ANNOUNCEMENTS

Birthdays this week:
JoAnn Jones (12/18), Shae Brown (12/19)



Welcome to the FBC Family, Cheyanne and Jeffrey Shawver! So happy you have joined us in membership!



The Community Christmas Choir and Orchestra will present the cantata *Go, Tell It on the Mountain,* TONIGHT at 7:30 PM in our sanctuary with a reception in the Fellowship Hall to follow. *Nursery available for children three and under. Please*

park on the north side of the church if possible so that our guests will have more room to park on the south side (where the main parking area is located).

**Reminder to those who signed up to bring an appetizer or dessert for the cantata reception tonight: Someone will be in the kitchen to receive your treats by 6 PM. Thanks!

From Beth Shafer, FBC Director of Children's Ministries: I'd like to thank our church family and friends who made the Adventure Kids Christmas play possible. It took an army of people doing what they do best, from the sound guys to the seamstresses, the building crew and take down crew, to the parents and members of the play. And thank you to Pastor Ben for his continual support and leadership. The gospel was shared, and we are looking forward to next year!



A special Christmas photo opportunity is available for you, your family, and your friends today and next week near the new Welcome Center.:)





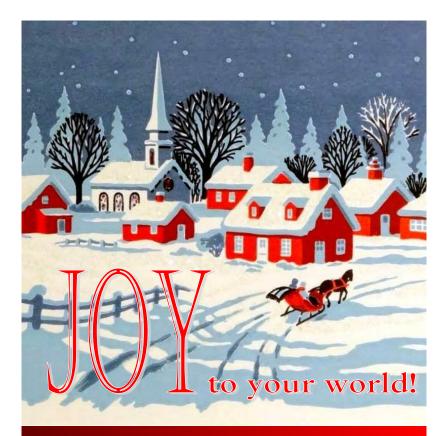
The 2024 personalized offering envelopes are on tables near the Fellowship Hall. Please let the office know if you did not receive a box, and you would like to.

In January FBC's Men's Brotherhood begins a new study of the book Gentle and Lowly by Dane Ortlund. Men, if you wish to offset the cost of the book, you may donate \$12 to Herb Ley or Jenny the Secretary. ALL men are encouraged to take part in this twice-a-month study, with or without purchasing a book yourself. It is truly a wonderful time of fellowship!

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

December Tithes/Offerings

Regular offering \$51,066.13, Ann Edwards Scholarship \$1,040.00, Lottie Moon Offering \$2,117.00, Youth Fund \$50.00, Senior Adult Ministry Reimbursement \$175.00, Building Fund \$50.00, OCC \$1,000.00, Other \$662.00. 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.



"Fear not: For, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy."
Luke 2:10

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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.

Piano Prelude: Harrison Leatherman

Welcome and Call to Worship—1 Timothy 3:16

Pastor Ben Moses

Worship Song: "O Little Town of Bethlehem", #250 (vv. 1, 3, 4)

Opening Prayer: Deacon Eric Fritzius

Lighting of the Advent Candle: The Douglas Family

Special Music: Grace Douglas

Missions Moments: Backpack/Dream Tree Report,

Discipleship Groups: Pastor Ben

Special Music: FBC Choir

Worship Song: "What Child Is This?, #281 (v. 1)

God's Message from Matthew 1:18-25 "Jesus, Lord at Thy Birth"—Pastor Ben

Closing Song: "What Child Is This?", #281 (vv. 2, 3)

Closing Prayer: Pastor Ben

Sermon Notes

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Prayer needs: Jonathan Walker; Aretha Dowdy; Leon Kukura; Vicky & Chuck Kidd; John Smith; Phyllis Harvey; Melissa List; Violet Wright's niece; Cheyanne Shawver; Helen Parker; Ron Whitehair; Hazel Caldwell; Rhett Dixon; Rodena Belcher;

Peggy Lockhart; Donna Yates; Lisa White; Norman Ahern; Robbie Bennett; Debbie Holmes; Brandy Feamster; the Clowsers; 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 Assisting Deacon: Eric Fritzius
Next week: Jerry Reid

Sunday School Nursery: Kira Glazzard, Linda Bennett

11:00 Nursery: Kallie Cochran, Jeannie Hardiman Next week: Travis & Jennifer Bennett

Adventure Kids: Herb Ley, Treva Vass, Kiersten Moses, Beth Shafer

Next week: Adventure Kids will remain in the sanctuary.

Sound Specialists: Brent O'Dell, Johnny Shores Next week: Eric Fritzius, Jon O'Dell

Videographer today: Joey Moses

Ushers: Justin Douglas, Bill Hoover, Dan Franks, Glenn Camp

Next week: Chris Brumfield, Richard Hardiman, Russ Shafer

Praise Team: Ava & Grace Doulgas, Rene Ley

Special music next week: FBC Choir