



Sunday, December 3, 2023

10:40 a.m.

Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor

Prelude Andrew Sohn

Welcome/Announcements/Lord's Prayer Deacon Dennis Kutch

Lighting of the Advent Candle: Hope Chuck & Tammy Young
Psalm 130:7-8

Praise Singing #244
"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"
"Offering" Worship Team
"O Holy Night"

Offering

Gloria Patri #812

Morning Prayer

Special Music Sanctuary Choir
"Night of the Father's Love"

Scripture Jer 31:23-25, 31-34

Message Pastor Nathan
"Release and Rest"

Communion

Closing Song #245
"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

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.

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***This Week @ FBC***

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| <b>Today</b>     | 9:00 a.m..... Kingdom Kids          |
| December 3       | 9:30 p.m..... Sunday School         |
|                  | 10:40 a.m..... Morning Worship      |
|                  | 4:30 p.m..... Youth Christmas Party |
| <b>Monday</b>    | 7:00 p.m..... Choir Practice        |
| December 4       |                                     |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | 9:30 a.m..... Cottage Prayer Group  |
| December 5       | 6:30 p.m..... Trustee Meeting       |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | 9:00 a.m..... Bible Study           |
| December 6       |                                     |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | 6:30 p.m..... Deacon Meeting        |
| December 7       |                                     |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | 9:00 a.m..... Kingdom Kids          |
| December 10      | 9:30 a.m..... Sunday School         |
|                  | 10:40 a.m..... Morning Worship      |
|                  | 6:00 p.m..... Christmas Cantata     |

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Birthdays this Week

December 3: Jeff Coffin, John Cummings, Dixie Hudson
December 4: Ruth Barker
December 5: John Bailey
December 6: Leslie Copp

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***Youth Christmas Party Today***

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!

## ***Young People Away Care Packages***

Our Young People Away will be receiving their “care packages” in the next few days. Thank you to everyone who sent donations. We received several homemade goodies and lots of snack items. I’m sure our young people will feel the love and prayers tucked inside their packages.

## ***Jan-May Children’s program***

We are preparing for our spring Children’s program. We’ll meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> 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

## ***Pregnancy Choices Baby Bottles***

A friendly reminder to turn in any baby bottles you may have to support Pregnancy Choices. They can be set on the library counter. Thank you!

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

*(On-line giving is available here: [Tithe.ly](http://Tithe.ly) or at [www.fcbloom.org](http://www.fcbloom.org))*

#### **Last Week’s Giving**

|                       |            |
|-----------------------|------------|
| General Fund .....    | \$3,870.27 |
| White Christmas ..... | \$130.00   |
| WMO (auction) .....   | \$20.00    |
| Food Pantry .....     | \$75.00    |
| Youth Fund .....      | \$50.00    |

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

|                                    |               |
|------------------------------------|---------------|
| Income (undesignated giving) ..... | \$231,404.04  |
| Budget Requirements .....          | \$252,963.36  |
| Net Income vs. Budget .....        | - \$21,559.32 |

# Hope



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*McDance*

### ***Retired Ministers Missionary Offering Today***

After the service, the Deacons will be taking up a special offering 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.

### ***A Thank You***

Dear Baptist Family,

What a blessing you all are, and so nice of you to show up with rakes in hand to clean up my yard. I thank you so much.

Love,

Joan Vaughn

### ***Christmas Cantata December 10***

The First Baptist Church Kingdom Kids and Adult Choirs will be celebrating Christmas through music on December 10th at 6:00 pm. The Kingdom Kids, directed by Brenda Flanagan, will be singing a number of special arrangements. The program also includes a performance by an IU music student. The Adult Choir will be presenting the cantata "Together for Christmas", under the direction of Andrew Sohn. The cantata will feature soloists as well as narrators. 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.

### ***Children's Christmas Party December 16***

The Children's Christmas Party will be Saturday, December 16 from 12:30-2:30 p.m. in the CLC. There will be lunch, games, and crafts. Please RSVP text to Tasha Hudson 812-384-6983.

## ***2023 White Christmas December 14-16***

Thursday, December 14

The Middle and High School youth will be helping to set up in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 p.m. Pizza will be provided.

Friday, December 15

We will be packing White Christmas boxes in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00 a.m. There will be coffee, milk, and donuts available for volunteers.

Saturday, December 16

Distribution will take place from 9:00-11:00 a.m. The Boy Scouts from Troop 464 will be carrying the boxes out to the cars.

## ***Christmas Caroling December 17***

We will assemble at 3:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall to divide into groups to go out and carol to our church family. We will enjoy dinner back in the Fellowship Hall when we are finished that evening.

## ***Fellowship Breakfast Sunday, December 17***

Due to the Christmas Cantata being scheduled for the second Sunday of December, December 10<sup>th</sup>, the CBBC has opted to host the Fellowship Breakfast on the third Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, instead. This allows for the Fellowship Hall to be set up in advance for the Fellowship reception after the Cantata and not so much happening on one Sunday.

## ***Christmas Eve Candlelight Service***

The Candlelight Service will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 24. Sunday School and Morning Worship will be held at their normal times that day.

## ***Address Update for Rex & Lois Kirchoff***

As of today, Rex and Lois have a new address:

Rex & Lois Kirchoff  
The Wyndmoor  
1465 E. Crossing Blvd.  
Terre Haute, IN 47802