



# Sunday, December 19, 2021

10:30 a.m.

Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor

Prelude Andrew Sohn

Welcome/Announcements/Lord's Prayer Deacon Bill Hudson

Lighting of the Advent Candle: LOVE The Terrell Family

Hymns	<i>"Angels from the Realms of Glory"</i>	#259
	<i>"The First Noel"</i>	#265
	<i>"Love Has Come"</i>	#256

Offering Blessing

Gloria Patri\* (*words on screen*)

Morning Prayer

Special Music *"Mary Did You Know"* The Moody Family

Scripture Reading Luke 2:36-38

Message *"A Weary World Rejoices"* Nathan Brooks

Closing Hymn\* *"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"* #245

Benediction\* / Postlude\*



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

The family of Colten Whelchel; The family of Tony Fuller  
 Open Arms Ministries  
 Peace, healing and justice in our nation



### ***Prayer Request Cards***

If you have a request for which you would like prayer during worship, please fill out one of the Prayer Request cards and give it to one of the deacons, or Pastor Nathan. Cards are located on the table in the Narthex.

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***This Week @ FBC***

**Today** 9:30 a.m..... Sunday School  
*December 19* 10:40 a.m..... Morning Worship  
4:00 p.m..... Caroling Party

**Monday** 7:00 p.m..... Choir Practice  
*December 20*

**Friday** 6:30 p.m..... Christmas Eve Service  
*December 24*

**Thursday/Friday** Church office closed.  
*December 23/24*

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***Birthdays this Week***

December 19: Shawn Hughes  
December 20: Paul Stewart  
December 22: Brandt Hudson

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***Caroling Party – Tonight***

We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 4:00. From there we will split into groups and head out to spread Christmas cheer. We will end the night with food and fellowship back in the Fellowship Hall.

***Hoops for Him – 2022***

Hoops for Him will be returning in 2022! Mark your calendars each Saturday starting January 22nd and ending March 12th, 2022. Any child age 4 through the 6th grade may participate in this program that teaches basic basketball skills and the love of Christ. Online Registrations will be available after Christmas via our Facebook page. Contact Eric Moody today if you are willing to help plan out the season. Many volunteers are needed to coach, lead devotions, and work the concession stand each Saturday.

## ***Leadership Retreat – January 8***

Our almost-annual FBC Leadership Retreat will be Saturday, January 8, at the church from 9am-2pm, with lunch provided. Church Council, Deacons, Trustees, Bright Beginnings Board, and at least one representative from all church boards, teams, and committees are encouraged to attend. Our focus will be on praying and planning for the year ahead. In case of inclement weather, our backup date is January 15.

## ***Year-End Giving Statements Alert:***

Your 2021 giving statements will look different since we have switched to Tithe.ly reporting. Please contact me if you have any questions. Thank you.

Barbara Frye, Financial Secretary

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

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

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

General Fund.....	\$4,993.97
Food Pantry .....	\$2,050.00
Picnic Tables.....	\$900.00

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

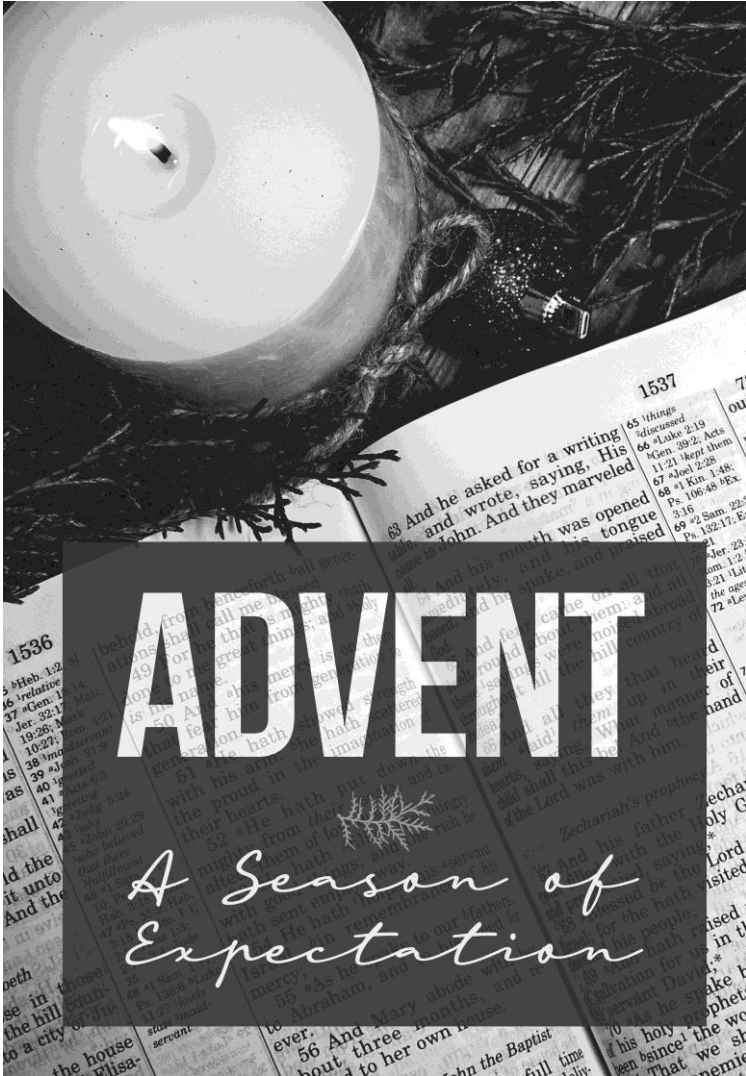
Income (undesignated giving) .....	\$239,948.39
Budget Requirements.....	\$246,801.50
Net Income vs. Budget .....	<b><i>\$(6,853.11)</i></b>

## ***Tithes and Offerings***

We have three simple options for giving tithes and offerings:

1. Give online at [fcbloom.org](https://fcbloom.org).
2. Mail a check to the church at 500 Lincoln Drive.
3. Place tithes in the Giving Box in the Narthex.

# First Baptist Church Bloomfield



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## **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.