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### Our Menu includes:

BBQ Chicken by Wade, twice baked potato, string beans and roll.

Cost of meal is \$10. Deadline to order meal is December 11th. Sign up on bulletin tear off or call the church.

Lots of fun for the entire family.





### **Christmas Music Fest!**

### **December 10 2023 6pm**

Featuring!

\*The FBC Choir,

\*The FBC Hand Bell Choir, \*FBC Vocal Soloists \*Brass Quintet with guest and member musicians. \*Multi- instrument Guest musician, Bob Waters

Come Celebrate Christmas- Invite a friend!

### Coming up this month...

Dec. 3rd 7:30 AM Baptist Men's Breakfast.

Dec. 4th 5:30 PM Handbell Practice

Dec 4th 6:30 PM Buildings and Grounds committee meeting.

Dec. 5th 5:00 PM Helen Peele meeting at Ribeyes in Williamston

Dec. 7th 1 PM Mission Action Circle meeting@ Mackey's Landing.

Dec. 17th 12 Noon Called Conference for 2024 Budget

The Deacons will not meet in December.

## ANGEL TREE

Each year our church participates in the Angel Tree Ministry through our local Social Services. It is a list of children, seniors, and disabled adults who without you would not

have a very Merry Christmas. The tree will be in the sanctuary beginning Sunday December3rd.

Please return your angel and gifts to the church office by Wednesday December 13th.

When you can't make it to worship, listen on

If you are blessed consider supporting with your financial gift.

### Let us Celebrate!

### Happy Birthday

Shirley Barfield 12/4
Rita Rhodes 12/5
Hank Edmondson 12/5
David Noell 12/6
Dylan Pollard 12/9
Debbie Holcomb 12/13
Nancy Rogers 12/16
Lennon Wall 12/17
Mike Holcomb 12/18
Holley Brabble 12/18
Pauline Humphreys 12/20
Paul Harrington 12/21
Becky Brown 12/24
Brenda Tetterton 12/31

Kristi Nicholson 12/31

### **Happy Anniversary**

Benjie & Nancy Rogers
12/2

George & Melinda Galtress
12/10

Jimmy & Shelley Brown
12/17

Harry & Mittie Ward
12/25

Ken & Carolyn Watlington



12/28



# Pianist David Roach Christmas Concert

FBC Sanctuary 6 PM Sat. December 16

### **CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS ORDERS**

In Honor or Memory of:

Given By:

Cost \$17.00

Deadline to order is Sunday, December 17, 2023



## PLYMOUTH FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

**December 2023** 

### A note from Pastor Paul.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Christian song writer and singer Phil Wickham has written a powerful song titled Manger Throne. The first verse states the following, "You could have stepped into creation, With fire for all to see. Brought every tribe and nation to their knees. Arriving with the host of heaven, In royal robe and crown, The rulers of the earth all bowing down. But You chose meekness over majesty- Wrapped Your power in humanity. Glory be to You alone- King who reigns from a manger throne. My life, my praise, everything I own, To Jesus the King on a manger throne."

Jesus did choose meekness over majesty and wrapped himself in humanity. Meekness does not mean that Jesus was weak. Meekness is strength under control. Jesus did arrive in full humanity. He is the God-man. He gave of his all so that we might be heirs of the kingdom of God. Romans 8:16 "The Spir-

it himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory." Because of all He has done for us. we owe everything we are to him. May our lives be a daily offering of sacrifice for His glory. May the wonderful story of Jesus never grow old in our hearts!

My Dear Friend, Hope, Peace, Joy and Love to you!

### **Holiday Schedule**

Sun. Dec. 10 6 PM Christmas Music Fest

Wed. Dec. 13 6 PM Family Night w/ Dessert Auction

Sat. Dec. 16 6 PM Pianist David Roach Christmas Concert in FBC Sanctuary

### Christmas Eve, Sunday Dec 24

9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship

5 PM Christmas Eve Service with Communion

### New Years Eve Sunday Dec. 31

Regular Sunday Schedule—Loyd Jones Speaking

Church office will be closed:

Dec. 22, 25, 26, 29, and Jan. 1st.



Hello Church Family!

Sorry to sound like a broken record, but I truly have felt that this year as flew by! I know what it's like to be at First Baptist during the Christmas season, because I have already had the pleasure of seeing the beautiful sanctuary, wonderful food, and hopeful discussions we have during this month, just a year ago. It feels like it was but a few weeks ago. Speaking of hopeful discussion, I look forward to our time of worship on Sunday Dec 3rd, where I have the honor of kicking off this Advent season with a message on Hope.

We also have our Family Night and Dessert Auction rapidly approaching on Wednesday Dec. 13th. In case you've missed the announcement, we are asking that if you do intend to donate a dessert for the auction that you would get into contact with me first as to make sure we create a wide variety of desserts. Thanks ahead of time to all those planning to bring something! The Youth and myself will be assisting with the auction.



Please feel free to reach me with dessert ideas or questions at 252-217-5707 any time. Text or Call!



A Thank You Note from Ann Carey,

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

My heart cannot properly express the depths to which your generous love offering has moved me to sing praises and thanksgiving to our Lord. It seems so inadequate to say "Thank You", I have been deeply and richly blessed."

Each of you has been used by God to answer my prayers and quiet my heart. I am reminded of Matthew 25:35 (in part) "...I was a stranger and you invited me in" and Matt. 25:40 " I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers or sisters of mine, you did for me." May our Lord be PRAISED! My prayer for you all is- "May the LORD bless you 100fold for what you have done for me."

### PRAYER CONCERNS

**CHURCH FAMILY:** 

Virginia Dilday,

George Boyd,

Marguerite Hart,

Ronnie Matheny,

Denise Nobles,

Leroy and Ann Bland,

B.J. Lyle,

Phyllis Dickerson,

Faye McCombs.

**NURSING HOME** 

**RESIDENTS:** 

**Steve Barnes** 

Autumnfield of

Belhaven

**Pauline Humphries** 

River Trace, Washington

Tim Elks;

Carrolton of Plym-

outh

Gwen Phelps.

Fountain of the

Albemarle E101

### **FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:**

Joyce Jones (Wife of FBC pastor Terry Jones)

Shirley Harrell (Sister of Alan Barnes)

Susan Tripp (Sister of Camellia Lee)

John C. Mann (Nephew of Lorita Simonds)

Evan Roberson

Wanda Williams

Thomas and Gretchen Maloney

Denise Baldwin (Cousin of Ben Cherry)

Marie Cox (Mother of Bill Benjamin)

Roy Thompson

Betty King (Mother of Tammy Wiard)

Shelton McNair, Sr

George & Debbie Bagley

Whitney Denton (Niece of Phyllis Faulk)

**Jeff Davis** 

Shelton McNair, Jr.

Jamie Asby

Shelby Flint

**Bryson Blount** 

Mae Oliver

Keith Sawyer