

-Announcements-

Birthdays this week

Simon Nester (today), John Smith (12/11),
Randy Howard, Megan Jones (12/12),
Victoria Poe (12/15), Evie Glazzard (12/16)

TONIGHT:

- ~Choir practice at 4 PM.
- ~Cantata practice at 5 PM.
- ~Bible Study with Pastor Ben at 6 PM.
- ~Youth "hang-out" in the FBC gym 6 to 7:30 PM.
- ~Churchwide Business Meeting at 7 PM. (2024 proposed budgets to be distributed; voting on the budget will be 1/14/24.)



Christmas caroling and hot chocolate for **EVERYONE** Tuesday, 12/12. Meet at the church at 6:30 PM.

Ann Graves Mission Group members, please note that the time of the December meeting has been changed to 12:30 for this Wednesday, 12/13, at The Dutch Haus.

Youth Group Christmas Party **THIS** Wednesday, 12/13, 6:45 to 8:15. All teens, please bring a wrapped \$5 gift!



THIS Friday, 12/15, and Saturday, 12/16, backpacks from Appalachian Mountain Ministries and Christmas toys from The Greenbrier's Dream Tree project will be distributed from the back of the church building

from 10 AM to 2 PM. Please advise neighbors and friends who might be in need.



FOOD PANTRY
Volunteers

The FBC Men's Brotherhood continues its long-standing ministry partnership with the Food Locker in Lewisburg Saturday, December 16th. Help is needed for food distribution at Old Stone Church at 7:40 AM. Call Herb Ley at 304.497.2116 to volunteer.



The Community Christmas Cantata will be presented next Sunday, 12/17, at 7:30 PM in our sanctuary with a reception in the Fellowship Hall to follow. (Nursery available for children three and under.) The Cantata will also be presented at The Greenbrier's chapel Saturday, 12/16, at 8:30 PM. Plan to be at the depot before 8 PM to ride a shuttle to the chapel.

For those praying about the two mission trip options for this summer, vital info is now at the Welcome Center.



Christmas Eve
Candlelight Service
at 6 PM

December Tithes/Offerings

Regular offering \$11,712.13, Ann Edwards Scholarship \$1,020.00, Lottie Moon Offering \$582.00, Youth Fund \$50.00, Senior Adult Ministry Reimbursement \$70.00, Other \$100.00. Offering plates are up front on both sides of the sanctuary AND in the sanctuary's front foyer. Online giving is available at fbcfairlea.com. Scroll down to "Digital Giving", or text the word "give" to 304.600.7300.



"But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me One who is to be ruler in Israel..."
Micah 5:2

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"Gather, Grow, Go!"

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WELCOME! We are so glad you have chosen to worship together with us this morning! This is a vital part of "Gathering, Growing, and Going". If this is your first time with us, we would love to both give you some information about our church and get some contact information from you so Pastor Ben can connect with you sometime soon.

Welcome and Call to Worship—Isaiah 9:6

Pastor Ben Moses

Worship Song: "Joy to the World", #270 (vv. 1, 2, 4)

Opening Prayer: Deacon Joe Bennett

Lighting of the Advent Candle: The Hardiman Family

Special Music: Tim Holbrook

Adventure Kids' Play: "Coming of Messiah"

God's Message from Isaiah 9:6

"Jesus, Lord at Thy Birth"—Pastor Ben

**Closing Song: "Away in a Manger", #262 (all)
(with Adventure Kids)**

Closing Prayer: Pastor Ben



Sermon Notes



Prayer needs: Jonathan Walker (eye surgery); Aretha Dowdy; Leon Kukura; Vicky & Chuck Kidd (medical); John Smith; Phyllis Harvey; Melissa List; Violet Wright's niece; Cheyanne Shawver; Helen Parker; Cathy Hayes; Ron Whitehair; Hazel Caldwell; Rhett Dixon; Rodena Belcher; Peggy Lockhart; Donna Yates; Lisa White; Norman Ahern; Robbie Bennett; Debbie Holmes; Brandy Feamster; the Clowers; the Associate Pastor Search Committee.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

- Sunday School** at 9:45 AM for ALL ages.
- Nursery** provided during all services.
- Adventure Kids** for children age 3 through 5th grade offered during the 11 AM service.
- AWANA**, the dynamic Bible club children's program, meets Wednesdays from 6:45 to 8:15 for children age 3 (if potty-trained) through 5th grade.
- Youth Group**, for students grades 6-12, also meets Wednesdays at 6:45 PM.

Servant Ministries

Today's Deacon: Joe Bennett

Next week: Eric Fritzius

Sunday School Nursery: Kira Glazzard, Linda Bennett

11:00 Nursery: Herb & Rene Ley

Next week: Kallie Cochran, Jan DeHaven

Adventure Kids: Christmas Play

Next week: Herb Ley, Treva Vass, Kiersten Moses, Beth Shafer

Sound Specialists: Brent O'Dell, Jon O'Dell

Next week: Brent O'Dell, Johnny Shores

Videographer today: Kevin Ahern

Ushers: Dale Vass, Bruce Sloan, Justin Straub, Bob McCroskey

Next week: Justin Douglas, Bill Hoover, Dan Franks, Glenn Camp

Praise Team: Dwayne & Natalie Hoover, Rene Ley

Special music next week: Grace & Ava Douglas