



Sunday, December 22, 2024

10:40 a.m.

Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements/Lord's Prayer

Deacon Dennis Kutch

Lighting of the Advent Candle: Love

Todd & Phyllis Hammers

Isaiah 16:5

Hymns

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You"

#271

"Good Christian Men, Rejoice"

#273

"Sing We Now of Christmas"

#275

Offering

Gloria Patri

#812

Morning Prayer

Special Music

*"A Carol at the Heart
of Every Christmas"*

Sanctuary Choir

Scripture

Mark 6:14-29

Message

"A Gift for Mom"

Pastor Nathan

Closing Song

"I Heard the Bells On Christmas Day"

#267

(v. 1, 3, 4)

Benediction

Postlude



Prayer Request / Visitor Cards

If you have a request for which you would like prayer during worship, or you are a first-time visitor, please fill out a Prayer Request / Visitor 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. Thank you! 😊

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***This Week @ FBC***

**Today** 9:30 a.m..... Sunday School  
December 22 10:40 a.m..... Morning Worship  
4:00 p.m..... Christmas Caroling

**Tuesday** 6:30 a.m..... Christmas Eve Service  
December 24

**Sunday** 9:30 a.m..... Sunday School  
December 29 10:40 a.m..... Morning Worship

**\*There will be NO Bible Study or Community Fellowship on  
December 25 or January 1\***

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Birthdays this Week

December 22 – Brandt Hudson
December 28 – Donna Miller

Anniversaries this Week

December 26 – Alan & Janet Brown

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***Church Office Holiday Closings***

The church office will be closed the following days:  
December 24, 25, 26, 31 and January 1

The church office will be open regular hours on Monday, December 23.

***Pregnancy Choices Opportunity***

Pregnancy Choices is seeking a group of men to form a facility committee to help us with general building maintenance and repairs, lawn care, and landscaping, along with other building needs and issues. If you are interested, please sign up at:

<https://gpcchoices.dm.networkforgood.com/forms/facility-committee> or text "facility" to 888-601-2987. Thank you!

## Hoops for Him 2025

The 2025 Hoops for Him Season begins January 25th and runs each Saturday through March 15th. Any child aged 4 through the 6th grade may participate in this program that teaches basic basketball skills along with our love of Christ. Online Registrations are available via our Facebook page or scan the QR code below. Contact Eric Moody at 812-227-0700 if you are willing to help out during the season. Volunteers are needed to coach and lead devotions each Saturday.



### A Look at Last Week

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

#### Last Week's Giving

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|-------------------|------------|
| General Fund..... | \$2,942.00 |
| Food Pantry ..... | \$100.00   |

#### Year to Date Giving

|                                    |              |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Income (undesignated giving) ..... | \$247,958.29 |
| Budget Requirements.....           | \$269,404.50 |
| Net Income vs. Budget .....        | -\$21,446.21 |

Online giving can be found here:



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### ***5<sup>th</sup> Quarter Saturday, January 11***

High school and Jr. high students are invited to come hang out in the CLC after home HS boys' basketball games. They can play in the youth room and big area, we serve pizza, pop, and chips. They pay \$1.25 to get in.

This event ends at 11pm.

Upcoming Dates: Jan. 11, Feb. 15, Feb. 28

Please talk to Tasha or Braden Hudson or Kylee Moody if you are interested in helping.

### ***Christmas Caroling Today***

We will assemble at 4:00 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.

### ***Christmas Cards in the Pews***

The Bible Study Sunday School class has written Christmas cards/notes to people in the congregation. We don't know who we wrote to, but we have placed our cards in the sitting area of the Sanctuary. The cards should be labeled something like - *This card is for you*. If you sit where the card is placed, please take it and enjoy our Christmas wish/prayer to you. From our class to each of you - *May this Christmas celebration bring joy and hope to you and yours*.



### *Telephone Prayer Chain Updates*

Hello everyone. The Deacons will be updating the telephone prayer chain. If you are currently on the prayer chain and want to remain on there, you don't need to do anything. If you aren't currently on the chain and want to be added, you have updates (e.g., phone number change), or if you would like to be removed from the chain, let me know. If you have any questions, please ask. Thank you, Debra Hudson.

### *Church Wide Email Updates*

If you would like to be added or removed from the current church wide email list, or your email address has recently changed, please contact Heather in the church office. These emails generally include prayer requests/updates, the Weekly Blast, the monthly Newsletter, announcements etc.

### *Winter Address Update for Charlotte & Tooger Smith*

Charlotte & Tooger Smith  
326 Pedro Street  
Venice, FL 34285

