

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

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**Tim Begeot**  
*Worship*

**Rev. Steve Spurlock**  
*Pastor*

December 15, 2024

\*\*\*\*\* **Morning Service** \*\*\*\*\*  
 10:45 A.M.

Hymn 89 ..... “O Come, All Ye Faithful”

~ Lighting of the Advent Wreath ~  
*Deacon Ron Brown*

Hymn 95 ..... “Go, Tell It on the Mountain”

~ **Focus on Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions** ~

Hymn 103 ..... “Away in a Manger”

~ Worship through Giving ~  
 Worship Song..... “Adore”

Message  
*“The Example of the Shepherds”*  
*Luke 2:8-20*

Commitment Hymn 483..... “Footsteps of Jesus”

*Children’s Worship: Children will be dismissed just prior to the message*

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The **December Church Business Meeting** will be held today immediately following the Morning Worship service. The Finance Committee will be presenting the *Proposed 2025 Church Budget*. Copies of the proposed *2025 Church Budget* are located on the table in the rear of the sanctuary.



**Open Windows Devotional:** Free copies of the *Winter 2024* issue of this daily devotional are available on the information table in the rear of the sanctuary.

**Prayer Concerns**

*Linda Greathouse, Eva Cottrell, Eileen Begeot, Hailee O’Connor, Walt Snyder  
 Bob Abbuhl, Garry Greathouse, Linda Gordon, Sophie Dry, Jane King, Jeff Barrett  
 LouAnn Glaspell, Patti Hornor, Frances Spurlock, Joan White, Patty O’Neal*

**CHURCH CALENDAR**

Today	Adult Bible Study/Sunday School	9:30 AM
	Morning Worship	10:45 AM
	Church Business Meeting	Noon
	Children’s Sunday Night Ministry	5:00 PM
Monday	Nursing Home Ministry	9:45 AM

**Upcoming Events/Activities**

December 24	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
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**...CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS...**



For the Christmas season we would like to decorate our sanctuary with live poinsettia plants. Individuals are invited to personally purchase a poinsettia and you may place it in the sanctuary *“in honor of”* or *“in memory of”* someone. A donor list will be printed on Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> for the bulletin.

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**  
**5:00 PM**



**2025 Calendars:** Please find copies on the table in the rear of the sanctuary. This is a gift to you!!

**Church Family Christmas Cards:** The church would be glad to “deliver” your Christmas cards that you are sending to those within the church family. A “mail box” table is set up in the rear of the sanctuary.

*{Hint: saved postage could be given to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering}*



**Nursing Home Christmas Basket...**

The Nursing Home Ministry is assembling a Christmas basket for the residents at the *Country Club Nursing Home*.

**Suggested items**

Small soaps, toiletry items, combs, non-skid socks, puzzle & coloring books, snacks, candy, etc.  
*(A collection box is located in the rear of the sanctuary where donated items may be dropped off. Deadline: TODAY ... December 15<sup>th</sup>)*

**Worship Service Ministry**

	<u>Today</u>	<u>Next Week (Dec.22)</u>
Nursery:	Teresa Spurlock/Eileen Begeot	Teresa Spurlock
Children’s Worship:	Jennifer Streets	Brenda Terwilliger
Greeters:	Denise Kolacz/Ted Kolacz	Ruth Barrett/Linda Bobbey



## LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

for International Missions

**Church Offering Goal: \$ 1,500.00**

**Current Total: \$ 1,009.00**

**\*\* You can also donate to the offering online at church website \*\***

**COOKIES MINISTRY:** We would like to provide some cookies, during the Christmas season, for the A/A (*Alcoholics Anonymous*) Group that meets here in our church on Wednesday evenings. We are looking for two (2) individuals that could provide two (2) dozen cookies one week during the holidays. A sign-up sheet is posted in the main hallway.



### CHILDREN'S SUNDAY NIGHT MINISTRY

5:00 PM to 6:30 PM

**...Mission Friends...**

*Pre-school through Kindergarten*

**...Children in Action...**

*Grades 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup>*



### Angel Tree/Children's Christmas Party

Thank you, again, for all of those who provided a financial gift for the purchasing of Christmas gifts for the "*Prison Fellowship Angel Tree Ministry*". There were 32 children who were provided gifts...and there were more than 50 individuals who attended the Children's Christmas Party last Sunday night. (*Many thanks to the Angel Team/Planning Team: Margie Brown, Ginny Begeot, Carol Greathouse, April Schultz, Missy Davis, Eileen Begeot and Teresa Spurlock*)

#### HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

- By a public profession of faith in Jesus Christ followed by New Testament baptism
- By the transfer of letter from another Baptist church provided the individual has been baptized in the manner taught in the New Testament
- By a statement of faith, indicating the individual has been saved and baptized in the manner taught in the New Testament

*First Baptist Church is affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention, the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio and the Steel Valley Baptist Association*