



Sunday, November 19, 2023

10:40 a.m.

Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor

Prelude		Andrew Sohn
Welcome/Announcements/Lord's Prayer		Deacon Cheri Graf
Praise Singing	<i>"Build Your Kingdom Here"</i> <i>"Holy Water"</i> <i>"Prepare Our Hearts"</i>	Worship Team
Offering		
Doxology		#815
Morning Prayer		
Special Music	<i>"Thanksgiving Medley"</i>	Sanctuary Choir
Scripture		Ephesians 6:10-24
Message	<i>"Please Pray!"</i>	Pastor Nathan
Closing Song	<i>"Sweet Hour of Prayer"</i>	#640
Benediction		
Postlude		Andrew Sohn



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. They can also be placed in the offering plate. Cards are in the pew backs and on the table in the Narthex.





This Week @ FBC

Today	10:40 a.m..... Morning Worship
November 19	2:00 p.m..... Leaf Raking
Monday	7:00 p.m..... Choir Practice
November 20	
Tuesday	9:30 a.m..... Cottage Prayer Group
November 21	
Wednesday	9:00 a.m..... Bible Study
November 22	
Sunday	9:00 a.m..... Kingdom Kids
November 26	9:30 a.m..... Sunday School
	10:40 a.m..... Morning Worship
	12:00 p.m..... Hanging of the Greens
	2:00 p.m..... Preaching at Parkview



Birthdays this Week

November 19: Jodie Hudson
November 23: James Malone & Mike Stoner



Leaf Raking Today

The youth & young adults will be raking leaves starting at 2:00 p.m. Please meet at the church and bring gloves and a rake if you have one. We will carpool/walk to various yards. We will eat pizza afterwards at the church.

Preaching at Parkview Next Sunday, November 26

Mark your calendars now and plan on attending worship at Parkview in Odon at 2:00 pm on November 26. Pastor Nathan will be preaching, and everyone is encouraged to come and worship with the residents there.

Hanging of the Greens Next Sunday

Hanging of the Greens will be next Sunday, November 26, immediately after worship services. We will be decorating Christmas trees for the Fellowship Hall, Narthex, and the Sanctuary. Plan to join in the fun as our Church is transformed for the Advent/Christmas Season. The Social Committee will provide pizza for lunch.

Young People Away Care Packages

We will be assembling packages to show our love and support for those in college and the military on November 28 at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall kitchen. If anyone is available to help, we would encourage you to come. We have Aiden Malone, Alex Malone, Cansas Rhodes, Sydney Terrell, Kinley Moody, and Brady Hudson on our list. If we have omitted anyone, please let Heather know.

Ideally, we would like to send home made items. Cookies, Chex mix, brownies, and candy are favorites. However, popcorn, candy canes, gum, hot chocolate, and cheese crackers are appreciated.... just use your imagination.

Thanks in advance for your help in showing our young people their church family loves and cares about them.

A Look at Last Week

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

Last Week's Giving

General Fund	\$3,965.00
White Christmas.....	\$100.00
WMO (auction).....	\$1,680.00
Food Pantry	\$100.00

Year to Date Giving

Income (undesignated giving).....	\$221,334.51
Budget Requirements	\$242,423.22
Net Income vs. Budget	- \$21,088.71

Finally,
be strong in
the Lord and
in his mighty
power.

Ephesians 6:10
(NIV)



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Jan-May Children's program

We are preparing for our spring Children's program. We'll meet on the 4th Sunday of the month, and we're using the Twist & Turns curriculum from Lifeway, which is game themed, and takes us through the life of Peter. We need helpers to lead games, music, and lessons, and also volunteers in the kitchen to cook dinner. We'll meet from 4-6pm. Please let Tasha Hudson know if you can help!

Jan. 28, Feb. 25, March 24, April 28, May 26

Church Office Hours & Closures

Next week, church office hours will return to normal. They will be:

Tuesday-Friday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

The church office will be closed November 23 and 24 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

The Food Pantry will be closed the week of Thanksgiving, November 21-23.

Youth Christmas Party, December 3

Our middle and high school youth are invited to a Christmas party at Nathan, Liz, and Tiffany's home on Sunday, December 3, from 4:30-7:00 p.m. Food will be provided. Our address is 145 Dogwood Lane. Come join us!

Retired Ministers Missionary Offering

On December 3, the Deacons will be taking up a special offering at the end of the service to benefit Retired Ministers and Missionaries. The

RMMO benefits retired ordained ministers and commissioned missionaries who have devoted 15 years or more to ABCUSA as well as surviving spouses. A certain portion of the offering is also allocated for direct emergency assistance. The offering originated in the mid-1930s as the Communion Fellowship Offering and since 1977 has been known as RMMO.

Good will come to those who are generous and lend freely, who conduct their affairs with justice. Psalm 112:5

Thank you for your support of this offering.

Blessing Box

I appreciate the support our church family has shown for our Blessing Box. While we occasionally have donations left inside the box, our bulk of donations come from YOU. Your monetary donations and supplies have kept this ministry alive. We try to be good stewards of the resources received so that we can stretch our dollars. Many in our community are being shown God's love by this vital ministry. Thank you so much. Any questions, please call Cheri Campbell Graf at 812-384-8980.

Dillman Farms Fundraiser

We are holding a fundraiser for the Preschool. Dillman Farms jellies and salsa make great Christmas gifts! There are 29 varieties to pick from. Order 2 jars per gift box for \$16, or 3 in a gift box for \$22. Fill out the order form in the lobby. Make checks out to Bright Beginnings Preschool. Orders are due by Sun. Nov. 26th.

Congregational Meeting Highlight Results

Twenty-eight members were present at the 9 November congregational meeting to vote on the agenda items. All items that required a vote were approved. Which included the following:

Slate of officers for 2024. Vacant positions still exist in the Assistant Moderator and Sunday school Superintendent.

A budget line was approved to be added to the 2024 budget of \$3,000 that will enable the Preschool to continue and to meet its fiscal requirements.

The 2024 budget, totaling \$280,180.89, that included the \$3K preschool budget line, a three percent raise for the Pastor and 2% raise for the bookkeeper, custodian, and the secretary. The secretary's 2% raise was approved in the form of a four-day paid annual vacation.

A special called congregational meeting will be scheduled during the first quarter of 2024 to request approval of proposed changes to the FBC Constitution and Personnel, Policies and Procedures Handbook once the council has completed their review.