



# This Week's Calendar

**Today**                    8:00 a.m.....Handbell Practice  
*February 21*            9:30 a.m..... Sunday School  
                              10:30 a.m..... Prayer in Nathan's office  
                              10:40 a.m.....Morning Announcements  
                              10:45 a.m.....Morning Worship  
                              6:00 p.m..... Revive!

**Monday**                6:30 p.m..... Choir Practice  
*February 22*

**Tuesday**              6:00 p.m.....Cottage Prayer Group  
*February 23*

**Wednesday**        6:00 p.m..... FLAMES  
*February 24*

**Thursday**             6:30 p.m.....Church Council  
*February 25*

**Saturday**             8:00 a.m.....Lenten Breakfast @ Mineral UMC  
*February 27*

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### **Next Week's Scripture:**

Mark 14:1-43-52

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### **Birthdays this week:**

February 21    Sharon Terrell & Mark Flinn  
February 23    Sherry Weeks  
February 25    Gary Sullivan & Wesley Porter  
February 27    Paula Bartlett & Betty Miller

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***Nursery care is provided today by Laverne & Miriam Rollison***

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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.*

## Next Week's Volunteers – February 28

Sound System.....Eric Moody  
 Prayer.....Ginger Stewart  
 Nursery.....Mary & John Bailey  
 Children's Worship.....Janet Schmidt

### FEBRUARY Volunteers

Greeters ..... Laverne & Miriam Rollison  
 Usher of the Month ..... Debra Hudson  
 Deacon of the Month ..... Kathy Ham  
 Trustee of the Month..... Paul Stewart

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



*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..... 68  
 Morning Worship Service ..... 110

**Last Week's Giving**

General Fund..... \$5,231.00  
 Youth Fund..... \$833.00

**Year to Date Giving**

Income ..... \$35,730.24  
 Expenses ..... \$23,440.83  
 Net Income..... \$12,289.41



# **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.



*We invite you to sign the attendance register as it is passed your way and, if you are visiting with us for the first time, we have information for you regarding life at First Baptist.*

## **Prayer Concerns**

Friends and loved ones who need Christ  
Persecuted Christians around the world  
American Baptist Missionaries around the world  
For Peace on Earth– Psalm 46:9  
US Military personnel around the world  
The family of Betty Baker  
Steve Buccola and family  
Ellen Cassaday (*John Cummings' mother-in-law*)  
Kayla Clark (*Tammy Kirkman*)  
Nancy Covey  
Jason Dayhoff (*Becky Dayhoff*)  
Carl Dennis (*Sue Sanford*)  
Hilda Donner (*Virginia Hendrix's sister-in-law*)  
Mason Ellis (*Brad & Anne's grandson*)  
Charlie Farmer & Pam Schultz  
Josh & Liz Fields and family (*Kerrie Barnett's brother*)  
Charlotte Gabbard (*Joan Vaughn*)  
Jayklin Graf (*Steve & Cheri's granddaughter*)  
Krista Hudson (*Bob Holt's daughter*)  
John Lamson  
Leon Maners  
Walt Mattox (*Nancy Beall*)  
Gary Orman (*Kerrie Barnett's uncle*)  
Amanda Stemmler (*Cheri Graf*)  
Steve Petit (*Debra Hudson's cousin*)  
Zack Rodgers (*Robin & John Lamson*)  
Terri Sullivan (*Betty Sullivan*)  
Rev. Carl Williams (*Cheri Graf*)

## **Ski Trip - February 24**

The Youth Group will be making our annual trek down to Paoli. We need a group of 15, so feel free to join us! The cost is \$15 plus money for dinner. We will leave at 3pm, and be home around 10pm. Please let Tasha know by February 17th if you are going.

## **Sunday Night Revive Service**

We will begin a study on Encouragement on Sunday, Feb. 21 at 6pm in the Sanctuary. Do you feel like you could use more encouragement in your life? Could you use some help in being a better encourager to others? As we focus on relationships this year, we think this 6 week study will benefit us, and hopefully benefit others around us, as we learn to become people who build others up. This practical training will have some video input, Bible study, examples, discussion time and hands-on practice. God has given every Christian an enormous privilege and gift: the power to speak His life-changing Word, hope, and strength to others around us. Won't you join in?

## **Special Music**

FBC offers the opportunity for our musicians to share their talents with music that adds to meaningful worship. During the autumn, winter and spring we offer this opportunity twice a month, normally on the 2nd and 4th Sundays, alternating with the Choir. If you would like to participate you can sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the Choir room or let either Younkyung or Steve Clark know.

## **Prayer Chain Updates**

One of the ministries that First Baptist Church offers is the Prayer Chain. If you would like to participate, you can be added to one of the groups and receive a call when the Prayer Chain is activated. If you are currently on the Prayer Chain and would like to no longer receive a phone call, your name can be removed. You can also participate by being a Group Leader. Please let Steve Clark know of your interest or any changes concerning the Prayer Chain. If you would prefer to receive prayer requests and church updates via email, please send an email to [secretary@fbcbloom.org](mailto:secretary@fbcbloom.org) and Brenda will add you to the church emailing list.

## **Church Library Updates**

This past December we had a donation to the library fund, specifying we should purchase subscriptions to Focus on the Family's magazines for children: Clubhouse (ages 8-12) and Clubhouse Jr. (ages 4-8). Also, we are starting a new practice to purchase titles that Pastor Nathan Brooks mentions in his sermons. The library donation covered these following books from the past year, books that have helped Nathan teach on prayer, understanding the beliefs we claim as Christians, and how to reach out to others in our circle of influence. These new items are on display on the outside counter of the church library.

- Prayer: Finding the Heart's True Home by Richard J. Foster
- How To Pray by E. Stanley Jones
- Psalms: The Prayer Book of the Bible by Dietrich Bonhoeffer
- Quiet Talks on Prayer by S. D. Gordon
- Fresh Wind, Fresh Fire: What Happens When God's Spirit Invades the Hearts of His People by Jim Cymbala and Dean Merrill
- Hell: A Final Word by Edward W. Fudge
- Erasing Hell: What God Said About Eternity, and the Things We've Made Up by Francis Chan
- The Art of Neighboring: Building Genuine Relationships Right Outside Your Door by Jay Pathak
- Toxic Charity: How Churches and Charities Hurt Those They Help (and How to Reverse it) by Robert D. Lupton

How do you check out materials from the church library? There is a blue card inside the cover. Please write your name on that card, the date, and leave the card in the little wooden tray on the library counter. When you return the book, take out that blue card, put it back in the book, and put the book back where you found it! We'd like to remind you we have family friendly films available too. The DVDs have their own checkout box, where you can find the title alphabetically.