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Hope

Colossians 1:27

Join us this Sunday, November 25 for the beginning of
Dr. Wood's Advent sermon series.

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Gift

CHRISTMAS 2018
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH MIDLAND

FBC members may sign up to volunteer via VOMO or in person this Sunday, November 25 in the Welcome Center. Childcare (birth- 6th Grade) will be provided for all volunteers.

Both Christmas gifts, toys & food boxes are to be dropped off at the Fellowship Hall on the following days & times: **Saturday, December 1**, 10:00am-5:00pm, **Sunday, December 2**, 8:00am-12:00pm & 4:00pm-7:00pm, **Monday, December 3 & Tuesday, December 4**, 3:00pm-7:00pm

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Dr. Darin Wood
Senior Pastor

This Sunday, November 25

8:25 & 11:05 a.m. Services

Advent Sermon Series begins

"HOPE" - Colossians 1:27

6:00 p.m. Service

Dr. Wood will be preaching

From the Pastor

Dear First Family,

Grace and Peace to each of you this Thanksgiving week! I wanted to say thanks for the amazing response we had to our Thanksgiving meal and to our adoption for The Gift! Your servant-nature, generosity and Christ-like love make us who we are and I'm deeply grateful for it. May God bless you for your kindness and giving hearts.

THE GIFT VOLUNTEER MEETING

On December 2nd at 3:30 PM, we will gather a meeting for all those who are volunteering (or would like to volunteer) with The Gift. We'll be discussing the final details of The Gift. This will be your chance to volunteer and learn how you can serve the families of those we've partnered with. I said this Sunday at the close of one of our services – I believe the closest you'll come to Christ is when you're serving people. My prayer is that you'll join us for this opportunity to serve. If you're interested in joining us in Kenya, this is your kickoff event. Come practice serving now.

"THE KING IS HERE" MUSICAL – December 9th

At the end of our "The Gift" weekend is our Christmas Musical, "The King is Here." Our combined choirs – adult, children, youth – will join our orchestra and instrumentalists to bring a wonderful worship experience in our 6 PM service. I invite you to join us

ADVENT GUIDES ARE AVAILABLE

As difficult as it is for me to believe, Advent begins this Sunday. As such, our Advent guides will be out beginning this weekend. You can find them in our Welcome Center. They don't actually begin until December 1st so if you miss getting one this weekend, you can pick one up the following and only have missed one day. Let this be the beginning of a spiritual discipline that jump-starts your 2019.

A GIFT GIVING QUESTION

One of the questions I get this time of year is "Which Bible translation is best for gift giving?" My answer – the one you'll read! In all seriousness, it's difficult to go wrong with the English Standard Version (a faithful and quite literal translation), the New International

Version (a strong translation and very readable to us) or, for the more adventurous, The Message (a true translation, but done in a manner that emphasizes readability and clarity). The stand-by King James and New King James are also wonderful. The best version is the one you connect with. Make reading through the Bible in 2019 a primary goal.

Your pastor,

Darin

MONTHLY CHURCH CONFERENCE

**Wednesday, November 28 at 6:00 p.m.
in the Fellowship Hall**

Approval of minutes (October 28, 2018)

Approval of new members

Grant Church letters

Reports

1. Church Council Chairman
2. Personnel Committee Chairman
3. Finance Committee Chairman

Old Business

1. Surplus Committee requests

New Business

Other Business

Adjourn

HAPPY THANKSGIVING
THE FBC OFFICES, SOLID ROCK CAFE,
ACTIVITIES BUILDING & MISSIONS
OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE
THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY
NOVEMBER 22 & 23
THERE WILL BE NO ON-CAMPUS
EVENING ACTIVITIES WED., NOV. 21

We're in the Bible App.



Download the latest
version of the Bible App.



FBC Church Council minutes, reports, and other information are available on the website at www.fbc-midland.org/church-council or under the Resources tab on the home page.

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LOTTIE MOON
CHRISTMAS
OFFERING

CHILDREN'S CHOIR NIGHT • WED., DEC. 5

PRESCHOOL PARENTS VISIT CHOIR NIGHT

6:00 pm – Children arrive in regular choir rooms
6:15 pm – Parents of PreK (3s) Choir join in Room A122
for a showcase of songs
6:30 pm – Parents of PreK (4s) & Kinder Choirs join in
JAM Room for musical presentation
Refreshments afterward
5:45 pm – 1st through 6th Grade Choir children arrive at
the **SANCTUARY** for rehearsal. Parents, please stay.
Rehearsal begins with songs the children sing. They will
be dismissed immediately following, around 6:30 pm.



The FBC Worship Ministry presents

THE KING IS HERE

A CHRISTMAS WORSHIP MUSICAL

for Multi-Generational Choirs

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9 • 6:00 PM • WORSHIP CENTER



To see and sign up for the different areas of volunteer service available at First Baptist Church, visit www.fbc-midland.org/vomo. The link will take you to FBC's VOMO (Volunteer Mobilization) page where you can easily connect to service opportunities throughout the year. Try it out today!

FBC Directory Distribution



The directories will be available beginning December 2nd. You may pick up your copy at the reception desk in the Welcome Center before and after each Sunday morning service. Copies of the directory will be available for \$5.00 to those who did not have their picture made, after those who did participate pick up their directories. Look for upcoming information on installing the mobile app for the new directory as well.

THE Gift

DRAMA PRESENTATION
SUN, DEC 2, 5:00 & 7:00PM, FBC CHAPEL

The First Baptist Family cordially invites you to join us for a very special presentation of "The Gift." Find out how the birth of an infant impacted the world, forever. . . and how He can impact your life, too. Admission is free & all are welcome, so please invite your family & friends to join us!

Baby Recognition & Family Dedication



December 2, 2018
during the 8:25 & 11:05 a.m. Services
in the Worship Center

Be sure to come & welcome the newest
FBC members to our family!

For more info, contact Allison at
aashmore@fbc-midland.org or
432.683.0611

Wainscott/Lacy Scholarship

If you are attending a Baptist College, University or Seminary, you are eligible to apply for this scholarship. Applications are in Susan Upham's office for the Spring 2019 semester and must be turned in by December 15.

FBC Church Council minutes, reports, and other information are available on the website at www.fbc-midland.org/church-council or under the Resources tab on the home page.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Friday, Nov. 30, 5:30 - 9:30 p.m.

\$5 per child or maximum of \$15 per family
1st-6th Grades-Activities Building • Preschoolers-A Hallway

**REGISTRATION ENDS
THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25**

To register, please go to: bit.ly/2O80D7W
For more info, contact Allison Ashmore at
aashmore@fbc-midland.org or call 432-683-0611

Limited Space. Walk-ins not accepted.
Pre-registration only, no late/day-of registrations will be accepted.



MOPS • Dec. 7 at 9:00 a.m. in D101-103

Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) registration is open for 2018-2019! MOPS meets on the 1st & 3rd Fridays of the month from 9-11:00AM! Contact Shanna Arnold at 254.396.4247 or shanna_arnold@hotmail.com with more questions. Visit www.fbc-midland.org/ministries/preschool/mops to get a registration form!



REMINDER: 1st Sun. Food Drive, Dec. 2

We are still collecting food for the Baptist C.R.I.S.I.S. Center on the 1st Sunday of each month. There will be boxes around the church where you can drop off your items. Please see the Sunday School Dept. donation list on the back page of this issue.

FBC Lost and Found

If you have lost any personal items at church over the past few months please stop by the FBC Welcome Center and check with our Lost & Found.

Our Deepest Sympathies to...

The family of Mary Holcomb in her recent death.
Kyla Rodgers in the death of her father, Jay Miller.
Phyllis Maxwell in the death of her son-in-law, Sam Houston.

Joyful Congratulations to...

Mr. and Mrs. Jordan Dempsey who were married in the Chapel. Mrs. Dempsey is the former Rachel Hanna.

FBC Artists Needed to Display Paintings

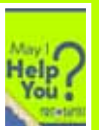


The art displayed on the FBC Art Wall (near the Fellowship Hall) is for any FBC artist. It is enjoyed by our entire membership. If you wish to participate by showing your paintings, please contact Janet Haney at 432.528.5717 or Doris McSparran at 432.683.0618.

FBC Greeter Ministry

Scripture tells us to "Practice Hospitality"
-Romans 12:13

Remember when you were new at FBC? We have a large building and many ministries to help people find. FBC needs you to help us in our effort to greet guests each Sunday during all hours! Everyone can do this ministry and help guests know we are glad they are here. Training will be provided. Contact Larry Grimes lgrimes@fbc-midland.org



Cancer Answers/Prayer Support Quarterly Informational Meetings



This group is for anyone who has dealt with cancer as a patient, caregiver, or family member. CAPS meets quarterly with informational speakers and support. Please contact Janna Boyd for more information at 432.683.0653 or jboyd@fbc-midland.org

Jail Ministry Needs Ladies to Volunteer

The Jail Ministry is looking for ladies to help hold Sunday School at the local jail from 8:45- 10:30 Sunday Mornings. Female volunteers would not have to go every week and would always have a partner with them. If you want to help or have questions, call Louise Goode at 432.683.0656 and leave a message.



Thank you to the 4th & 5th grade GAs for packing Food2Kids boxes!



Cookies/homemade goodies are needed for snack bags, which are delivered to MMH hospital rooms for family and friends of those hospitalized. Please put about 4 in each baggie and put the type of cookie and the date baked on the bag. They will be frozen until they are needed. Please deliver the cookies to Janna Boyd's office.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45AM

Adults

With Anticipation
James 5:7-9; 13-20

Preschool

Jacob's New Name
(Babies - Kindergarten)
Genesis 32-33

Children

God Gave Ten Commandments
(1st - 6th grades)
Exodus 20

Students

Confess & Pray
(7th - 12th grades)
James 5:7-9; 13-20



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KINGDOM WOMEN

Connecting women who seek first His kingdom



WMU Prayer Lunch

Monday, December 3, 2018

11:30am to 1:00pm in D100/102

Hear the latest prayer requests and praises from our FBC Missionaries and Ministries, and enjoy sweet fellowship (\$6 lunch is optional).

MEN'S LUNCHEON

MONDAYS, 11:45AM-1:00PM • \$6 FOR LUNCH

ALWAYS A CHRISTIAN PROGRAM • FELLOWSHIP FOR ALL AGES • COME WITH A PRAYER REQUEST • PRAY WITH OTHER PRAYER WARRIORS • REJOICE IN GOD'S MIRACLES

November 26 - Gary Patterson: The Presidential Museum

For more info, contact Dave Percy (432) 528-4221, or see www.fbc-midland.org/men

WEDNESDAY FAMILY MEAL

Adult Meal \$6/ Hamburger \$4

Salad Bar \$3.50/ Family Plan \$23

Wednesday Family Meal service begins at 4:45pm in the Fellowship Hall. All meals include one dessert and beverage.

NOVEMBER 28

Entree: Taco Salad, Pinto Beans, Chips, Salsa, Queso

Dessert: Tres Leches Pina Colada Cake

ARE YOU IN NEED OF PRAYER?

Call the First Baptist Prayer Line @ 432.683.0683 & rest assured someone is praying for you, today.



FBC NOW HIRING RECEPTIONIST - FULL TIME

For more information contact LaNell Dean, 432.683.0615 or email ldean@fbc-midland.org

Check out our website for complete job descriptions:
fbc-midland.org/about/employment-opportunities

Also visit our Facebook page:

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Live and On-Demand
streaming of Sunday's
message is available at
www.fbc-midland.org

Sunday Morning Services at 8:25 a.m. & 11:05 a.m.

Childcare available for birth - 4 years

Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. (all ages)

Sunday Evening Service at 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Activities 6:00 p.m.

Service Televised weekly at 7:00 a.m. on KOSA (CBS), Channel 7
& 10:00 a.m. on MyTV, Channel 16 (or DirectTV Channel 40)

Televised services are on a one-week tape delay

1st Sunday Food Drive

A reminder! We are still collecting food for the Baptist C.R.I.S.I.S. Center on the 1st Sunday of each month. There will be boxes around the church where you can drop off your items. If you need more information, please call the Missions Office at 432.683.0623

Preschool macaroni & cheese boxes, canned tuna
Grades 1-4 meaty soups, canned pork 'n beans
Grades 5-6 1 lb. corn meal, canned tomatoes
Grades 7-10, Compass 1-2 lb. dry pinto beans, canned tuna
Grades 11-12, College 1-2 lb. dry pinto beans, canned tomato sauce
GAP, Bar-Simon 1-2 lb. dry rice, 1 lb. flour
Andrew 1 lb. sugar, canned pork 'n beans
Song of Solomon, Philip, Rachel ... 1 lb. sugar, 1-2 lb. dry rice, canned tuna
Thomas, Isaac, Peter dry milk (10 pack boxes), meaty soups
Stephen, David 1 lb. sugar, liquid cooking oil, canned tomatoes
Barnabas dry milk (10 pack boxes), cooking oil
Ezekiel dry macaroni, meaty soups, macaroni & cheese boxes
Gabriel, Silent Friends 1-2 lb. dry rice, 1-2 lb. dry pinto beans, canned tomato sauce
Marcos, Compass, Grace dry milk (10 pack boxes), 1-2 lb. dry pinto beans
Nehemiah macaroni & cheese boxes, canned tuna, cooking oil
Joseph, Luke, Refine, As One 1 lb. flour, 1 lb. corn meal, canned tomatoes

"Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness..." ~Psalm 100

WORSHIP

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP TEAM REHEARSALS

Orchestra, 6-7:30 p.m. • Choir, 7-8:00 p.m., Wednesdays
Meet in the Sanctuary/Choir Room

For more info contact Worship Ministry @ 432.683.0618
www.fbc-midland.org/ministries/worship

FBC offers the opportunity for online giving using your smart phone, tablet, or home computer. It's convenient, simple, and secure.

To Give via the FBC Website:

- On your computer browser, visit www.fbc-midland.org/how-to-give
- Click on the "Give Online" link
- Fill out the information requested as either a first-time giver or as a registered user

Text to Give:

- In your smartphone SMS window, text FUNDS to 432-201-3327. You will receive a list of fund names available for donations.
- Text the amount + fund name (i.e. \$10 Lottie Moon) where you want your gift attributed
- First-time donors are prompted to visit a secure URL to register and provide debit card information.
- Once completed the donations will be processed and you will receive a confirmation text.

ShelbyNEXT Giving Smartphone App:

- Visit the Apple or Google Play store to download the ShelbyNEXT | Giving App
- Search for our organization by name (First Baptist Church Midland) or by zip code (79701)
- Select our church and create an account if a first-time user...otherwise, enter your login information
- Click the "Give Now" option at the top of the app.

