

#### **FAITHFINDER**

Holiday Edition
Small Groups: 9:00
Worship Service: 10:00
Service is also livestreamed:





#### Message

**Christmas** 

#### **Upcoming messages**

December 28

**Prayer Service** 

#### Nehemiah

January 4

Nehemiah 4.1-23

Facing Opposition: Discouragement

January 11

Nehemiah 5.1-19

Dissension in the Ranks

Stopping Strife, Complaining

January 18

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday

January 25

Nehemiah 6.1-19

**Dealing with Distractions** 

Continuing on in faith

#### **Prayer Requests:**

Pray for those traveling this holiday season.

Pray for families as they gather together, that good memories will be made.

Pray for those who are grieving loss.

Pray for peace and reconciliation in the world.

Pray for our Board of Managers and the decisions they make.

Pray for our elders and church leadership.

Pray for our Before & After School Kids Care Program.

Pray for our Preschool teachers and families.

Pray for our country and its leaders as we go forward.

Pray for our members who are in the hospital or recovering at home.

Pray for our homebound members.

Pray for those helping aging parents.

Pray for our youth, at home, at school, and as they gather with others.

Pray for where you may serve as a volunteer at Faith.

Pray for those with issues in the workplace or who are looking for a job.

Pray for families and marriages in crisis. Pray for family unity.

Pray for those being cared for by hospice and their families.

Pray to strengthen friendships and restore those that are broken.

#### **Christmas Eve at Faith**

Wednesday, December 24

Fellowship Hour

3:00

Coffee, Cocoa, Cookies

Be sure to get a family picture!

Celebration Service of His Birth

4:00

Come and bring a friend!

# Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year from the staff of Faith Baptist Church!

Pastor Steven Roper

Pastor Stephen Kriner Pastor Joe Marden

Paul Bell

Kim Hettinger
Beth Kriner



Kally Teeple
Deb Wight

## Welcome! We're glad you are here!

Please fill out a Connection Card or sign in at the Welcome Desk so that we may record your attendance and welcome you if you are our guest.

Prayer requests may be shared

on the back of the card or the designated Prayer Request/Praise/Need cards.

#### **Church Staff:**

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#### **Happy Birthday on December:**

21st— Colleenia Shirey, Morgan Ditton
25th—Ann Allendorph, Roberta Runkle
26th—Olivia Grace Moore
27th—Steve Sliger
31st—Jenn Schortgen
Happy Birthday on January:

2nd—Macyn Durbin 6th—Gary Klopp 7th—Margaret Ann Hoag 9th—Joe Marden 10th—Everly Coppolino

Happy Anniversary to:

Tim & Lynn Bereman on January 6.

Our Outreach Team has fruit baskets prepared to be delivered to our homebound members but they would like your assistance. The baskets will be ready for pick up after church this Sunday, December 21st. If you would be interested in taking one to deliver, please let Elaine Sliger know and she will provide you with a name and address. Thank you for your help!!



Once again, the Board of Managers and the congregation of Faith Baptist Church would like to distribute a "love gift" to our staff members at Christmas to express our appreciation for all that

they do throughout the year. If you would like to contribute to this "love gift" (cash only, please!), designated envelopes may be found on the tables as you leave the worship center. Envelopes may then be placed in the collection plate or given to our Vice-Moderator, Steve Sliger. THANK YOU!

### All men are invited to a meeting of The Brotherhood

Saturday, January 10 9am-1pm

We will be gathering together for another brunch with a time for testimonies. Following our time of eating and testimonies, we will split up into smaller groups to accomplish some of the projects that need to be done around the church while continuing to grow our relationship with each other. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Stephen. Stay as long as you can to help with the projects.

#### Welcome to Kids Zone!

All Children are invited to our Happy Birthday Party for Jesus on December 21st!



#### **Serving in the Nursery:**

December 28—Alesha Moore; Gracie Moore
January 4—Marissa Vandermotten; Kathleen Hinkle

3 year olds through 5th grade:

December 28—Kim Hettinger
January 4—Kids in the Worship Center
If you would like to volunteer to be a part of our growing Kids' Ministry, please see Kim Hettinger.

#### Notes from the office...



**2026 Offering Envelopes** are now available in the coatroom. If you do not see your box or have questions, please contact Beth Kriner in the office Monday through Wednesday.

**For your calendar:** The church office will be closed from December 25th-January 1st to allow our staff to spend time with their families.

November Actual Income: \$66,248.94\*

\*does not include \$947.48 Capital Campaign donations received in November.

November Budgeted Income: \$64,755.19

YTD Actual Income: \$608,350.80\*\*

\*\*does not include \$77,424.28 Capital Campaign donations received YTD.

YTD Budgeted Income: \$613,234.84

November Actual Expenses: \$63,699.20\*\*\*

\*\*\*does not include \$1,994.07 mortgage payment paid in

November.

November Budgeted Expenses: \$57,178.95

**YTD Actual Expenses:** \$573,842.24\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*does not include the below:

\$69,000 payment towards replacing the Gym HVAC unit, \$21,565.29 payments towards the mortgage paid YTD.

YTD Budgeted Expenses: \$590,367.56

#### **Small Groups Meeting This Week**

Name of Group **Meeting Time** Leader(s) **Current Study Gathering Place** Friendship Class Sunday 9:00am Mark Benzinger Faith—Classroom A Matthew **Pathfinder Class** Sunday 9:00am 2 Corinthians Faith—Judson Hall 2 **Living Stones** Sunday 9:00am Pastor Joe FLC—Restore Room Zephaniah Sunday 9:00am Youth Small Group Pastor Stephen Deep Discipleship Youth Center—Basement Dv8 Youth Group Sunday, Dec. 21 5:30pm (will not meet Dec. 28 or Jan. 4) Pastor Stephen Youth Center—Basement Restore Sunday, Dec. 21 6:00pm (will not meet Dec. 28 or Jan. 4) Pastor Joe FLC—Restore Room

Information about each of our Small Groups may be found at the Connection Wall.