olsen

Doug Burcham

Jan Pittman

Donald Fiscus

Jeremy Derouin

Residents and Staff at Parkview Village

Unity among Christians during this pandemic

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

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This Week @ FBC

Today 9:30 a.m..... Sunday School
September 20 10:40 a.m..... Morning worship

Wednesday 9:00 a.m..... Bible Study
September 23

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### ***Birthdays this Week***

September 20 – Mike Henry  
September 21 – Alan Kirkman  
September 23 – Eleanor Kingsley  
September 25 – Oliver Foxworthy

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Food Pantry Needs Plastic Bags

The Food Pantry Really needs plastic shopping bags. The boxes we have been using are getting heavy for the workers and clients to maneuver. If you have any bags to donate, please leave them in the upstairs Narthex Coat Room and Georgia will collect them and move them to the Food Pantry. Thank you so much for your support in this matter.

FLC Quilt Auction On-Line

The Auctioneer is WB Auctioneer Service. The auction will be on their web site, their FB, our FB as a link, HiBid and Auction Zip. The Auctioneer is donating their services to the ministry. Proceeds will benefit family financial assistance fund.

September 18th is the last day to donate quilts to FLC.

(Any quilt donated after the 18th will roll into 2021 auction.)

September 21st: WB pick up quilts from FLC

September 22nd – 24th: Posting, advertising

October 9th – 10th: Quilt view days at FLC

October 12th: Auction ends

October 16th: Buyer Pick up @ FLC

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](https://tithe.ly) Thank you for your prayers and support. Please call Cheri Graf (812-384-8980) with any questions.

The Witmers in Thailand

Due to the high costs of publishing and mailing a newsletter, the Witmer family has made the difficult decision to stop hardcopy distribution. They will use email and social media for newsletter updates. If you would like to receive the email updates, please email them at witmer@internationalministries.org.

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.

A Look at Last Week

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

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Last Week's Giving

General Fund	\$4,725.00
Food Pantry	\$50.00
Blessing Box	\$50.00
Shelter House IMO Tammy Kirkman	\$500.00

Year to Date Giving

Income	\$175,088.63
Budget Requirements	\$183,583.27
Net Income vs. Budget.....	<i>\$(-8,494.64)</i>

The Return – Greene County

September 26th has been designated as the Global Day of Prayer and Repentance. All around the world groups of Christians will be gathering to reach out to those that have fallen away from their faith and those who don't yet know Christ. In America, thousands will be gathering in Washington DC on the mall of the Capital building. Also happening that day is Franklin Graham's Prayer Walk 2020 (also in Washington DC), which will lead to the program on the mall. As part of an effort to participate in these special events locally, there will be an outreach program beginning at the Bloomfield Park on that same day (Saturday the 26th) kicking off at 12 noon.

There will be a time of worship lead by guest speakers and everyone is invited to "pull up a chair" to join us! At 2 p.m., the Jericho Walk will take place around the courthouse as we walk and pray on the sidewalk around the square for God's guidance for our nation, our state, and our community. At 4 p.m., we will return to the park for a music celebration as musicians play and lead us in praise!

For more information, you can email me at carolynsburgess@yahoo.com for the local event. If you'd like information about the programs scheduled in Washington DC on September 26th, you can go to <https://thereturn.org/>.

Guidance for those gathering in-person at FBC:

- Please 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.
 - All children's SS classes while in SS classrooms.
 - Outdoor gatherings.
- Please observe social distancing when possible and move conversations outdoors.
 - Sanctuary seating is every-other-row. Please allow six feet between families/households.
 - No food or drink is available in the narthex.
- Please do not 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.
- The nursery rooms are only open for changing diapers and nursing.

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.