

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor

August 23, 2020

10:30 a.m.

Prelude

Andrew Sohn

Welcome/Announcements/Lord's Prayer

Hymns

"Come Christians, Join to Sing"

#225

"Lamb of God"

#302

Offering Invitation

Gloria Patri*

#812

Morning Prayer

Special Music

Scripture Reading

Titus 2:1-10

Message

"Gospel PR"

Pastor Nathan

Closing Hymn*

"Instruments of Peace"

#637

Benediction* / Postlude*

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

The family of Ed P. (*Pastor Nathan's Uncle*)

The family of Cathy E. (*Niece to Kay Allen & Miriam Rollison*)

Donte (*friend of Mary Puntney*)

Josie H. (*Baptized last week*)

Mental health

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

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Birthdays this Week

August 25 – Braden Hudson

This Week @ FBC

- Today, August 23: Sunday School @ 9:30; Morning Worship @ 10:40
- Wednesday, August 26: Bible Study @ 9:00

Updated 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](https://www.facebook.com/groups/fbcbloom).
- Recorded worship services are available to the public at [YouTube.com/fbcbloomfield](https://www.youtube.com/fbcbloomfield).

Sunday school classes resumed on August 9, with the exception of the Adult Bible Study class which will start on August 30th.

Deacon Nominations

The Deacons are requesting that each of you prayerfully consider whom you would recommend for the Deacon positions and the alternate to be filled for the next three years.

The individuals selected will join the current Deacons who still have a year or more of their three-year term remaining: Kathy Ham, Bill Hudson, Randy Flanagin and Jeff Hughes.

Brad Ellis and Bob Weeks will end their three year terms in December and are not eligible to fill the vacancies.

Your recommendation should include individuals that you believe to be mature Christians with a heart for God, upstanding in our community, with good people skills and interested in the Spiritual health of our Church Body. Please review the Church Handbook to understand the specific Deacon duties and pray for guidance.

To submit your nominations, please contact Kathy Ham via text, email or phone with the names by August 31.

Please note: nominees for Deacons must be members of First Baptist Bloomfield. Thank you.

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.

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://www.tithe.ly) Thank you for your prayers and support. Any questions call Cheri Graf 812-384-8980

Thank You

Dear Church Family,

I would like to thank you all for the well-wishes and gifts that you have given me for graduation, such as the scholarship gift that you awarded me along with the Bible and blanket. It has been a huge blessing to me to have had your support in both growing up, and in this next step in my life; as well as the roll that you have all played in helping me grow in my relationship with Christ.

Sincerely,
Alex Malone

Brad Ellis wishes to thank the church family for your cards, phone calls, and prayers during this difficult time, and also for your especially generous donations to the food pantry of more than \$2000 in Anne's honor. Bless you all!

A Look at Last Week

(On-line giving is available here: Tithe.ly)

Sunday Morning Worship Service..... 82

Last Week’s Giving

General Fund \$4,491.27
Food Pantry \$70.00
Music Fund IMO Charlotte Humerickhouse \$50.00

Year to Date Giving

Income.....\$155,767.13
Budget Requirements.....\$163,736.43
Net Income vs. Budget\$(-7,969.30)

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.