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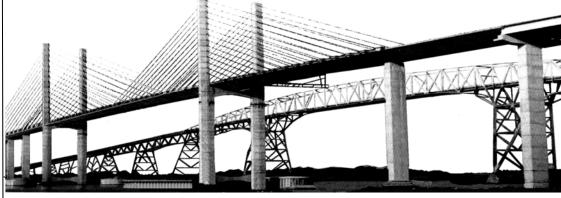
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### Candlelight Lord's Supper

Friday, December 24 5:30 p.m.

**Christmas Morning Worship** 

Saturday, December 25 8:00 a.m.

#### **BK'S KORNER**

Let's try an experiment this Christmas Season. Let's be intentional about making Christ a focal point in the season and see what happens. Read the Christmas story, share with your family the difference Jesus has made in your life, attend a worship service together as a family. Do whatever you can to make sure that you put some attention on Jesus.

The Angels announced to the shepherds that the birth of Jesus was good news and was an occasion of great joy! It was good and joyous news because it meant that we now have a Savior. One who can reconcile us to God. One who can open the way to heaven for us. One who can fill us with His joy!

So, let's try that experiment and see if it doesn't give this Christmas Season a little different flavor. A flavor of joy!

You are invited to bring the family and join us for any gathering this week. There is no Bible Study this Wednesday. On Friday we will have a candle-light Lord's Supper Service beginning at 5:30 pm. Saturday morning at 8 am we will have a family gathering. We will be reminded of the birth of our Savior through a very short movie we will watch. Of course we will also have regular services on Sunday. Bible study at 9:15 and Worship at 10:30. Please join us!

Another thing to remember during this Christmas Season is that Jesus will be coming again! At just the right time God will send His Son to get His bride. That would be His church. His bride, the church, will then be with Him forever.

I want to thank you all for the Christmas Gift you gave to the staff. Truly we are here to serve you. We serve the Lord by serving you.

Everyone have a great Christmas. Love on your family. Eat too much. Take a nap. Focus on Jesus.

BK ><>

#### SETBA & FBCBC PRESENTS

# 2022 FOCUS evangelism

Wednesday, January 5, 2022 6:30 p.m. FBCBC Sanctuary

Music led by The Whisnants Message by Dr. Herb Reavis

#### MISSION REPORT

Baskets are placed in the Welcome Center for the items we are collecting for the Baptist Hospital Cancer Center. These items will be delivered at the end of each month. There is a list of items needed in the Welcome Center.



Together We Reach the Nations!
Our Goal: \$8,500.00
Receipts to date: \$3,048.00

#### **WORSHIP DIRECTOR**

#### JOY TO THE WORLD ...

We continue to enjoy our beautiful Christmas decorations in our sanctuary each Sunday as we join together to worship our Lord, and to celebrate His birth. This past Sunday was no exception, as we sang about His birth and recounted all our blessings as we sang the song, That's Why We Praise Him.

There are so many reasons to praise God, but during this season of Christmas, so many blessings come to light. One, and not the least of these, is family. We look forward to seeing ones who we don't get to see very often and it is a joy.

I loved the sermon yesterday as our Pastor pointed out how we need to be intentional with our putting God first in our celebration. It's easy to get with family, open our gifts, laugh and talk and reminisce about all the old times and forget what the season is all about. Forget that the reason we have our families is because of God and His creation.

But, of course, the ultimate, indescribable gift that God has given us is Jesus.

He came to live, live a perfect life
He came to be the Living Word, our Light
He came to die, so we'd be reconciled
He came to rise to show His power and might
That's why we praise Him!!

#### MORE THAN JUST A MAN...

We continued choir practice this past Sunday for our Easter musical and I thank everyone who was able to attend. It is a very busy time for us all and not everyone could make it.

I hope and pray that you all are having a wonderful Christmas celebration and that God's blessings fill your life.

We are taking a break this week from drama practice. I love you all and thank you so much for the part you are playing in our musical.

For His glory, Debbie

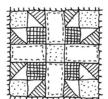
#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

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Christmas Morning Service December 25 at 8:00 a.m.

SETBA Evangelism Conference January 5, 2021 6:30 p.m. At FBC, BC

#### QUILTING FOR BUCKNERS



Anyone who can snip threads, sort fabric, press seams or just fellowship. Join us on Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the old Adult 7 Sunday school class room. We are working on quilts to be donated to

the children at Buckners. We need with us. For more information call Imogene Ernst at 409.313.3468.

#### PRAYER Changes Things



Our Ladies Prayer Group meets on Monday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the Prayer Room.

Our Men meet on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Office Meeting Room.

If you have a special prayer need, please let our Ladies or Men's Prayer group know so that they can pray for you specifically.

#### LOOK AT THE RECORDS

#### **December 19, 2021**

Projected Budget Need: 467,085.50 Weekly Receipts: 9,303.86 Actual Budget Receipt to Date: 452,591.41 Actual Budget Spending to Date: 473,926.11

**ATTENDANCE:** 

Sunday School 95

**WORSHIP SERVICE:** 

Worship 128 Nursery 4 TOTAL WORSHIP ATTENDANCE 132

### **DEACON OF THE WEEK**

December 26 — January 1, 2022

Donnie Stanton

Deacon

Billy Crull

Visiting Partner

#### OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

Sunday, December 26, 2021

9:15 Bible Study for all Ages 10:30 Morning Worship 4:00 Musical Rehearsal

Monday, December 27, 2021

10:00 Ladies Prayer Meeting

Tuesday, December 28, 2021

6:30 Men's Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, December 29, 2021

6:30 Prayer Meeting
Youth Fellowship
& Preteen Bible Study
Children's Choir

## PROPOSED 2022 BUDGET AVAILABLE NOW!



The proposed 2022 Budget is available in the Sanctuary and Welcome Center. We will vote to approve this

budget at our regularly scheduled business meeting on January 12, 2022.

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