

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
DECEMBER 18, 2016

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Worship MusicTammy Bishop, Pianist
 Welcome & Announcements Pastor Charlie

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Musical Interlude LaRue Daniel, Organist
 Call to WorshipThe Harrison Family
 The Rogers Family

Responsive Reading
 Lighting of the Advent Candle of Love
 Prayer of Invocation

*Chorus
“Emmanuel”
 *Hymn of Praise No. 94
“Angels, from the Realms of Glory”
(On the last verse, all children are invited to the front for the Children’s Message)

WE CELEBRATE OUR CHILDREN

Children’s Message and Prayer..... Blaine Britt
(Children to Kinder Church and Children’s Church)

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*Offertory Hymn No. 86
“O Little Town of Bethlehem”
 Offertory Prayer Pete Lang
 OffertoryKeyboard Trio
 Tammy Bishop, Mary Daniel, LaRue Daniel
“The First Noel”
 Morning Prayer Pastor Charlie
 AnthemDannie Barbour
“Where’s the Line to See Jesus”
By Becky Kelley
“Labor of Love”
By the Isaacs

Scripture Reading
 Luke 1:26-38; Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 2:1-7
 Message Pastor Charlie
“The Gift of Mary and Joseph Was Love”

*Hymn of Invitation No. 93
“It Came Upon the Midnight Clear”
 *Benediction Congregation
 *Doxology *“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”*
 Postlude LaRue Daniel, Organist
 *Congregation Stands



As we worship on this, the fourth Sunday of Advent, the season of preparation and anticipation is drawing to a close. In one week, we will be celebrating the greatest Gift ever given. Over these four weeks of Advent, we have focused on some of the different people who experienced the birth of Jesus firsthand, and the gifts that were given. As we remember the gift of hope that was given to the Magi and the hope they gave, may we be filled with hope today and always because God is on His throne. As we remember the gift of peace that the shepherds received from the angel and the peace they brought Mary and Joseph at the manger, may we experience the peace that passes all understanding today and always because we have received the Prince of Peace. As we remember the gift of joy that the angels gave the shepherds on the night Jesus was born and that they shared with others, may we experience true joy deep down in our hearts today and always because the source of joy came into the world just as the angels sang. And, as we remember the gift of love that God placed into the hearts and arms of Mary and Joseph and the love this young couple had for their newborn child, may we experience God’s love and share love with others today and always. Trish and I pray that this Christmas will be the best you have ever experienced because you have received the “bestest” Gift ever given. Merry Christmas!!!

Pastor Charlie



SERMON NOTES: _____



Nursing/Retirement/Rehab:

♦Andy Fisher,
 Durham Nursing & Rehab
 ♦Ethel Gilliam,
 Brantwood, Room 310
 ♦Doris Royal,
 Universal Healthcare Raleigh
 ♦Dr. Gene & Mrs. Martha
 Garrison, Galloway Ridge

♦Marvin Pring,
 ♦Heritage Meadows
 ♦Peggy Ferrell,
 Franklin Manor

Homebound:

Bobby & Rachel Stone
 Susie Ortmann
 Hank Plott
 Curtis Boone
 Alvin & Janice Gates
 Louise Honeycutt
 Judy Thompson

Hospital/Health Concerns:

Ruth Parrish
 Mae Ray
 Elliott Wilder
 Paulette Duke
 Glenda Stephenson
 Bobby Tomlinson
 Lloyd Goodwin
 Edgar Smoak
 Donna Sempstrott
 David Strickland Sr.
 Gloria Adcock
 Alan Wilder
 Chris Emory
 Jane Frost
 Vickie Smoak
 Goldie Woodlief
 Chip Henderson
 Cathy Corn
 Betsy Dixon
 Michelle Arrington
 Frank Marcinowski
 Whitney Harris
 Wilma Tunstall
 Virginia Adcock



*Our deepest Christian
 sympathy is extended to
 the Family of Richard Britt*



Welcome to Our Guest

First Baptist Church Butner is delighted that you have joined us for worship today! We want you to consider yourself among friends who care. So that we may know you better, please take a few moments to fill out this card and return it as directed. If you would like to receive our monthly newsletter The Together, please include your email address below. Again, we express an enthusiastic welcome and we encourage you to visit again soon.

Date _____
 Name(s) _____

 Address _____

 City/State/Zip _____
 Phone _____
 E-mail _____
 Status: Single ____ Married ____
 Age Group:
 13-19 ____; 20-29____; 30-39 ____;
 40-49 ____; 50-59 ____; 60& up ____
 Children:
 Name _____ Age ____
 Name _____ Age ____
 Name _____ Age ____
 Name _____ Age ____

Please check all applicable boxes:
 First time visitor
 Returning Visitor
 New to the area
 Would like a visit
 Would like to know more about us
 Would like to know more about being a Christian

I am a guest of _____
 How did you hear about us?

Let Us Know...

Information checked below will help us to serve you and others. Please detach and place in the offering plate at the appropriate time. Thank you.

- Sickness in the home
- Pastor please call
- Scheduled for surgery/hospital admission
- Know of prospects for this church (list below)
- Moved to new address
- Provide email for church communications
- CD/DVD Request;
Date of Service _____
CD = \$1.50 _____
DVD = \$3.00 _____
- Wednesday Night Supper
Add Name _____
Remove Name _____
- Interested in...
Teaching (Specify _____)
Choir
Baptist Women (WOM)
Baptist Men
Bible Study
Sunday School
Visitation Team
Serving on a committee
(Specify _____)

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if you have faith."
Matthew 21:22

I ask your prayers for _____

**ATTENDANCE
WEEK OF DECEMBER 11, 2016**

Sunday School	111
Worship Service	182
Handbells & Ensemble	128
Wednesday 12/14	92

**FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR DECEMBER**

Weekly Budget Needs
\$7,687.39

Monthly Budget Needs
\$30,749.56

Month-to-Date
\$22,699.01

**WEEKLY RECEIPTS
DECEMBER 11, 2016**

\$ 5,509.30 Budget

- \$ 30.00 Building Fund
- \$ 110.00 Christmas Cards
- \$ 580.00 Food Boxes
- \$ 200.00 Benevolence
- \$ 10.00 Youth & Children
- \$ 50.00 Facility Use
- \$ 241.60 Wed. Night Supper
- \$ 75.00 WOJ Conference
- \$ 113.00 WOM
- \$ 1,028.55 Food Ministry
- \$ 500.00 Men in Action
- \$ 1,340.00 Staff Christmas Gift

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

CCM Toy Ministry
Stocking Stuffer Item:
candy canes, gift boxes,
gift bags



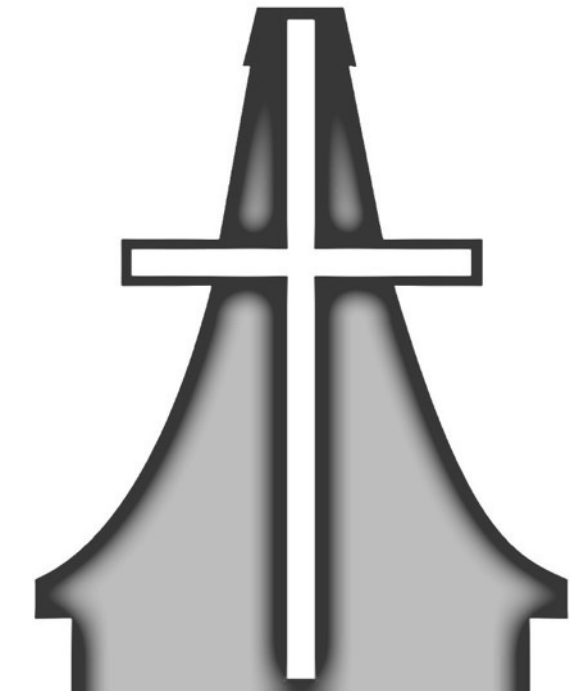
Weekly Volunteers	This Week (December 18-24)	Next Week (December 25-31)
Deacon of the Week	Pete Lang	Rayna Lester
Transportation Driver	Bill & Gail Birdsong	TBA
GROW Visitation Team	Chandler & Vicki Wynne (Team 3)	Need Volunteers (Team 4)
Supper Team (Wednesdays)	No Meal	No Meal
DVD/Tape Ministry	Jim & Jaquita Hill	Jim & Jaquita Hill

Building & Grounds Contact for December: Jim Adams
First Emergency Response member for December: Greg Fisher

Serving Our Children	This Week (December 18-24)	Next Week (December 25-31)
Nursery (Worship)	Bill & Gail Birdsong	Combined Sunday School/Worship
Kinder Church	Matt & Meghan Harrison	Combined Sunday School/Worship
Children's Church	Liz Davis Carynn Davis	Combined Sunday School/Worship
Children's Sermon	Blaine Britt	Pastor Charlie
Nursery (Wednesday Night)	No Services	No Services

Charlie Bryan - Pastor
Blaine Britt - AP of Children, Youth & Ministries
Tracy Ferrell - Choir Director
LaRue Daniel - Organist
Phillip Duke - IT Support
Mary Lou Brogden - Ministry Assistant
Church Office

Cell Phone 704-310-1225
Cell Phone 919-717-2590
Cell Phone 919-815-2251
Home Phone 919-575-6696
Cell Phone 919-730-5870
Cell Phone 919-702-2240
Phone 919-575-6606



Butner, NC

***"REACH,
TEACH,
PREPARE,
SEND"***

Sunday, December 18, 2016
Fourth Sunday of Advent

11:00 a.m.
Worship Service

200 West D Street, P. O. Box 44
Butner, North Carolina 27509
Website: www.fbcofbutner.org
Email: fbcofbutner@raleigh.twcbc.com

OPPORTUNITIES
AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM, YOUTH SKIT
AND ADULT CHOIR CANTATA

Beginning at **6:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 18** in the sanctuary our Children will present their Christmas Program. Following the Children, our Youth will present a short Christmas skit. Our Adult Choir will conclude the night with a presentation of their Christmas Cantata, "Come Let Us Adore". Nursery will be provided. Afterward, we will have refreshments and a visit from a special guest in the Family Life Center. This is always a festive and uplifting time. Please make plans to join us.



FAMILY CHRISTMAS CAROLING



All are invited to join us for Christmas Caroling on **Tuesday, December 20 at 6:00 p.m.** Please sign up on the sheets provided in the vestibule, office hallway or Family Life Center so that we can prepare our carolers lists. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall and disperse from there.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

A Candlelight & Communion Christmas Eve Service will be held, **Saturday, December 24 at 5:00 p.m.** We will celebrate the birth of our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ, with songs of joy. We will also share in Communion during this time.



CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP SERVICE



We will have Worship Service at **10:00 a.m. on Sunday, December 25.** There will be no Sunday School on this day.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

All activities are cancelled for **Wednesday, December 21 and 28.** Spend time with your family and friends.

CHURCH OFFICE SCHEDULE

The Church Offices will be **closed December 26-28** and open for limited hours December 29-30. Pastor Charlie will be on vacation during this week. If you need assistance please contact Blaine on his cell phone during this time, 919-717-2590.



FOOD BOXES



Today is the last day to purchase food boxes to help feed the hungry. The cost is \$5 per box. Envelopes are available in the Family Life Center, vestibule, and office hallway.

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Due to problems with the mailing out of Lottie Moon material we are getting a late start with our offering. Because of this we will receive money through January 15. Our goal this year is \$1,000. Offering envelopes and a prayer guide can be found in your bulletin.



OFFERING ENVELOPES

2017 Offering Envelopes are available to be picked up from the vestibule or office hallway. Monthly offering envelopes are in the white envelopes. Regular weekly envelopes are in the small boxes.

NIGHT TO SHINE FUNDRAISER



We are all very excited about our Tim Tebow Night to Shine event which is February 10, 2017. The planning committee is hard at work to make sure this year's event is even bigger for our special guests. We want them to have the time of their life and feel like the superstars they are. Since the TTF has provided us financial support for this event, we want to have a fundraiser to be able to give back to the foundation, which will allow them to support additional churches in this important ministry.



We're planning a homemade soup/baked potato bar on January 15, 2017 immediately following morning Worship. Instead of going out to lunch that day will you please plan to have lunch with us? There will be no formal charge. We simply ask that you give whatever God lays on your heart. We will have a variety of soups and baked potatoes with all the trimmings. We hope you will mark your calendar to join us for lunch and fellowship, while helping financially with this important missions outreach. Please sign up in advance so we're sure to have enough prepared; we don't want anyone going away hungry. As always, thank you for being the wonderful family of faith we find at FBC-Butner. Your support and love for our community of people with special needs are investments in the work of God's Kingdom.

Happening This Week

Sunday, December 18 - Fourth Sunday of Advent

Last Day to Purchase Food Boxes

9:45 a.m. Sunday School Classes for all ages

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service

6:00 p.m. Children's Program, Youth Skit, and Adult Cantata

Exercise Group: Monday-Friday at 8:00 a.m., Family Life Center...All are welcome.

Monday, December 19

Tuesday, December 20

6:00 p.m. Christmas Caroling (meet in Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, December 21

No Evening Services

Thursday, December 22

Friday, December 23

Saturday, December 24

5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Sunday, December 25 - Christmas Day

10:00 a.m. Combined Sunday School/Morning Worship Service