

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

10:45 AM Worship Service

Tune in to 104.5 FM for our worship service at 10:45 AM or use the links below for our live stream!

On FBCG Facebook page, at this link:
<https://www.facebook.com/FirstBaptistChurchofGraham>

On FBCG Website, at this link:
<https://fbcgraham.org/sermons-services/>

MONDAY - TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27th & 28th

Church Office Closed

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1

11:00 AM Starfish Team 2 (Take-Out Only)

MONDAY, JANUARY 3

Church Office Closed

Special Year End Offering

As we approach the end of the 2021 year, a deficit remains in our budget for the year. We have the opportunity to fund this deficit before the end of the year and, working together, we can make this a reality. All gifts received or postmarked by December 31st, will be receipted to the 2021 year. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of any additional contribution that you can make.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Tithes & Offerings Needed

Weekly \$5,261 Monthly \$22,796

Tithes & Offerings Received

December 5, 2021	\$3,275
December 12, 2021	\$9,040
December 19, 2021	\$2,231
December 26, 2021	

Online Giving

is simple and easy!

Visit our website, www.fbcgraham.org and click the "GIVE" button to give your tithes and offerings online.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Deacon of the week this week:

Sandra Arnette

Deacon of the week next week:

Earl Foster

Greeter of the month:

Jerome Naylor

Usher Captains of the month:

Jim Euliss & Butch Farrell



OFFERING FOR GLOBAL MISSIONS

BECAUSE PRESENCE MATTERS

2021 - 2022

CBF Offering for Global Missions

On the leading edge of the modern missionary movement, Baptists have been forming together, making disciples of all nations through long-term presence and commitment to serve the most forgotten and forsaken people around the world. The CBF Offering for Global Missions is the primary source of support ensuring the long-term presence of field personnel around the world — funding salaries, benefits, housing costs and children's educational needs. The Offering engages churches and individuals in faith and action through giving, Bible Study, prayer, mission projects and celebration. The theme for this year's offering is *BECAUSE PRESENCE MATTERS*, focusing on one of the commitments of CBF Global Missions. We bear witness to the Gospel through words that encourage faith and actions that embody the way of Jesus. This year, we are invited to journey to discover the ways that God is working alongside field personnel bearing witness to Jesus Christ in Thailand, China, Southern Kentucky, and in the poorest counties in the United States.

Please prayerfully consider how you can be a part of sharing the great love of Christ around the world, as contributions will be received through the month of December. **Our church's offering goal is \$1,250.**

CHURCH STAFF

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Christ
IS
Born!

First Baptist Church

Making Connections that Make a Difference

First Baptist Church of Graham

December 26, 2021

10:45 AM

Prelude Hark! The Herald Angels Sing arr. Page
Ann Holt, organ

Call to Worship

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven,
the shepherds said to one another,

“Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened,
which the Lord has told us about.” So they hurried off and found
Mary and Joseph, and the baby who was lying in the manger.

**When they had seen Him, they spread the word concerning
what had been told them
about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the
shepherds said to them.**

But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her
heart.

**The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the
things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had
been told.**

Just as the shepherds did long ago, let us spread the Word to
the world:

Go, Tell It on the Mountain GO TELL IT

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and ev’rywhere;
Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

Greeting and Invocation Rev. Jerry Harper

Hymn of Praise REGENT SQUARE
Angels, from the Realms of Glory

Angels, from the realms of glory, wing your flight o’er all the earth;
Ye who sang creation’s story, now proclaim Messiah’s birth:
Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King!

Shepherds, in the fields abiding, watching o’er your flocks by night,
God with man is now residing, yonder shines the infant Light:
Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King!

Sages, leave your contemplations, brighter visions beam afar;
Seek the great Desire of nations, Ye have seen the infant’s star:
Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King!

Saints, before the altar bending, watching long in hope and fear,
Suddenly the Lord, descending, in His temple shall appear:
Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ,
the newborn King!

Children’s Message Mary Faucette

Christmas Meditation *Jesus Christ, the Evergreen*
Isabel Chatman and Amy Woolard

Time of Prayer Rev. Jerry Harper

Prayer Response *Emmanuel* McGEE

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel;
God with us, revealed in us; His name is called Emanuel.

Hymn *The First Noel* THE FIRST NOEL

The first Noel the angel did say, was to certain poor shepherds
in fields as they lay;

In fields where they lay keeping their sheep, on a cold winter’s
night that was so deep.

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, Born is the King of Israel.

For all to see there was a star shining in the east, beyond them far,
And to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued
both day and night.

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, Born is the King of Israel.

And by the light of that same star the wise men came from country far;
To seek for a king was their intent,
And to the follow the star wherever it went.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, Born is the King of Israel.

New Testament Text Luke 2:1-7 Nancy Harper

Instrumental Meditation Dixon
Fanfare on “The Boar’s Head Carol”
Ann Holt

Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

New Testament Text John 19:28-30, 20:3-9, 21

Message *Just Beyond the Manger* Rev. Jerry Harper

Hymn of Commitment 118 GREENSLEEVES
What a Child is This

What Child is this, who laid to rest on Mary’s lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
while shepherds watch are keeping?

*This, this is Christ, the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste to bring Him laud, the Babe, the Son of Mary!*

Why lies He in such mean estate, where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear: for sinners here the silent Word is pleading.

Chorus

So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh,
come, peasant, king, to own Him;
The King of kings salvation brings; Let loving hearts enthrone Him.

Chorus

Benediction Rev. Jerry Harper

Choral Response *Sing We Now of Christmas* FRENCH CAROL

Sing we now of Christmas, Noel, sing we here!
Hear our grateful praises to the Babe so dear.
Sing we Noel, the King is born, Noel!
Sing we now of Christmas, sing we now Noel!

Postlude Postlude on “Unto Us Is Born a Son” Dixon
Ann Holt, organ