ORDER OF WORSHIP	December 20, 2020					
Worship in Song	Worship Team					
"Joy Has Dawned"						
Welcome	Pastor Chance					
Worship in Advent	The Goldstein Family					
Worship in Song	Worship Team					
"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"						
Pastoral Prayer	Pastor Chance					
Worship in Song	Worship Team					
"O Holy Night"						
Worship in Giving	Bro. Carl					
Offertory Special	Worship Team					
"O Come, All You Unfaithful"						
Worship in the Word	Pastor Chance					
"Unexpected Christmas" - Advent 2020						
<i>"O Come, All You Unfaithful"</i> Matthew 2: 1 - 12						

Worship in Response

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

Dismiss in Song

"The Servant Song"

We welcome all sounds in the sanctuary – cries, giggles, and all! However, if you need a moment alone with your child, a cry room (E102) is available directly behind the sanctuary.

Chance McConnell – Pastor fbctchance@gmail.com Carl Newman – Minister of Music/Students carlmusicman@gmail.com

Worship Team

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Evening Worship Services are postponed until further notice

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nursery and Children's Church - meet in rooms #E-107 & #E-106.

Questions? Call the church office (502-477-8197).

December Business Meeting – December 20, 4 PM, via Zoom and/or by phone. The main agenda item will be to discuss any questions regarding the 2021 Budget. However, if you have other agenda items, please email them to <u>fbctchance@gmail.com</u>. Also, please notify Bro. Chance via email if you wish to participate. He will schedule and email the Zoom/phone information to all who request it.

<u>Special Called Business Meeting(s)</u> – December 27, immediately after *both* Worship Services. The purpose is to approve the 2021 Budget.

<u>Children's Church Director Needed</u> – This position is currently being filled by a protem. Please pray the Lord would bring the person to volunteer and lead this ministry. Contact David Shelburne, Nominating Committee Chair, if you are interested in filling this role.

<u>Lottie Moon Christmas Offering</u> – We will be accepting donations to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering during December. Our church's goal is \$1,000. All gifts to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering go directly to support the work of those missionaries who minister to those who have never heard of Jesus.

<u>8 Week Wednesday Night Book and Movie Club</u> starting January 6, 2020. Email <u>fbctchance@gmail.com</u> to sign up.

		Weekl	y Schedule	Last Week's Records	
S	8:30	am	Worship Service*	Morning Worship	10/50
	9:45	am	Adult Sunday School	Sunday School	12
	11:00	am	Worship Service**		
	4:00	pm	Business Meeting	Budget Goal	5,113.61
				Offering	4,500.00
				Goal to Date	255,680.50
				Received to Date	242,415.66
Lottie Moon Received to Date = \$455.00		United We Build	1,115.00		
				Designated	360.00

*(Masks required for the entire service.)

**(Masks may be removed when socially distanced.)

First Baptist Church 115 West Main St. Taylorsville, KY 40071 Hours: M – F 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. information.fbct@gmail.com www.taylorsvillefbc.com 502-477-8197 Facebook: First Baptist Church Taylorsville, KY Adult Sunday School 9:45 am «» Worship 8:30 &11:00 am "Unexpected Christmas" - Advent 2020 "O Come, All You Unfaithful" Matthew 2: 1-12 Pastor Chance McConnell December 20, 2020

When it comes to the Christmas story, it is crucial for us to ______ we are not the good guy or hero in the story.

When Matthew uses the word "_____" in verse 1, he is drawing us in and telling us "look"; "check this out"; "consider what is happening".

These Magi's hearts are opposed and far from God. Their actions and work fail to keep His commandments, but something has drawn them - something is drawing them to this child and they are ______ to it.

King ______ was a master of architectural design. This skill was only surpassed by his cruel, brutal, and merciless rule over the people.

Herod was a man with a dark and cold _____ who sought to thwart out any threat to His power.

The way of the wise men is the ______ response to Jesus. When you truly meet Him, you are not the same - you cannot be the same. You must return from a different way than you came because Christ has come to save you and make you different than you were before you met Him.

Application (Take Home Truths)

The birth of Christ is indeed good news of great joy for all people. But it is only good news if you understand why it is *good*. In order for Christmas to truly be good news, you have to understand just how desperate our situation was a part from Christ and why His coming to the earth, taking on flesh, keeping God's law, being obedient to death even death on a cross - for your sin - and rising again was so very crucial.

"Christmas is indictment before it is delight" and accusation and charge before it can be your joy and your good news. The whole reason this child came is sin - your sin - the world's sin.

Left to ourselves, we are not the heroes of the story; we are instead the Herods with cold and dark hearts that are opposed to God. We are threatened by what this Savior may mean for our own little kingdoms. We are the wise men - pagan travelers and wanderers whose lives and actions are clearly opposed and even hostile - the Bible says - to God, His law, and His Word. We were those who were far off - east of Eden and yet despite all of that - while we were yet sinners, opposed, and against Him, God sent Christ to the earth as a baby so that He might live, die, and rise for you!

The story of Christmas is from heaven He came and sought us - This is good news! The call of Christmas, the call of the Gospel, the call of Christ - is "Come all you unfaithful - Christ is born, Christ is born, Christ is born for you!"

How will you respond? Like the wise men or like Herod?

understand	behold	responding
Herod	heart	correct



"You know that he appeared in order to take away sins, and in him there is no sin."

1 John 3: 5

PRAYER GUIDE Assisted Living

Rachel Hagan (Masonic) Junior Hardin (Signature) Pauline Henry (Signature) Paul Hieb (Signature)

Janet Barnett Kenneth Bulf Tom/Lynelle Coomes Ella Daughtery Tim Edwards Dale Gaddie Jessie Hardin Larry Hickman

Gary Bilger

Cindy Barnes David Barnes Wanda Barnes Ben Biddle Cheryl Biddle Becky Carnes

Curtis Ochs (Sunrise Sr. Living) Betty Skaggs (Forest Hills) Marie Thomas (Signature) Iverson Warinner (Jefferson Place)

Long Term Needs

Donna Houghlin Jan Huff Carroll Ingram Charlie Jewell Lottie Miller Lucille Nation Marvin Nichols Lonzo Price

<u>Military</u>

Kayla Coble

Robbie Shewmaker Keith Stinnett Charlie Stout Donna Smith Marilyn Sweazy Debbie Truax Ernie Whitehouse Jill Whitehouse Dave & Lori Young

Tasha Shaw Grague

Other Concerns

Judy Evans Junior Hardin Judierle Hall Sarah Hickman Melissa Johnson Sarita McClain Pat Muench Jane Shelburne Rick Shelburne Marla & JM Shelley Joy Shouse Chris Shingleton Kathy Shingleton

FBC Prayer Emphasis

COVID vaccine safety: Limited side effects and Lasting immunity

Our Community

Oak Tree Way

Local Church

Evangelical Church Winning All (First ECWA) Pastor: Pastor Samuel Tunde Abednego

The World

Missionaries, believers, pastors, and the people of Croatia.



*Please help keep us updated – requests will remain on the list for 4 weeks. If you desire longer, or to have them placed in a different section, Please call the church office to let us know.



John 1:1-5 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

