



Sunday, December 11, 2022

10:40 a.m.

Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor

Prelude Andrew Sohn

Welcome/Announcements/Lord's Prayer Deacon Dennis Kutch

Lighting of the Advent Candle: Joy Norm and Nancy Sullivan
Isaiah 12:2-3

Hymns *"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"* #245
"O Come All Ye Faithful" #249
"O Little Town of Bethlehem" #250

Offering

Gloria Patri #812

Morning Prayer

Special Music *"Sing We Now of Christmas"* Choir

Scripture Hebrews 2:14-18; 4:14-16

Message *"Empathy and Victory"* Pastor Nathan

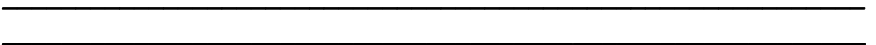
Closing Hymn *"O Holy Night!"* #285

Benediction Pastor Nathan

Postlude Andrew Sohn



Prayer Concerns for This Week



Prayer Request Cards

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



This Week @ FBC

Today 9:00 a.m.....Kingdom Kids Practice
December 11 9:30 a.m..... Sunday School
 10:40 a.m..... Morning Worship
 6:30 p.m.....Christmas Cantata

Monday 7:00 p.m.....Choir Practice
December 12

Wednesday 9:00 a.m..... Bible Study
December 14



Birthdays this Week

December 11: Carolyn Sullivan
 December 12: Lois Kirchoff
 December 15: Josie Hudson
 December 17: Steve Clark, Tony Resler



Winter Season Blessing Box Needs

As winter weather has arrived, we would appreciate new or gently used hats, scarves, gloves, small throws, or blankets for our Blessing Box ministry. Your support of this outreach is very much appreciated.

Food Pantry

When you are shopping if it is possible, buy an extra can of food, or a box of cereal, or pasta sauce, or anything that can be used in the pantry. Eggs, milk, bread, and peanut butter are always available but the supply in soups, meat, tuna, northern beans, and jiffy mix are very slim. If you can help just a little bit, it will be greatly appreciated! Any and all items are needed!

Daycare Needs Workers!

Our Daycare ministry is in dire need of dedicated employees. Perhaps you are looking for something to do! Maybe you know someone! Please help spread the word. We raised our starting wage to \$11.00. If you would be willing to volunteer, we certainly could use some lovely people on call to help fill in while we're short staffed. However, volunteers do need to go through the whole background check and training process, just like an employee. If you have any questions or suggestions, please speak to a Bright Beginnings Board Member: Jeff Coffin, Tasha Hudson, Adrienne Hughes, or Bob Templeton.

Prayer Chain Updates

If you would like to receive emails regarding prayer requests or desire to be removed from receiving prayer requests please contact Bill Hudson, bjhudson@wispaninternet.com or 812-384-4779. Indicate if you desire to be on the phone list, the email list, and/or on both. If your email address has changed and you need to update or if you prefer it be sent to a different address, please also contact Bill Hudson.

A Look at Last Week

(On-line giving is available here: Tithe.ly or at www.fcbcbloom.org)

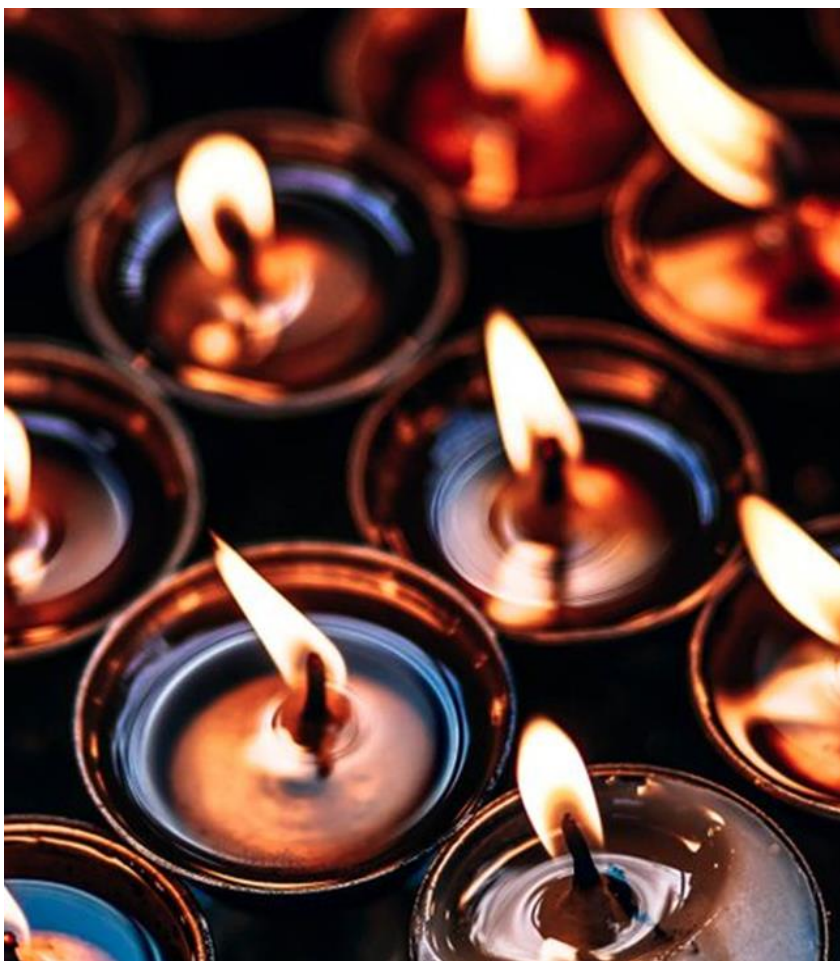
Last Week's Giving

General Fund	\$9,165.05
Food Pantry	\$70.00
Food Pantry IMO Arlene Gastineau	\$20.00
Food Pantry IMO Joetta Roach	\$160.00
Food Pantry IMO Joe & Jean Burcham	\$1,058.25
Blessing Box	\$10.00
Youth Fund	\$10.00
World Missions	\$20.00
White Christmas	\$200.00
Retired Missionaries and Ministers	\$1,163.00

Year to Date Giving

Income (undesignated giving).....	\$239,046.68
Budget Requirements	\$250,457.62
Net Income vs. Budget.....	<i>\$(-11,410.94)</i>

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Christmas Cantata - December 11

The First Baptist Church Kingdom Kids and Adult Choirs will be celebrating Christmas through music tonight, December 11th at 6:30 pm. The Kingdom Kids, directed by Brenda Flanagan, will be singing a number of special arrangements. The program includes chamber music by flutist Pedro Mujica, accompanied by Andrew Sohn. The Adult Choir will be presenting the cantata "The Christmas Story," under the direction of Andrew Sohn. The cantata will feature soloists as well as narrations by Kathy Ham and John Cummings. Following the cantata will be a reception in the Fellowship Hall with a plentiful bounty of goodies. Please join us as we celebrate Christ's birth in song and fellowship.

Caroling - Dec. 18

Please gather at 4pm in the Fellowship Hall to divide into groups to go out and carol to our church family. We will enjoy soups, sandwiches, and goodies back in the Fellowship Hall when we are finished that evening.

Children's Event - Jan. 8th

I am looking for volunteers to help with a children's program that will be offered from 4-6pm on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 8th. We need game leaders, a song leader to model motions with a DVD playing, adults to shepherd the children to different stations and discuss with them, and some lovely folks to prepare dinner to be served before we depart for the evening. Please talk to Tasha if you are willing to volunteer!

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.