

# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

*Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor*

March 21, 2021

10:30 a.m.

**Prelude**

Andrew Sohn

**Welcome/Announcements/Lord's Prayer**

Deacon Charles Porter

**Hymns**

*"Bless His Holy Name"*

#55

*"Grace Greater than Our Sin"*

#344

**Offering Invitation**

**Doxology\***

**Morning Prayer**

**Special Music**

**Scripture Reading**

Hebrews 8:6-12

**Message**

*"Written Upon Your Heart"*

Rev. Jim Walter

**Closing Hymn\***

*"I Gave My Life for Thee"*

#675

**Benediction\* / Postlude\***

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## ***Prayer Concerns for this week:***

Mike Toon; The family of Miriam Rollison

Unity among Christians during this pandemic

Prayers for our new President, the administration, and our country in a peaceful transition

Peace, healing and justice in our nation

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### ***This Week @ FBC***

**Today**                    9:30 a.m..... Sunday School  
*March 21*                10:40 a.m..... Morning worship

**Monday**                10:00 a.m..... Cottage Prayer Group  
*March 22*

**Wednesday**        9:00 a.m..... Bible Study  
*March 24*

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

March 22: Ivy Foxworthy; March 23: Kris Lanz; Chris Wilson  
March 25: Sophy Groomer; March 26: Doug Frye

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### ***COVID-19 Vaccine***

COVID-19 vaccinations are being hosted by our church. The Greene County Health Department will be administering the vaccinations in the Fellowship Hall. We can expect the Fellowship Hall to be occupied for several weeks. The vaccine is currently available to Hoosiers who are **50 years of age or older**. If you need to schedule an appointment, you or a representative may call 2-1-1 or visit [ourshot.in.gov](http://ourshot.in.gov). Please call the Greene County Health Department @ 812-384-4496 with any questions.

### ***You Asked for It, Round 4***

This summer Pastor Nathan will again be preparing a sermon series inspired by your requests. If you have a Bible or theology question or would like to hear a biblical sermon regarding a particular topic, passage, or character, please submit your ideas to Nathan before April 30. You can offer suggestions in-person or by emailing [pastor@fbcbloom.org](mailto:pastor@fbcbloom.org) or calling/texting 812-381-4189.

### ***Disaster Relief***

American Baptists can show support for those impacted by extreme winter weather in Oklahoma, Texas, and Louisiana by making donations to One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS). Donations to OGHS can be made via a check to First Baptist Church. Please write "OGHS-Cold Wave Disaster Relief" on the memo line of your check.

### ***Blessing Box Needs***

As we transition to colder temperatures, new or “gently used” hats, gloves, scarfs, or small throws are a welcome addition to our Blessing Box. Baby, hygiene and cleaning supplies are still in great demand. Please add one or more of these items to your shopping list and leave in the tote by the library counter. For convenience, donations can also be made by check or on line giving at [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly). Your prayers and support of this ministry are greatly appreciated. Please contact Cheri Graf (812-384-8980) with questions or suggestions.

### ***Guidance for those gathering in-person at FBC:***

- Beginning on Easter Sunday, April 4, the center two seating sections will be fully open unless there is a significant rise in COVID-19 cases locally in the meantime. In those sections we ask you to do your best to maintain social distance when possible. The outer two seating sections will remain every-other-pew only, to ensure adequate social distancing for those for whom it is most important.
- After governor Holcomb lifts the statewide mask mandate, we will issue revised guidance regarding our request for mask-wearing inside the building.

### **A Look at Last Week**

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

**Sunday Morning Worship Service** ..... 74

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

General Fund ..... \$7,007.00

Food Pantry ..... \$150.00

#### **Year to Date Giving**

Income (undesignated giving) ..... \$57,172.82

Budget Requirements ..... \$54,296.33

Net Income vs. Budget ..... \$2,876.49

# 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.*

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## 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.