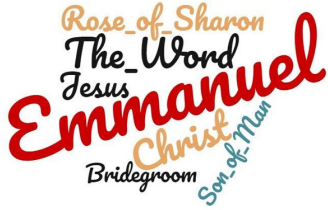




FIRST BAPTIST
COLUMBUS
JOIN OUR Family OF FAITH

Daniel Cash, Senior Pastor
David Brown, Interim Music Minister



December Messenger

The Names of Jesus 2019 Advent Series

Dear Friends of First Baptist:

I greet you in the name of Jesus our Lord. This year during the Season of Advent we will be reconnecting with some of the names of Jesus that are found in the Scriptures. I've chosen seven names for the season, which we will expand a bit before and after Advent. Did you know that there are many, many more names for Jesus than just these seven? One resource I looked at shared 56 different names by which our Lord is called. That's how perfect and complete Jesus is – it takes all those names to try and begin to describe him.

Maybe you have your favorite name for Jesus. Do you prefer "Emmanuel"? "The Good Shepherd"? How about the "I Am"? Did you know that Jesus most often referred to himself as "The Son of Man"? Do you know what "the Christ" or "Christos" means? Clue: it is not a last name or surname.

Names are important in the Bible, and they are important in life. What you call someone helps determine your relationship with that one. I look forward to worshipping with you during Advent and discovering more about these names as we prepare ourselves for Christmas. Here's a preview of the Sundays and names to come:

"The Names of Jesus"

Nov. 24 – Thanksgiving Sunday
Name: "Christ"
Scripture: Colossians 1:11-20

Dec. 1 – 1st Advent
Name: "The Word"
Scripture: John 1:1-14

Dec. 8 – 2nd Advent
Name: "Son of Man"
Scripture: Matthew 16:13

Dec. 15 – 3rd Advent
Name: "Rose of Sharon"
Chancel Choir Musical

Dec. 22 – 4th Advent
Name: "Emmanuel"
Scripture: Mt 1:18-25

Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve
Name: "Jesus"
Scripture: Lk 1:26-38; 2:1-14

Dec. 29 – Christmastide
Name: "Bridegroom"
Scripture: Luke 5:33-35



***We Wish You a Joyous Season as you prepare to welcome the King of Kings and Lord of Lords!
May you rejoice in the name is the above all other names – the name of "Jesus"***

Merry Christmas from the First Baptist – Columbus Staff:

Dan Cash

David Brown

Laura Friedrich

Donna Tull

Barry Ferrill

Dortha Anderson

Carla Williams

Melissa Hernandez

Around The Church



Breakfast with the Angels
Saturday, December 7
9:30-11:00 a.m.



Once again this year we will be sharing a special Advent Children's event - "Breakfast with the Angels." All children are welcome, with their parents, grandparents, or other family members. We will share breakfast, crafts of the season, and a story time. This is a great way to begin the Advent season with the child(ren) in your life. Come join us!

Special Called Business Meeting
Sunday, December 8
10:30 a.m. - immediately following worship

For the purpose of approving the budget and electing new officers to the church council.



Chancel Choir Musical
Sunday, December 15
During Worship



On Sunday, Dec. 15, the Chancel Choir will be presenting the Christmas cantata "The Winter Rose", by Joseph and Pamela Martin. It is a lovely cantata, complete with soaring melodies, special soloists, and even a beautiful tapestry of actual roses that will adorn the front of the sanctuary as the music unfolds. This Advent, we are considering some of the various names for Jesus, and so it is appropriate that we sing a cantata about Christ, the Rose of Sharon. Roses are special; they symbolize love and peace and beauty, and in the church, they represent an expression of faith that speaks from the heart. Plan to come and bring a friend!



Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Tuesday, December 24
7:00 p.m.



Around The Church

From Pastor David.....



Dear FBC friends,

I love the music of Christmas. It does pose a dilemma for a music leader like myself though. There are too many wonderful anthems and Christmas selections to choose from, and I can't do them all! But I want you to know that the music that is being prepared for this Advent season at First Baptist will be very beautiful. Some lovely anthems, a wonderful Christmas cantata, some brass playing, some bells ringing; you will want to be in worship each Sunday during December!

Susan and I have also been working with a Community Children's Choir in Hope, and we are presenting a Children's Christmas Musical called "Wise Guys And Starry Skies" on Sunday, Dec. 8 at 6 :00 pm at First Baptist Church of Hope. We invite you to come and hear the beautiful children's voices.

My prayer for you is that this Christmas season will be a blessed one, and that you will experience the joy of worshipping the birth of the Christ-Child anew.

Gloria in Excelsis Deo,
Pastor David

WHAT'S NEW IN THE LIBRARY?



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|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| BETH WISEMAN | - LISTENING FOR LOVE |
| " " | - HEARTS IN HARMONY |
| MARGARET BROWLEY | - OLD WEST CHRISTMAS BRIDES |
| CHRIS FABRY | - OVERCOMER |
| JANE KIRKPATRICK | - ONE MORE RIVER TO CROSS |
| COLLEEN COBLE | - STRANDS OF TRUTH |
| BEVERLY LEWIS | - THE TIMEPIECE |
| " " | - THE TENDERBOX |
| WANDA BRUNSTETTER | - BRIDES OF BIG VALLEY |
| DAVID PATTERSON | - ONE CHANCE |



We are very appreciative of our caring church family for the cards, notes and calls we received at the time of the passing of my brother, Bob Rogerson. We also thank the Adult Study Fellowship for the memorial gift. It is comforting to know we were in your thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely,
Judy & Bob Rhude



Coffee Bar Host
December: Jennifer Kelley

Coffee Fellowship - December 29
Last Names Q-Z are invited to bring snacks to share.

This Month's Leadership

Pastoral Care Team

Dec. 1 - Tim & Paula Pickup
Dec. 8 - Carolyn Baker & Sue Hoffman
Dec. 15 - Ron & Peggy Lane
Dec. 22 - Dortha Anderson & Mandy Reed
Dec. 29 - Daryl & Dot McMath

Emergency Responders

Dec. 1 - Kim Hamon
Dec. 8 - Mike Compton
Dec. 15 - Forest Daugherty
Dec. 22 - Kim Hamon
Dec. 29 - Roberta Walls

Jan. 5 - Judy Rhude
Jan. 12 - Mike Compton
Jan. 19 - Forest Daugherty
Jan. 26 - Kim Hamon

Serving in the Nursery This Month

December 1

Nursery Worship—Sue Hoffman & Carol Poe
Toddler Worship—Carolyn Baker & Nolan Pickup

December 8

Nursery Worship—Kayla Jones & Lucy Cash
Toddler Worship—Charlotte Oestreicher & Susan Carter

December 15

Nursery Worship—Deborah & Molly Nelson
Toddler Worship—Jennifer Kelley & Heidi Jones

December 22

Nursery Worship—Diane & Ashley Ginn
Toddler Worship—Joy Langdon & Anita Burton

December 29

Nursery Worship—
Toddler Worship—Judy Rhude & Paulette McClintock

Children's Sunday School

1st Sunday

4's - grade 2:
Grade 3-6: Stephanie Olson

2nd Sunday

4's - grade 2: Marcia Cheek
Grade 3-6: Terri Ketterling

3rd Sunday

4's - grade 2: Linda Reid
Grade 3-6: Beth Caldwell

4th Sunday

4's - grade 2: Deanna Glick
Grade 3-6: Anita Yancey

5th Sunday

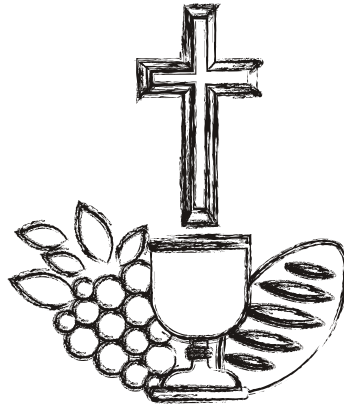
No children's ministry opportunity today.
Children will stay with their parents in
worship on those 5th Sundays.

Communion

December Communion

SANCTUARY SERVERS:

Teresa Arbuckle
Dick Miller
Joe Hamon
Frank Eldridge
John McKay
Wayne Lovelace
Bill Baker
Linda Foster
David Emmert



HOMEBOUND SERVERS:

Janet Bailey
Linda Foster
Teresa Arbuckle
Nathan Patrick
Charlotte Oestreicher
Carol Poe

COMMUNION PREPARATION:

Adam & Missy Zimmerman

CLEAN UP:

Bill Baker, Frank Eldridge
Wayne Lovelace, Joe Hamon

January Communion

SANCTUARY SERVERS:

Cliff Putterill
Sue Putterill
Ron Lane
Molly Nelson
Daryl McMath
Dick Miller
David Emmert
John McKay
Keith Arbuckle

HOMEBOUND SERVERS:

Janet Bailey
Charlotte Oestreicher
Larry Carter
Nathan Patrick
Susan Carter
Linda Foster

COMMUNION PREPARATION:

Bill & Carolyn Baker

CLEAN-UP:

Sue Putterill, Daryl McMath
Bill Baker, Cliff Putterill

Anyone who would like to assist with communion, please contact the church office, 812-376-3321.

If you know of a member of the church that is home bound, and not currently receiving home bound communion and may like to receive it, please let the church office know and the communion team will make contact with them.



Mission

Love Chapel Christmas Pantry

This year, the Love Chapel will be doing things a little differently for the Christmas Pantry. Instead of folks wandering through the stacks of food and filling their shopping carts, food and related items will be pre-packed into standardized hampers. Over this past year, the Mission Team has been looking for mission opportunities that will allow more members of the congregation to be able to participate and even to invite others to join in. As a result, we have approached the Love Chapel with a view to assembling a team of FBC folks to get together to pack hampers for the pantry a few days before the doors open. The packing will take place on Friday, December 6 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. at the Fair Oaks Mall in the shop that was the Hibbett Sports Store. There is no limit to the number of members on the team so all are welcome to sign up and invite others to join us. Sign-up sheet will be on the desk beside the kitchen. Please contact Cliff or Sue Putterill if you have any questions or suggestions.

THANK
YOU

First Baptist Church family,

Thank you so much for the Seeds of Love 5K which was a huge success! The weather was great and everyone had a great time! As you know, the needs in our community are growing quickly. We are averaging 4500 people a month at the pantry, 40 people a night at the shelter and up to 85 people a night being served at Hot Meal Sites. Your support and the proceeds from the race make a difference in people's lives!

Thank You,
Kelly Daugherty, Love Chapel Director

Local Opportunity for Giving During the Holiday Season

Turning Point is in need of **new items** for its Holiday Store. Clients, including the children, can shop for gifts for their family. Your donations will help families have a wonderful holiday season that they may not otherwise experience. A list of suggested items follows on the next page. Boxes will be available starting November 24 for your donations. The last Sunday to accept items is December 15. **Please do not wrap items.** Thank you for your consideration of this need in our community.

Judy Rhude, for the Missions Team



Mission

Turning Point Suggested Items

(New Items Only, Please)

Donations of gift wrap, gift bags, tape, ribbons, bows, and tissue paper are appreciated.

All Age Groups:

Aftershave/Cologne for Men
Art Kits
Bakeware
Blankets/Throws
Board Games (all age groups)
Books (all age groups)
Bowls (mixing/cereal/serving)
Candles
Colored Pens/Pencils/Gel Pens
Coloring Books (all age groups)
Cooking Utensils
Crayons
Crock Pots
Dishes
DVD Movies (all age groups)
Ear Buds/Headphones
Flat Iron for Hair
Hair Accessories
Hair Dryer
Insulated Tumblers
Jewelry (earrings/necklaces)
Jewelry Making Kits
Journals & Pens
Lotion
Lunch Boxes (Adults & Children)
Make-up and Make-up brushes
Nail Polish
Perfume
Phone Chargers (various brands)
Pillows
Plastic Storage Containers
Pots & Pans
Puzzles
Razors
Sheet Sets (twin/queen)
Silverware
Throw Rugs
Toiletries (soap/shampoo/conditioner)
Tooth Brushes
Toothpaste
Towels & Wash Cloths
TracPhones (with minutes)
Umbrellas
Water Bottles

Infants/Toddlers:

Diapers
Dolls
Games - age appropriate
Pajamas
Stuffed Animals
Teething Toys
Toys - age appropriate
Walk Behind Toys

Elementary:

Backpacks
Barbie Accessories
Barbie Dolls
Character Pillows
Dolls
Etch-a-Sketch
Imaginext sets
Legos Sets
Match Box Car Tracks
Match Box Cars
Mr. Potato Head
Paw Patrol Items
PlayDoh
PlayDoh accessories
Remote Control Toys
Stuffed Animals
Super Hero Toys
Synch Bags
Tonka Toys
Tractors
Trucks

Teens / Tweens:

Amazon Fire Tablets
Amazon Fire Tablet Case
Baseballs
Basketballs
Cinch Sacks (Adidas, Under Armour, etc.)
Footballs
School Spirit Wear / items
Soccer Balls
Volley Balls
Volley Ball Net

Gift Cards:

Aldi
Big Lots
Circle K
City Bus Passes
Dollar General
Five Below
JayC Store
Kroger
Lowe's
Mastercard
Meijer
Menards
Movie Theatre
Restaurants
Speedway
Target
TJ Maxx
Visa
Walmart / Sam's Club

December Birthdays

1. ~ Jackie Martin
7. ~ Evan Babb
12. ~ Jane Riley
16. ~ Ken Tull
20. ~ Charlotte Oestreicher
23. ~ Carla Williams



25. ~ Dortha Anderson, Larry Mayfield
26. ~ Larry Carter, Phillip Watkins
28. ~ Roger Glick
29. ~ Beth Caldwell, Joyce Fonner, John Lipson
30. ~ Pat Evans, Kelli Fitzgerald
31. ~ Mike Compton

The Body of Christ Prays For...



*Betty Euler, Roselyn Hoff, K.M. George, Cecil & Linda Workman, Anna DeHaven, Carl & Nancy Williams, Marcia Battle, Alvin Arbuckle, Marilyn Estell, Leland Robertson, Heidi Putterill, Don & Nancy Hughes, Randy Wheeler, Margaret Nelson, Mary Garten, Kyle Olson, Ro Whittington.

*Worship Pastor Search Team as they continue their work.

Looking Ahead

Sunday, Dec. 1 - Advent Study begins (10:45 am during 2nd Hour)
Tuesday, Dec. 3 - Hannah Circle (2:00 pm)
Wednesday, Dec. 4 - Adult Education Team (6:00 pm)
Friday, Dec. 6 - Christmas Pantry Packing Party (9:00-11:00 am) (at Fair Oaks Mall - old Hibbett Sports store)
Saturday, Dec. 7 - Breakfast with the Angels (9:30-11:00 am)
Sunday, Dec. 8 - Special Called Business Meeting (10:30 am)
Sunday, Dec. 8 - Wings for the Journey Memorial Service (5:30 pm) (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday, Dec. 11 - Four Seasons Mending (9:00 am)
Wednesday, Dec. 11 - Worship Planning Team (5:00 pm)
Saturday, Dec. 14 - Choir Dress Rehearsal (9:00 am)
Sunday, Dec. 15 - Newsletter Deadline
Sunday, Dec. 15 - Choir Cantata (during Worship)
Tuesday, Dec. 17 - Church Council (7:00 pm)
Tuesday, Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service (7:00 pm)
Wednesday-Friday, Dec. 25-27 - Church Office Closed - Merry Christmas!
Sunday, Dec. 29 - Pitch-In Coffee Fellowship (Last names Q-Z)

Service: Sunday Morning - Worship 9:30 am 2nd Hour Learning 10:45 am

Live streaming available for Sunday Services

- To view on your PC, go to sundaystreams.com/go/fbccolumbus, or access through the link at the top right of our homepage, firstbaptistcolumbus.org
- To view on a mobile device, download the Sundaystreams app from the App Store or Google Play. Password is fbccolumbus