



Sunday, December 4, 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: Peace		Marlen Flynn Isaiah 2:4-5
Praise Singing	<i>"Offering"</i> <i>"Let There Be Peace On Earth"</i> <i>"Silent Night"</i>	Worship Team
Offering		
Gloria Patri		#812
Morning Prayer		
Special Music	<i>"O Holy Night"</i>	Choir
Scripture		Hebrews 1:1-2; 2:10-11
Message	<i>"Joining the Family"</i>	Pastor Nathan
Communion		
Closing Hymn	<i>"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"</i>	#244
Benediction		Pastor Nathan
Postlude		Andrew Sohn

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## ***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.

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This Week @ FBC

Today 9:00 a.m.....Kingdom Kids Practice
December 4 9:30 a.m..... Sunday School
10:40 a.m..... Morning Worship

Monday 7:00 p.m.....Choir Practice
December 5

Tuesday 6:30 p.m..... Trustees Meeting
December 6

Wednesday 9:00 a.m..... Bible Study
December 7

Thursday 6:30 p.m..... Church Council Meeting
December 8



Birthdays this Week

December 4: Ruth Barker
December 5: John Bailey
December 6: Leslie Copp



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

The food pantry is going through a trial period right now. More people are coming to the pantry and the donations are slowing down. 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. Food stamps have been cut and some of the people coming to the pantry have food stamps no longer. With the prices in the grocery stores going up, more people are needing help. If you can help just a little bit, it will be greatly appreciated! Any and all items are needed!

Special Offering

The Deacons will be taking up a special offering at the end of the service on December 4th to benefit Retired Ministers and Missionaries. Our giving is to gratefully acknowledge the living devotion of those who have so faithfully answered their call to serve God. This offering provides financial support for the retired ministers, missionaries and their widowed spouses who have dedicated their lives to serving the body of Christ. Thank you for supporting this offering.

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.

A Look at Last Week

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

Last Week's Giving

General Fund	\$3,308.06
Food Pantry	\$25.00
Food Pantry IMO Joe Burcham	\$425.00
Food Pantry IMO Jean Burcham	\$20.00
World Missions	\$100.00
White Christmas	\$350.00
Indian Creek Camp (matching grant)	\$25.00

Year to Date Giving

Income (undesignated giving).....	\$229,881.63
Budget Requirements	\$245,346.24
Net Income vs. Budget.....	<i>\$(-15,464.61)</i>

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Dillman Jars Fundraiser for Daycare

Bright Beginnings is holding a fundraiser, and the jars of jams, butters, and salsas will be delivered in time for Christmas! Order packs of 2 or 3 Dillman Farms preserves; they make great gifts! There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex, or see Tasha Hudson to take an order form home with you today. Have you tried the Cherry Amaretto Preserves? Smoky Chipotle Barbeque? Honey Mustard? Roasted Red Pepper Salsa? There is so much more than Apple Butter to choose from with almost 30 options listed on the order form! And even better than how great these all taste? ~the fact that the Daycare receives a 50% profit from all the jars sold! Orders are due Sunday, Dec. 4th and jars will be ready for pick up by the evening of Dec. 14th. See Tasha with any questions.

Operation Christmas Child Results

Thank you so much for participating in packing Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes! Whether it was your 1st time packing a shoebox or you have been faithfully packing these Gospel Opportunities for years it is GREATLY APPRECIATED!!!

THE GRAND TOTAL FOR THE GREENE COUNTY AREA FOR 2022: 2,317 SHOEBOXES!!!

TO GOD BE ALL THE GLORY!!!

This is 24 more shoeboxes collected this year than last year!

THANK YOU ALL AGAIN FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN THIS MINISTRY!

In Christ Love,
Tammy Hart

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.