

First Baptist Church  
St. Albans, WV  
December 9, 2018

## MORNING WORSHIP

8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.

Music for Meditation and Worship "Lo! How a Rose E'er Blooming"  
Welcome and Announcements Pastor Roger  
Advent Candle "Mighty God"  
The Brian/Libby Bird Family (8:30 a.m.)  
The Bruce/Betsy Rutledge Family (11:00 a.m.)  
Invocation Deacon Kim Patrick  
Congregational Singing: Carol Medley: #86, #98 (vs. 1,2), #93 (vs. 1,3)  
"Unto Us" Sanctuary Choir  
Worship Through Giving Offertory Prayer  
Offertory: "I Wonder As I Wander" Rick Tolbert  
Pastoral Prayer "Mighty God" Pastor Joel  
†\* Congregational Singing: (insert) "Once In Royal David's City" (vs. 1,2)  
With "Silent Night"  
Scripture: Luke 2: 8 – 18 (page 725, pew Bible)  
Sermon: "Christ the Savior" Pastor Joel  
\*Congregational Singing: #95 (vs. 1,3,4) "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"  
Postlude

### \*Congregation is invited to stand

† Children (grades 1-5) are excused to go to Children's Church (11:00 service).

**WELCOME** – We are so happy you are worshipping with us today! Please pass the blue attendance book down your row and back again, noting the names of those around you.

**Child Care is available** at both the 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship services for children birth - age 5. For assistance in locating the nursery, ask an usher.

**This is Christmas Food Baskets Week!** Remember, you can help sort, pack and/or distribute the baskets. Pick-up of perishable food is on **Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.** behind Kroger; Box Assembly/Packing is **Thursday, at 6:00 p.m. (Gathering Place); Distribution Day is Saturday, December 15** starting at 8:45 a.m. You can also give a monetary donation by making your check out to FBC and writing "Christmas Baskets" on the memo line. Our coordinator for the baskets is Travis Coles and you can contact him at 304-541-1067. Thanks!

## Evening Worship ~ 6:30 P.M.

"Silent Night" -- A Play

Plus: Christmas Carols, Sharing of Christmas Memories  
And a Time of Fellowship Following Play  
In Myers Fellowship Hall

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**FBCSA is seeking to fill the position of part-time financial secretary.** The job description is located in the office. Anyone interested please submit resume to the Deacon Board Chairman by December 14, 2018.

**2019 Offering Envelopes** are available in the Hub for those who ordered them.

**If you have not turned in a pledge card for 2019, you can still do so. There is a box/pledge cards located in the church office, or simply place your card in the offering plate.**

**Christmas Poinsettias** – Anyone wishing to contribute poinsettias for the Sanctuary this Christmas may do so by contacting the church office (727-4661) or by filling out an order card in the office. **The cost of each poinsettia is \$11.00. Deadline for placing your order is tomorrow--Mon., Dec. 10.** Poinsettias will be in the Sanctuary beginning Sunday, December 16. You can take your poinsettia home after the Christmas Eve service.

**The Birth through Five children's department needs helpers for Sunday mornings.** We offer nursery all three hours: 8:30, Sunday School, and 11:00. For older young ones, ages 2-5, we have classes during Sunday School and at 11:00. Most people help for 1 hour a month. Please contact Bethany Hanna to get on the list. Call 304-721-9145 or text message to 304-610-2035.  
Email: [thehannas29@gmail.com](mailto:thehannas29@gmail.com).

**The youth (grades 6 – 12) will be having a Progressive Dinner this Saturday, December 15, from 3:00 – 9:00 p.m.** What to bring: an appetite and a gift for anyone, wrapped, and under \$5. Suggestions for the gift: candy, gift card, gag gift, homemade cookies, gloves, etc. Be creative!

**We will be offering a CPR/First Aid class on Saturday, December 15 from 9:00 a.m. – 12 noon.** It will be taught by Chris Collins, who is a certified first aid instructor with S.A. Fire Dept. The class will be free of charge if you are not taking it to obtain the certification card and \$35.00 (about half of what you would pay through Red Cross) if you need the card. Please sign up in the Hub.

**Christmas Eve candlelight service** will be Monday, December 24, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Join the church family as we give glory to "the newborn King."



**Concerning our announcement/bulletin insert regarding RightNow Media,** here are two additional ways to sign up: Text **FBCSTALBANS to 41411** and you will receive a link, or go to [www.rightnowmedia.org/Account/Invite/FBCSTALBANS](http://www.rightnowmedia.org/Account/Invite/FBCSTALBANS)

**CALENDAR FOR DECEMBER 9 – 15**

- SUN. 8:30 a.m. - Early Morning Worship
- 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
- Birthday Party for Jesus (*PreK – grade 5, Fellowship Hall*)
- 5:13 p.m. - Emmanuel Choir, Drama, Handbells
- 6:30 p.m. - “Silent Night” Play
- MON. 10:00 a.m. - Pickleball (*gym*)
- 6:30 p.m. - Board Meetings
- 8:00 p.m. - Advisory Council
- TUE. 6:30 p.m. - Nadine Hinchman Circle
- 7:00 p.m. - Worship Team Rehearsal
- WED. 5:30 p.m. - Christmas Basket Volunteers meet behind Kroger for food pick-up
- Fellowship Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. - Bible Study/Business Meeting (*lower auditorium*)
- Children’s Choirs
- The Well (*Grades 6 - 12*)
- Adult Small Groups
- 7:40 p.m. - Sanctuary Choir
- 7:45 p.m. - Summit (*Young Adult Bible Study*)
- THU. 4:00 p.m. - Adult Game Night
- 6:00 p.m. - Christmas Basket Box Assembly/Packing (*Gathering Place*)
- FRI. 12 Noon - KnitWits
- SAT. 8:45 a.m. - Christmas Basket Distribution
- 9 a.m. – 12 noon - Red Cross First Aid/CPR Class (*lower auditorium*)
- 3 – 9 p.m. - Youth Progressive Dinner (*meet here*)
- 6:00 p.m. - TLC Class Christmas Party

**NURSERY/CHILDREN’S WORKERS**

|                    | <b><u>This Sunday – Dec. 9</u></b> | <b><u>Next Sunday – Dec. 16</u></b> |
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| Nursery (8:30 am)  | Connie Tenkhoff & Kim Lyon         | Sharon W. & Miles/Melanie Y.        |
| Nursery (9:45 am)  | Donna Samples                      | Kim Horner                          |
| Nursery (11:00 am) | Tammy Coppala                      | Pat & Melissa Larsen                |
| 2s & 3s (11:00 am) | Roxanne & Dee Burdette             | Jami Carte & Joan Atkinson          |
| 4s & 5s (11:00 am) | Robin Young & VOLUNTEER            | Missy Hinton & Janie Safreed        |
| Children’s Church  | Angie Maze/Sherri Atwood           | Tammy Coppala/Youth                 |

**ATTENDANCE FOR THE WEEK:** 11/28/18–Wednesday: 145; 12/2/18: Sunday School: 174; Morning Worship: 296; Evening Worship: 65

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

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|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Budget .....              | \$ 692,604.00              |
| Receipt 12/2/18 .....     | \$ 15,279.50               |
| Total Toward Budget ..... | \$ 554,487.74              |
| Total Non-Budget .....    | \$ 64,957.76               |
| Pastor .....              | Rev. Joel M. Harpold       |
| Minister of Youth/CE..... | Rev. Dr. Roger W. McKenzie |
| Director of Music .....   | Mr. Thomas S. Hollinger    |
| Organist .....            | Ms. Ann O. Kinsolving      |



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**Today is the second Sunday of Advent**, a four week spiritual journey where we seek to draw closer in our relationship to God as we anticipate the coming celebration of the birth of our Savior. It is a time of preparation, reflection, worship and renewal. We pray that this season of Advent finds you experiencing the presence of God’s Spirit in your life in a deeply meaningful way. **Today the candle we light reminds us of Jesus as Mighty God.**

**Today we will be throwing a Birthday Party for Jesus** for children, preK through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. There will food, games, crafts and cake! This will be in the Fellowship Hall for the entire 11 a.m. worship hour. Parents, pick your children up in the Fellowship Hall after 11 a.m. service.

**There will be a Budget Committee Meeting in the McClung/Melton classroom after the 11 a.m. service.**

**There will be a baptism on Sunday, December 30, 2018.** If you are interested in being baptized, or exploring the Christian faith or joining the church, contact Pastor Joel.

**Please note: Any gifts that you want credited to 2018** must be postmarked by December 31. Also, any invoices to be taken out of the 2018 budget need to be turned in no later than Wednesday, December 26.

**HOMEBOUND OF THE WEEK:** Norma Curry, 1275 Patterson Dr., Elkview, WV 25701

**HOSPITALIZED: Genesis – Putnam Care Center:** Sue Ward; **Women’s and Children’s NICU:** Tidus Willis (Tyler and Ashley Willis’ baby)

**MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK:** Glen & Rita Chapman, DR Congo

**DEACON OF THE WEEK:** Kim Patrick –304-776-6377

**COLLEGE STUDENT OF THE WEEK:** Abby Moore, 1160 University Dr., UFT-8251-C, Lexington, KY 40526

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God. One arrangement is given in honor of Phil Laughery’s birthday; one arrangement is given by Ed and Belinda Kondakdjian in memory of their beloved son, Daniel John Kondakdjian, and the vases are given by Mark and Alex Foster in memory of Diann Foster.



# 2018 CHRISTMAS BASKETS

**Today is the last food collection day!**

## *Schedule:*

- **Food Pickup from Kroger:** Wednesday December 12 – meet at 5:30 pm behind Kroger. Food will be unloaded at the Gathering Place before church. Volunteers Appreciated
- **Boxing and Packing Day:** Thursday, December 13 – beginning at 6:00 pm – **Volunteers Needed**
- **Distribution Day:** Saturday, December 15 – starting at 8:45 a.m. – **Volunteers Needed**
- **Contact: Travis Coles (304-541-1067), or the office (304-727-4661)**
- Remember you can give a monetary donation as well; just write “Christmas Baskets” in the memo line of the check, or on the envelope if giving cash.

## Christmas Mitten Tree

Our mitten tree is in need of mittens and gloves! Each year for the Christmas Basket distribution, we decorate a small Christmas tree with a beautiful selection of hats with matching scarves knitted by our very own “knitwits.” Our tree has colorful mittens and gloves tucked in it also. Children can pick their favorite hat/scarf/mittens from the tree. If you would like to contribute (they can be bought, not hand knitted), please leave the gloves and/or mittens in the Resource Room.

In addition to this, coffee, juice and donuts are served to people as they wait to pick up their Christmas baskets. Everything is free to those picking up food baskets. If you would like to receive a wonderful dose of “Christmas Spirit”, join me Saturday morning on December 15 at 8:45 a.m. and help me reach out and connect with the people coming to pick up their Christmas Food Basket. We want to make them feel welcome! Many of them do not like asking for help and they find it difficult to make eye contact. That shouldn't be; you can make a difference by showing the love of Christ to all!

Jacquie Czeil

