

Announcements

Called Business Meeting: There will be a Called Business Meeting today following the worship service to consider the Election of Deacons, Election of Ministry Teams and adoption of the proposed 2018 Budget.

Christmas Music Celebration: Everyone is invited to our Christmas Music Celebration tonight at 6:00pm. Our Adult Choir and Praise Band will be singing and playing a variety of Christmas Music for your enjoyment.

Blood Drive: There will be an American Red Cross blood drive here at the church on Monday, December 18th, from 3pm to 7:30pm. Laney Dixon will be hosting this event.

Men's Breakfast: All the men are invited to meet at *Stacks Kitchen* in Waxhaw on Thursday, December 21st, at 8:30 am for breakfast. See Joe Pomykacz if you have questions.

Christmas Eve Service: We will have a Family Christmas Eve Service on Sunday, December 24th, at 6pm. Please join your church family for this special time of celebration in remembering the birth of our Savior.

FBCW Office: Please note that the church office will be closed on Monday, December 25th and Tuesday, December 26th.

No Wednesday Evening Activities: There will be no Wednesday evening activities on December 27th.

March to Missions Commitment Card: Its not too late to hand in your March to Missions Commitment Card. Extras cards can be found at the Connection Desk. Prayerfully consider supporting our missions effort for 2018. We have set our March to Missions goal at \$25,000 again for this coming year. Completed cards can be dropped off to the church office.

December 10, 2017

Extended Care: 11

Offering: \$11,749.00

Sunday School: 113

Adventure in Faith: \$175

Worship: 103

10-10-10 to date: \$620

Total Attendance: 114

March To Missions Update:

2017 Goal: \$25,000

Total Faith Promises: \$10,010

Given to date: \$14,804.66

Our mission is to actively seek to fulfill the Great Commission of Jesus Christ found in Matthew 28:19-20. Individuals may present themselves for membership at FBCW in one of the following ways by coming forward at the invitation time at the conclusion of the service.

1. PROFESSION OF FAITH. By opening your heart to the love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ you become a part of God's forever family. Invite Him to come into your life and be your Savior and Lord. Come forward to openly identify with Him and His Church.
2. TRANSFER OF LETTER. You are a Baptist who needs a church home. Your church membership is some other place, God has led you to this fellowship. We need you and you need us. Join with us today!
3. STATEMENT OF FAITH. You are coming from another denomination. You have been baptized as a believer in Jesus Christ by immersion and want to be part of our fellowship. We welcome you. Come link your life with us.
4. BELIEVER'S BAPTISM. You either 1) have been baptized prior to coming to know Christ as your Savior or 2) have never been baptized. Now you want to be obedient to the instruction of Christ for all who know Him to follow Him in baptism.



Sam Roach, Pastor

Edgar Horton, Minister of Music and Outreach

David Lowe, Director of Student Ministries

Georgia Channels, Children's Ministry Director

Kerry Drew, Weekday Preschool Director

Kim McCranie, Secretary

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Order Of Service

December 17, 2017

Ellen Mast - Keyboard

Prelude

Ellen Mast

Song (Insert)

*For Unto Us a Child Is Born/
Open the Eyes of My Heart*

Adult Choir

Welcome & Invocation

Pastor Sam

Hymn #278

Angels We Have Heard on High

Hymn #261

Away in a Manager

Offertory Prayer

Frank Burroughs

Offertory Music

Ellen Mast

Message in Song

Glory in the Highest

Pastor Edgar

Message

***Control or Character?
Luke 1:57-80***

Pastor Sam

Song of Response #354

I Cannot Tell

Closing Song (Insert)

I Have Seen the Light

Deacon for the week: Frank Burroughs

Sermon Notes

December 17, 2017

Control or Character?

Luke 1:57-80

Wednesday Evening Schedule Change

Beginning January 1, 2018, there will be new times and formats for several of our weekly activities as follows:

- The Wednesday evening Ladies Bible Study will be moving from Wednesday to Sunday nights.
- Adults and Youth will join for congregational singing and prayer for approximately 25 minutes on Sunday nights at 6 p.m. Afterwards, the students and those in the Ladies Bible Study will go upstairs while the other adults will stay in the worship center for a time of Bible teaching.
- While we will no longer meet for prayer at the church property on Wednesdays, I'll be sending out a short prayer devotional based on the Sunday morning message for everyone to use at home. Parents, especially, I encourage you to use the devotional as a tool to assist you in praying together with your youth and children. We will continue to send out the weekly prayer sheet via email.
- TeamKID will continue to meet at 6 p.m. on Sunday nights.
- Nursery will continue to be provided at 6 p.m. on Sunday nights.
- Choir and instrumentalists will no longer practice on Wednesdays, but will rehearse together on Sundays at 5 p.m.

December Scripture Passages

December 24th: Luke 2:1-52

December 31st: Guest Speaker, David Lowe

Wednesday Night Schedule

6:00 pm-6:30 pm	Praise Band & Instrumental Rehearsal
6:30 pm-7:30 pm	Preschool & Children's Program
6:30 pm-7:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
6:30 pm-7:30 pm	Prayer and Praise for Adults & Youth Activities
7:30 pm-8:45 pm	Choir Practice