

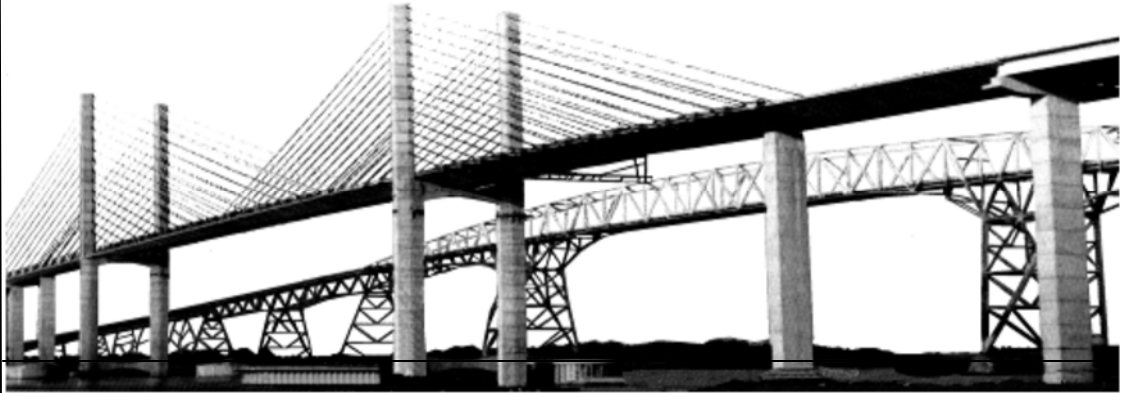
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The Bridge Builder



WORSHIP WITH US THIS
CHRISTMAS



Sunday, December 13 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, December 20 10:30 a.m.

Thursday, December 24 6:00 p.m.
Candlelight Lord's Supper

Friday, December 25 8:00 a.m.
Merry Christmas

Sunday, December 27 10:30 a.m.

BK'S KORNER

I guess by now everyone is starting to gear up for Christmas. You've probably already began shopping, decorating and planning the holidays for how you will get to see everyone. Don't forget to plan on how you will make Jesus the reason for the season.

You can begin by joining us each Sunday for Worship. During the month of December I am preaching a sermon series on "A Baby Changes Everything." If that sounds familiar it is because it is the name of the musical/drama that we will present at the end of February. If you intended to sing in the choir for the musical but never made it, then this is kind of like a reset. I feel certain Debbie wouldn't mind if you joined us now.

I am also planning to have our Christmas Eve and Christmas morning services. Join us on Thursday December 24 for our Christmas Eve Lord's Supper service. It is a special time that really drives home why we celebrate Christmas. Then on Christmas morning meet us here at the church at 8 am for a very short and informal time to gather. I really see this more as a family gathering. Don't dress up (wear your pajama pants if you wish). We will sing a couple of carols and I'll share a little something. It will be very short but again, it will put our hearts on Jesus where they need to be this Holiday Season.

We are starting to phase back into our church activities. This coming Sunday we will begin Sunday School again. If your class' teacher isn't back yet, there will be a place for you. For everyone, every age. It may not be ideal but there will be a place. We will also meet on Wednesday night, December 16. This will be a business meeting.

So whenever you are ready please come back. Continue to be careful and take care of yourself and each other when you do.

Hope to see you in person very soon. Remember: The more you miss church; the less you miss it.

Blessings and prayers

BK ><>



Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

National Goal: \$175 Million

Our Goal: \$6,500.00

Receipts to Date: \$5,905.00

Every Tuesday at 10 a.m. Join the Ladies' in the Prayer Room to lift up those in our church and community in prayer!

At 7:00 p.m. the Men meet in the Church office for prayer.

STAFF GIFT

Dear First Family

Once again, it is the season when we celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Through this miraculous birth, God has given us the opportunity to receive His free gift of Salvation.

We want to thank God for all the great things He has done and is going to do in our church. May He be honored and glorified in all that we do.

Our church staff is dedicated and works hard all year to do their tasks in a Christian manner. They seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit to lead us in worship and ministry. In appreciation of our staff, we are inviting church members to them a monetary love gift for Christmas.

If you would like to contribute put your gift in an envelop marked Staff Gift and drop it in the offering plate or turn it in to the church office. We would like to give this gift on Sunday, December 20. If you plan to participate, we need your gift before this time. May God bless you and your family.

Merry Christmas,

Deacons of First Baptist Church
Russell Allen, Chairman
Robert Simonton, Vice Chairman
Darrell Segura, Secretary.

MISSION REPORT

We will Collect for the Cancer Center at Baptist Hospital in Beaumont on the 27th of November. If you need a list of items, you can contact the office. Sunday School Classes can give the items you usually give or you can select another. Thank you for being a giving Church Family. We know we can't out give God.

Don't forget to bring your Lottie Moon offering for the month of December. Thank you Shirley Lynd for our poster board. It is a beautiful reminder to us to give. Thank you Bro. Keith for keeping this in our minds every Sunday. Let's not let our children out-five us Adults.

Our Quilters will start back soon. Watch the Builder for the time we will be back. Buckners is still a closed campus. We have enough quilts to go, we are just waiting on the green light.

GOD BLESS FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH and their giving heart.

Imogene Ernst



Night Strike ministers to the homeless community in the Beaumont area. Each year they host what they call "Christmas In The Park" at Weiss Park in Beaumont for the homeless community. This year's event is on December 19 from 4:00 — 8:00 p.m. I hope you will open your heart to this most needy part of our community. I want to collect the following items:

Sleeping bags Black tube socks
Back packs Gloves
Tennis shoes (men or women) Various Sizes.

WORSHIP DIRECTOR

ALL FOR HIS GLORY.....

When I start out to write one of these little articles each week, I always think that there's no way I will be able to come up with anything to write about. The Lord seems to always call my attention to something that helps me. I always sign my article For His Glory, so I started there this morning.

I Corinthians 10:31 "So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God".

All glory belongs to God. When I think about all of the hours and minutes there are in each day, it brings new meaning to the scripture above...."whatever you do".

I remembered something our Pastor said in one of his sermons to start the day off by saying, Good morning God. I thought that could be a reminder throughout the day, when you tell the cashier at the store good morning or have a blessed day. When you tell your co-worker good morning, how was your weekend? When you start your daily tasks, answering the phone, sending the e-mails, paying the bills, etc. Each and every little thing being done to the glory of God.

Sometimes I think that we believe that God is not concerned with all of the small things we do throughout the day, but eating and drinking are very basic actions that we do without thinking and yet the Lord says to do these also to His glory.

I think if we practice each day of the week to do all things.....then when we come together on Sunday for worship, we will certainly be ready!

A BABY CHANGES EVERYTHING MUSICAL/DRAMA –

Our musical/drama has been rescheduled for Sunday, February 28, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

We have begun drama and choir practice again this past week. These are certainly challenging times for even the smallest activity we do. This musical is a large undertaking with many people sacrificing their time and talents to help bring "All the Glory to God" in this endeavor.

We believe this is God's will that we move ahead with A Baby Changes Everything and we covet your prayers for all of us involved in this offering for our Lord.

For His Glory,
Debbie

NURSERY WORKERS
December 13, 2020



Thelma Wheelis
Connie Claus

Volunteers always needed. Please call
Thelma Wheelis at 409.293.6276.

LOOK AT THE RECORDS
December 6, 2020

Projected Budget Need:	439,060.37
Weekly Receipts:	8,991.72
Actual Budget Receipt to Date:	441,890.63
Actual Budget Spending to Date:	431,491.28

ATTENDANCE:
Sunday School

WORSHIP SERVICE:
Worship
Nursery
TOTAL WORSHIP ATTENDANCE 56

DEACON OF THE WEEK
December 13— December 19, 2020

Darrell Segura	Deacon
Hiram Clark	Visiting Partner

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Keith Royal	Pastor
Dewey Stuart	Interim Youth Director
Debbie Anderson	Worship Director

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
7:30 — 5:30
MONDAY — THURSDAY

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

Sunday, December 13, 2020

9:15 Bible Study for all Ages
10:30 Morning Worship
4:00 Deacon's Meeting

5:30 NO Evening Activities

Tuesday, December 15, 2020

10:00 Ladies Prayer Meeting
7:00 Men's Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, December 16, 2020

6:30 Church Conference

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