

**Last Sunday's Record  
December 13**

First Baptist SS: 315  
Offering: \$39,400.00

**January 1, 2015**

Requirements: \$1,289,009.40  
Receipts: \$1,247,062.24  
LOTTIE MOON: \$18,963.00

**Deacon of the Week**

12/20 - John Hicks  
12/27 - Joe Kieronski  
1/3 - Joey Mabry

**Sermon for Sunday, December 20**

"Are You Ready?"  
Isaiah 9:6-7

**FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER**

**December 23**

There will be no Family Night Supper or regularly scheduled activities.

Family Night Supper and regular scheduled Wednesday evening activities will resume **January 13.**

**We need furniture and other items to furnish our missionary house for the Hodgins who will be here in January. If you have "gently used" furniture to donate, please contact Ellen Rogers.**

**SUNDAY, December 20**

8:45 - FBC Coffee Café  
9:15 - Sunday School  
10:00 - Library Open  
10:30 - Morning Worship  
6:00 - CAROLS AND CANDLES  
Movers and Shakers (Preschool)

**TUESDAY, December 22**

7:00 - Men's Prayer Group  
6:00 - Prayer Shawl Ministry/Aldersgate

**WEDNESDAY, December 23**

No Family Night Supper or regularly scheduled activities.

**THURSDAY, December 24**

5:00 - Christmas Eve Communion Service

**REMINDER**

All 2015 contributions *must be received in the church office by December 29<sup>th</sup> or postmarked by December 31<sup>st</sup> in order to be included in your 2015 contribution statement.*  
THANK YOU.

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**VOLUNTEER MINISTRY for December 20**

<p><b>Preschool Ext. Session</b> Will and Katie Carpenter <b>LAUNCH</b> Brandi Griffith Russell and Kim Cruise Brittney Harrison</p>	<p><b>Counting Committee</b> Chris Lauderdale Leslie Dunn Kathy Stehle Louise Williamson, Chairman</p>
<p><b>Worship Welcomers</b> Leslie and Susan Dunn Carolyn Hodgins Bill Simcox  <b>Sunday School Greeters</b> John and Gaile Culpepper Darren and Lisa Bane</p>	<p><b>Security</b> Jody and Ginger Richardson <b>TV Ministry</b> Bobby and Janet Berg, Brad Henry, Jason Braud, Mark Fairbanks, Benny Harrison, Libby Waite, Rob Autry, Fred Porter</p>

Dr. Raymon Leake, Pastor  
Rev. David McCubbin, Associate Pastor Emeritus  
Rev. Wayne Polk, Associate Pastor for Outreach and Discipleship  
Rev. David Bishop, Associate Pastor for Music  
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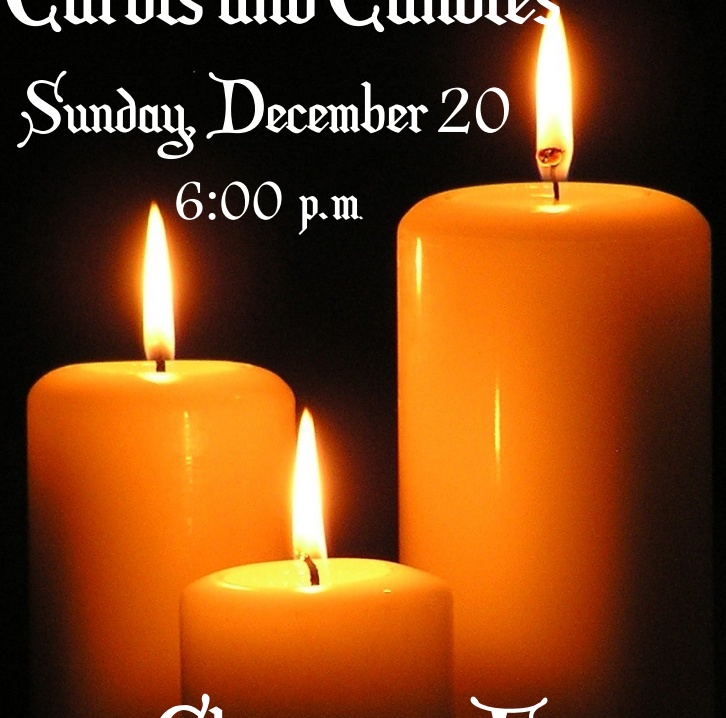
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**Carols and Candles**  
Sunday, December 20

6:00 p.m.



**Christmas Eve  
Communion Service**  
Thursday, December 24

5:00 p.m.



*The beautiful poinsettias in our sanctuary have been given...in Memory of:*

- Joe and Margaret Grant** by Dewayne and Jill Walker
- Rev. William F. "Pete" Evans** by Mary Evans
- Wendell Webb** by Mary Evans
- Edwin and Cecille Lewis** by Robert Lewis
- Charles and Jessie Lewis** by Linda and Chuck Lewis
- Jim Sanders** by Lydia Sanders
- W. Walton Moore, Jr.** by Lee Moore
- W. Walton Moore, III** by Lee Moore
- Mark B. Strickland** by Lee Moore
- Dr. Billy Anderson** by Russ Anderson
- Russell and DeLorise Connelly** by Russ Anderson
- Ben and Ethel Norton** by Glenda Pappas
- Roland and Barbara Erlinger** by Glenda Pappas
- Gary L. Pickett** by Elaine D. Pickett
- Marilyn Simcox** by Bill Simcox
- Marilyn Simcox** by Amber and Chris Carlisle
- Tim Gray** by Pam Gray
- Johnnie Bounds** by Mel and Mary Bounds
- Harmon S. Dickson** by Tommy and Marcia Brewer
- Joe and Nona Kieronski** by Joe and Frances Kieronski
- Stanley and Fannie Buchanan** by Joe and Frances Kieronski
- Gladys and Marshall Cobb** by The Cobb Family
- Jaime Miller** by The Cobb Family
- Mr. and Mrs. Ray Barfield** by Landry, Fay and Brianna Adkins
- Miller and Joan Dewese** by Willard, Marilyn and Jed Green
- Willard Brown Green** by Willard, Marilyn and Jed Green
- Sarah Smith Johnson** by Rob and Keri Barr
- Eleanor Etheridge** by Rob and Keri Barr
- Tommy Roach** by Derek and Kim Barnes
- Laura K. Bass** by The Autrys and The Feltensteins
- Dr. E. Lowry Moore** by Gloria Moore
- Dr. Daniel Houston Moore** by Gloria Moore
- Mrs. Sarah Moore** by Gloria Moore

*And...in Honor of:*

- Our Children, Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren**  
by Jim and Gloria Addison
- Frances B. Dickson** by Tommy and Marcia Brewer
- Pat McCubbin** by David McCubbin
- Susan Johnson** by David McCubbin
- Melanie Carroll** by David McCubbin
- Laurie Alford** by David McCubbin
- Connie Calhoun** by David McCubbin
- Dr. Tony Fouts** by Pud Merrell
- Justin Kieronski and Jennifer Kieronski**  
by Joe and Frances Kieronski
- Johnnie and Martha Neal** by Willard, Marilyn and Jed Green
- Mary Ann Miller** by The Cobb Family
- Hueston and Amie Adkins** by Landry, Fay and Brianna Adkins
- Rose Ellen Reid** by Prayergram/Messenger Ministry
- Blanche Harmon** by Prayergram/Messenger Ministry
- J.B. and Jeannie Barnett** by Prayergram/Messenger Ministry
- Eleanore Catledge** by Prayergram/Messenger Ministry
- Lucile Hicks** by Prayergram/Messenger Ministry
- Arlene Campbell** by Prayergram/Messenger Ministry
- Maudie Newsome** by Prayergram/Messenger Ministry
- Linda Williams** by Prayergram/Messenger Ministry
- Amy Presley** by Prayergram/Messenger Ministry
- Dorothy Shank** by Prayergram/Messenger Ministry

**Memorials...**

**Lottie Moon**

- In Memory of:**
- Howard Catledge
  - Lamar Reid
  - Rhen and Nell Pierce
  - Herb Troupe
  - Sarah Moore *(Karen Hicks' mother)*
  - Bernice Bishop *(Sharon McMullen's mother)*
  - Hazel Chaney    Ronald Walker  
*(friends of Greg and Renee Snowden)*
  - Don Pollard *(Dee Dee Fout's father)*
  - Jack Lewis

**In Honor of:**

- Lydia Sanders
- Sylvia Follis
- Louise Williamson
- John Culpepper
- Miriam Chesney
- Barry Germany
- Jim Williamson

**Walk Thru the Bible Verses for this week...**

- December 20 - 3 John**
- December 21 - Reflection and Worship**
- December 22 - Jude**
- December 23 - Revelation 1-3**
- December 24 - Revelation 4-5**
- December 25 - Revelation 6-7**
- December 26 - Revelation 8-9**



**BECAUSE OF WHO HE IS**

**FBC Lottie Moon**  
**Goal: \$50,000.**  
*We have given:*  
**\$18,963.00.**

**FBC Holiday Schedule**  
**The church office will be closed:**  
 Wednesday, December 23 through  
 Friday, December 25  
 and Wednesday, December 30  
 through Friday, January 1.