

IN SERVICE

December 4

Extended Teaching

Coordinator(s)

Becky Wise

10:40 a.m.

Barbara Vincent

Emily Rucker

Sara Maddox

Chris Maddox

Kim Phelps

Jessica Braun

Ginger Appleford

Michael Appleford

9:35 Deacons

(1) Nate Fulghum

(6) Dale Mason

11:00 Deacons

(1) David Mason

(3) Murrell Porter

(4) Eric Scheider

(5) Roger Smothers

(6) Mike Ryan

Elmcroft

Don Hall

Week of

December 4

Connections

Eric Scheider

Congregational Care

Mike Johnson

PLEASE NOTE

BUS ASSISTANT(S)

NEEDED

Our Bus Ministry is in urgent need of bus assistant(s) on Sunday mornings. This person assists with elderly folks and those in wheel chairs. This can ONLY be done if our bus driver has an assistant on the bus. Times needed are 8:30-9:35 a.m. and 12-12:30 p.m.

With enough volunteers a rotation schedule can be set up. Please pray about this decision and call the church office at 538-7361 if you can help.

SCHUMANN CENTER

Crafters on Mission is collecting the following new and gently used items for men only through November: pants/jeans, shorts, belts, duffle bag/backpacks. A collection box is located in the CLC. Items will be delivered on Monday, December 5.

THE FIRST EDITION

NOVEMBER 29, 2016

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

CELEBRATE THE TRUE GIFTS OF CHRISTMAS THIS SEASON: HOPE, LOVE, JOY AND PEACE

It's the most wonderful time of the year—or so the old song goes. Yet we have to admit that it doesn't always feel that way. We can all rattle off a list of the reasons why we feel a twinge of stress or sadness mixed with happiness or excitement when the carols start playing in every public setting. Hectic schedules, rampant materialism and reminders of personal wounds are just a few of the reasons.

Whether you are the person who is ready to relax and savor the season because you did all your shopping and preparations months ago (not likely) or the person who dreads the busyness, responsibilities or loneliness that steal your joy this time of year (much more likely), the Christmas season offers a unique opportunity to experience God's love and grace in the midst of real life. Christmas can still truly give us a taste of the most wonderful time of world history. Jesus—the Messiah, the Savior—came as the light into the darkness and stress and pain of the world—our world. That world then, just like our world now, including our lives, needs the light to illuminate, clarify, guide, and heal. Christ's coming brings that ultimate light and His peace, joy, and all-consuming love. Those are the true gifts of Christmas. And He is worth celebrating.

Join us for an unforgettable Advent series as we celebrate how Jesus' birth changed everything and brings us hope, love, joy, and peace even today!

THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

December 2	Light Up Mt. Washington – 6:00 p.m. FBC and the City of Mt. Washington Live Nativity, Choirs, Parade, Santa and other activities
December 4	<i>Jesus' Song Around the World</i> – 6:00 p.m. Senior Adult Choir "Grace Notes" Program – Sanctuary
December 11	<i>Christmas Concert of Worship</i> - 6:00 p.m. Worship Choir & Orchestra - Sanctuary
December 24	Christmas Eve Services – 4:30 & 6:00 p.m. – Sanctuary
December 25	Christmas – 9:35 & 11:00 a.m. Worship services only <i>No Sunday school, no children's services, no childcare</i>
	Advent Sundays – November 27, December 4, 11, & 18
January 1	New Year Schedule – 9:35 & 11:00 a.m. Worship services only <i>No Sunday school, no children's services, no childcare</i>

LIGHT UP MT. WASHINGTON

First Baptist Church is partnering with our city again in 2016 to "Light Up Mt. Washington," Friday, December 2 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. This partnership assists our community to discover the meaning of the Savior's birth in the midst of holiday celebrations. We are excited to decorate our town with light as we celebrate Jesus as the Light of the World.

The Light of the World has come! We are reassured of his coming as we read, "In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness... That was the true light which gives light to every man who comes into the world" (John 1:4, 5, 9). We will reflect that light by hosting several activities on this special night as a gift to our community:

- A Live Nativity • Three Choirs to Sing under the City of Mt. Washington new pavilion: Mt. Washington Elementary School, Bullitt East High School, First Baptist Church Worship Choir and Orchestra
- Seasonal Refreshments in the CLC and a visit from Santa & Mrs. Claus with photo opportunities for each family.
- Our Mayor and Dr. Billy Compton will light the City's Christmas lights • Free Carriage Rides
- Special Gifts Awarded • Mt. Washington Lions' Club Fish Fry

We invite you to plan now by marking your calendar to attend this wonder-filled evening!

Celebrating the "The Gifts of Christmas"!!

POINSETTIAS

Memorial Christmas Poinsettias are being ordered again this year as part of our Christmas decorations in the Sanctuary. If you would like to order a poinsettia in memory of a loved one, you may do so by December 2. Order forms are available in the Welcome Center, CLC, and vestibule. Cost is \$7.00 each and must be prepaid. Poinsettias can be picked up after our Christmas Eve service December 24 or after our Christmas Service on Sunday, December 25. Those not picked up by Tuesday, December 27 will be discarded.



WELCOME TO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH



Aiden
Curtsinger



Linda
Tichenor

SAVE THE DATE

ADVENT SUNDAYS

December 4, 11, 18

Our Ministerial Staff will read scripture and we encourage individuals or families to join in this celebration by lighting the Advent candles each week. Those wishing to participate should contact Cindy in the church office.



LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

December 4-11

Look for LMCO envelopes and prayer guides the week of December 4. 100% of your gifts help send and sustain IMB Missionaries. Thank you in advance for your prayers and gifts. **FBC GOAL - \$25,000**

LOTTIE'S LATTE CAFE

December 4, 11, 18, 9:00-12:15 a.m.,

Welcome Center.

Coffee, Hot Chocolate and baked goodies.

Crafts made by G.A.'s. (Girls in Action).

Proceeds to benefit the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.



PICK-A-TREE STAR

Pick-a-Tree Star names are ready to be picked up at Peoples Bank of Mt. Washington's main branch. There are currently **37** children still in need. They ask that you return your gift unwrapped in a black garbage bag with the identification number of your child on the outside where it can be read. The deadline is December 9. Monetary donations will also be accepted. Please make checks payable to: Peoples Bank Mt. Washington and write Pick A Tree Star on the memo line. This program helps those in our own community who may not be able to celebrate Christmas without your help. You may do this individually, as a family, as a Sunday School Class, or just friends going together to help a needy family.

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday - December 4

7:00 - 8:00 Prayer Time - C205
8:15 Morning Worship/No childcare
9:00 - 11:00 Library open
9:00 - 12:00 Lottie Café - Welcome Cntr.
9:35 Bible Study - all ages
9:35 Morning Worship/Preschool & Children's Choir will sing
10:45 Women Pray - Pastor's Study
10:45 Sunday School Too (B- PS2) Sproutlets (Ages 3-5 by Aug. 1, 2016) First Kids Live (Grades 1-5)
10:50 Bible Study - all ages
11:00 Morning Worship/Preschool & Children's Choir will sing
6:00 Grace Notes Christmas prog.-Sanct.

Monday - December 5

9:00 Crochet Group - Craft Room
9:30 Mother's Day Out (M-TH)
3:00 Impact/Afterschool (M-F)
7:00 Worship Choir/Orchestra Final Reh.
7:30 One Accord Rehearsal

Tuesday - December 6

10:00 Women on Mission - Craft Room
5:30 Aerobics - CLC

Tuesday - December 6 cont.

6:30 Orchestra Rehearsal
7:00 MDO Christmas Program - Sanct.

Wednesday - December 7

3:30 Library
4:45 Fellowship Meal
5:00 Handbells Rehearsal
6:00 Preschool/Children's Chr. last mtg.
6:00 Women's Bible Study - FSR
6:15 Prayer Mtg/Bible Study - Coakley
6:15 Youth WOW (Grades 6-12)
6:45 Missions/R.A.'s/G.A.'s last mtg.
7:00 Worship Choir/Orchestra Final Reh.

Thursday December 8

10:00 Grace Notes - Worship Suite
11:00 Young at Heart - Derby Dinner
5:30 Aerobics
7:00 Worship Choir/Orchestra Final Reh.

Friday - December 9

9:30 Grace Notes Windsor Gardens
6:00 Children's Lock-In - FH/Gym/FKL

Saturday - December 10

7:00 Men's Bible Study - Romans Hall
9:00 Aerobics
11:00 CLC closes

DIRECTORY APP NOW AVAILABLE

Put Our Church Directory on Your Smartphone!
Directory updated weekly.
Email Cheryl at chall@fbcmw.org to receive download instructions and your family access code.



GRACE NOTES

Jesus' Song Around the World

December 4, 6:00 p.m., Sanctuary
We will combine music & missions emphasis as we promote the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering with carols from 10 different nations & IMB videos.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Lock-IN for Grades 1-5

Friday, December 9, 6:00-11:00 p.m., Christian Life Center Games, crafts, pizza, a movie, etc... So we can be prepared for all the fun, please RSVP by emailing Jennifer Harris at jharris@fbcmw.org or call the church office by December 7.



PRISON MINISTRY

Stockings for children of inmates at Bullitt County Detention Center are available in the Welcome Center. Pick up one or more and return filled stockings by December 11. If you have any questions about this project, you can contact Barbara Wright at 396-0138 or the church office at 538-7361.



YOUTH MINISTRY

CHRISTMAS WOW/PARTY

(6th-12th grades) Wednesday, December 14, 6:15-7:45 p.m. W.O.W. Room. Snacks, games, worship music and devotion. Parents, sign up to send a snack or dessert item. Contact Jason Johnson.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

"Pursued" Retreat

April 20-22, 2017, Wooded Glen Retreat & Conference Center, Henry Co., IN. Cost \$250; \$25 non-refundable deposit due now. Contact Connie Slater at 744-7248 for more information.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Updated Monday, Nov. 28

Baptist Health: Remi Whitaker (Harry & Emily Rucker's granddaughter), Joyce Mann

Norton's Women & Kosair Children's: Jackie Sanders

Oaklawn: Wanda Walker

Elmcroft: Shirley Bristow, Nancy Greenwell, Tom and Verneasa Jasper, Dean and Velma Keen

SYMPATHY

Christian sympathy is extended to David Harrington and family in the loss of his father, Lester Glen Harrington; to Jim Buffin and family in the loss of his aunt, Mildred "Mickey" Sparrow Thomas; to Connie Slater and family in the loss of her grandmother, Elizabeth King; to the family of Alex Buky; and to the family of Bennie Stillwell.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Danica Lee Barnes
Born: November 7
Parents: Steve & Colleen Barnes
Great-grandparents: Henry & Barbara Barnes



Jayce Michael Middleton
Born: November 18
Parents: Aaron & Amber Middleton
Grandparents: Steve & Charlotte Middleton



Miles Robert Burke
Born: November 24
Parents: Jeremy & Kassie Burke
Grandparents: Bob & Tammy Burke, Tony & Dawn Stemle



THANK YOU

Thank you to Jacque Prewitt, Susan McGehee and the Bible Seekers Sunday school class for the beautiful garlands, trees and wreaths that adorn our Sanctuary this year for the Advent and Christmas season.

STAFF ANNIVERSARY

CONGRATULATIONS!

Jason Johnson - December 29
Students - 8 years

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Widowed & Homebound
Happy Birthday
Linn Ireland & Arlene Romine (3)
Gameta Ryan (14), Betty Lutes (17)
Ike Norris (18)
Bruce Clark & Wanda Walker (20)
Adelyn Dickey (28)



Shoebox Totals

2013=329

2014=553

2015=874

2016=657

THANK YOU!

BODY LIFE

Nov. 13 Nov. 20

Bible Study 597 585
A.M Worship Total 841 826

Financial Statements are available in hard copy format in a box outside Melissa Laytham's office.

Financial information not available to the general public.

SAVE THE DATE

MOM'S CONNECT

Friday, December 2, 9:00-11:00 a.m. in the CLC gym.
New Mom or seasoned mom of young ones, are you feeling a little lost? Join us every 1st and 3rd Friday. Get connected. Be inspired. Be encouraged. Enjoy some down time. The gym is open so bring the kids.

PRESCHOOL/CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Sunday, December 4, Preschool and Children's Choir will sing at the end of the 9:35 and the beginning of 11:00 a.m. service.