fírst Baptist Church Bloomfield





Sunday, July 31, 2022

10:30 a.m. Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements/Lord's Prayer Deacon Bill Hudson

VBS Song "Awesome God" VBS Kids and Staff

Praise Singing "Mighty to Save" Worship Team

"My Savior, My God"

"Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone"

Offering

Doxology

Morning Prayer

Special Music

Scripture Proverbs 2:7-22

Message "Great Saves" Nathan Brooks

Closing Hymn "Our Great Savior" #17

(vv. 1, 3, 4)

Benediction Pastor Nathan

Postlude Andrew Sohn

Prayer Concerns for this week:

Louis Kavanaugh Jr.; Melissa Toon

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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Today	9:30 a.m	Sunday School
July 31	10:40 a.m	Morning Worship
Tuesday August 2	6:30 p.m	Trustees
Wednesday August 3	9:00 a.m	Bible Study
Thursday August 4	6:30 p.m	

Birthdays this Week

August 4: Mary Putney August 7: Bert Terrell

Dear Church Family

I would like to invite you all to attend my Eagle Scout Court of Honor on Sunday, August 7 from 6:30 - 8:00 in the CLC. This accomplishment would not have been possible without all of the support I have received from you all during my time in scouting, and I am very happy to celebrate the achievement with you all. Please RSVP to Heather with a call or text to 937-645-5483 by August 4st. Thanks so much! - Aiden

Congregational Meeting on August 11

There will be a vote at the next Congregational meeting to change the wording in the Personnel, Policies, and Procedures Handbook that describes the position of Director of the Bright Beginnings Daycare Ministry of the First Baptist Church Bloomfield. We will strike the phrase "This is a salaried position." Due to a change in the State's minimum requirement for salaries to qualify as exempt for overtime pay, the Director's position is now hourly. This allows us to accurately track the overtime we'll be required to pay. We will add the wording "The record of hours worked will be submitted weekly to the Bookkeeper." These changes will take place under 1.4.6 Bright Beginnings Daycare Director.

Pool Party – August 13

FBC youth (grades 6-12) and friends are invited to a pool party on Saturday, August 13, from 4-7 p.m. at Brenda and Randy Flanagin's home, 588 E. Antioch Rd., Bloomfield. Come join us!

You are invited to a 50th Wedding Anniversary Party

In honor of John and Mary Bailey scheduled for 5:00 PM Saturday, August 27th, 2022 (dinner provided) at the Bloomfield First Baptist Church (CLC) hosted by our children. If planning to attend, please RSVP by August 15th (include number attending) by calling/texting our daughter, Ashley Neill. Please, no gifts. Cards are welcomed.

Life's Third Tri

Are you a seasoned woman desiring to enhance your relationship with your grown children and with God? If you want to thrive during the empty nest decades, you are invited to participate in an 8-week series based on the book Life's Third Tri: Wisdom for Mystified Mothers Who Love Adult Children. The author, Charlotte Melcher Smith, Ph. D., will be leading women on a quest to navigate the empty-nest years. All women are welcome, so invite some friends. The book is available on Amazon or can be purchased on the day of the classes. Meeting time: 10:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. on Wednesday mornings, beginning the first Wednesday in August. Join us in the Bloomfield First Baptist Church sanctuary on Wednesdays, beginning August 3.

A Look at Last Week

(On-line giving is available here: <u>Tithe.ly</u> or at www.fbcbloom.org)

Last Week's Giving

General Fund	\$3,757.00
Food Pantry	\$430.00
Vacation Bible School	\$25.00

Year to Date Giving

Income (undesignated giving)	\$144,227.72
Budget Requirements	\$153,341.40
Net Income vs. Budget	\$(-9.113.68)

Dear FBC Family,

We were informed on July 26 that after 18 years of faithful service, our FBC Secretary, Brenda Nichols, has accepted the position of Nurse's Assistant and Deputy Treasurer with the Bloomfield School District, starting on August 1, 2022. Her last day in the FBC office was Friday, July 29. She will continue to do the bulletin and food pantry records in the interim on a part-time basis.

We are looking for volunteers that would be interested in preparing the bulletin and slide show as well as volunteers to answer the phones in the church office on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. If you are interested in serving in any of these capacities, please contact Steve Clark, Assistant Moderator, at 812-381-2889, or Pastor Nathan at 812-381-4189. Moderator John Bailey will work with the Church Council according to protocol for filling the permanent position at a later date.

We appreciate your prayers for the transition process and we wish Brenda well in her new job at BSD.

Grace and peace,

John Bailey, Moderator Steve Clark, Assistant Moderator Nathan Brooks, Pastor

Dear Friends,

When I was hired here in 2004, I never could have imagined the things that would take place over the next 18 years. Now, as I look back over those years, I can see God's hand at work, and why he brought me here. After waiting and trying for 14 years, God blessed us with two amazing children born in August 2010 and January 2012. Working here allowed me to have them close by, in Bright Beginnings Daycare, knowing full well that Ms. Tammy would love them as her own and teach them about God's love. Then they were able to attend Bright Beginnings Preschool with Mrs. Farmer and Ms. Katie where, again, they were loved and nurtured. They learned so much and were well prepared for kindergarten.

From the day our children were born, my dream has always been to work at the school they attended, as my mother did when my sister and I were in school. That was not God's plan for me, initially. He wanted me here at FBC where the flexibility allowed me to be present for my children when needed, but also to contribute to our household finances. As they now enter their 5th and 6th grades at Bloomfield God is allowing me the opportunity to realize that dream.

I've made many friends here over these last 18 years, and I am so grateful to each of you for your support, encouragement and love...even when I wasn't all that easy to love sometimes ③. Thank you for loving my children as well. Your prayers for them and our family have always been appreciated. I look forward to continued friendships and hope to see you around town!

Thank you for everything, Brenda

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH DEACON NOMINATIONS

2 Corinthians 4:5 (NIV '84)

For we do not preach ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.

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 (*Dennis Kutch and Sherry Weeks*, 2 years); (Cheri Graf and Charles Porter, 1 year).

Bill Hudson, and Randy Flanagin 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, pray for guidance, and then write your recommendations on this sheet and place it in the offering plate or place it on the Church Secretary's desk <u>no later than Sunday</u>, *August 28*.

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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.