FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor March 28, 2021 10:30 a.m.

Palm Sunday

(Children should meet Liz Brooks in the choir room hallway to pick up their palm branches before entering.)

Prelude Andrew Sohn

Welcome/Announcements/Lord's Prayer Deacon Cheri Campbell

Hymns "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" #297

"Hosanna" #296

Offering Invitation

Doxology*

Morning Prayer

Special Music "Be Not Afraid" Bill Hudson

Scripture Reading 2 Kings 6:8-23

Message "Lord of the Eyes" Nathan Brooks

Closing Hymn* "Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus" #340

Benediction* / Postlude*

Prayer Concerns for this week:

Carolyn Burgess; Pam Farmer
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

Birthdays this Week

March 31: Joan Vaughn & Aden Romans
April 1: Barb Stoner

April 3: Kelsey Moody & Jeffrie Porter

This Week @ FBC

Today March 28		Sunday SchoolMorning worship
Monday <i>March 29</i>	10:00 a.m	Cottage Prayer Group
Wednesday March 31		Bible Study Deacons
Thursday April 1	7:00 p.m	Maundy Thursday Service
Friday April 2	7:00 p.m	Good Friday Service @ 1 st Presbyterian Church
NEXT SUNDAY	7:00 a.m	EASTER Sunrise Service @ Bloomfield United Methodist

Thank You

Thank you for all of the prayers, cards and calls at the passing of my sister. They were much appreciated. I love you all. - Marlen Flynn

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 40 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. 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 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. 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: <u>Tithe.ly</u>)	
Sunday Morning Worship Service63	
Last Week's GivingGeneral Fund\$3,029.00Blessing Box\$50.00	
Year to Date Giving	
Income (undesignated giving)\$60,201.82	
Budget Requirements\$59,232.36	
Net Income vs. Budget\$969.46	

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.