

In-Person Worship - What You Can Expect

We are pleased that you are worshiping with us today. The staff and the deacons with the advice of health officials encourage a few precautions as we gather together.

Precautions

- We encourage all worshipers to wear masks. (We will have masks available.)
- A box will be available for tithes and offerings. You may also give online or mail contributions to the church.
- Families are encouraged to sit together.

Thank you for doing your part in keeping everyone safe.

Online Giving: Check out the church website for updated news and information on how to give online. **Visit www.fbcwky.org.** Point your iPhone or Android camera at the QR code to go directly to the online giving website.



Church Needs: When you have or become aware of a need in our church family, be sure to notify Rebecca in the church office or one of the Deacons of the Week.

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***First Baptist Church
Williamsburg, Kentucky
December 12, 2021***

Worship in Song Praise First

Joy To The World (Unspeakable Joy)

Welcome & Invocation Karen Stephens

Worship in Song Handbell Choir

O Little Town Of Bethlehem
By Lewis Henry Redner
Arranged by Warren Patrick Miller

Worship in Song Handbell Choir

Glory, Joy, And Peace
Arranged by Sandra Eithun

Video The Skit Guys

‘Witness His Majesty: Joseph’

Lighting of the Joy Candle The Hamblin & Loudermelt Family

Mission Moment Video CBF Global Missions

Worship in Song Congregation

270 - Joy To The World
Guest Organist: Donna Mauney

Worship in Song Congregation

271 - Joyful, Joyful We Adore You
Guest Organist: Donna Mauney

Prayers of the People Bill Conn

Musical Reflection Sharon McGinley

Worship in Song Handbell Choir

Angel’s Gloria
Arranged by Howard F. Starks

Message Dr. John Lepper

“God’s Job Description and Mission Statement”
Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

Time of Commitment Congregation

261 - Away In A Manger

Benediction Dr. John Lepper

Postlude Alex Stone

Good King Wenceslas
Traditional English Carol

Prayer Concerns

Jennie Lou Barton	George & Nina	Sam Reeves
Sandra Brown	Herring	Kenny Shaw
Tyler Bryant	Bill Heid (Janet	Elsie Shelby (Bryan
Eddie Byrd	Logan’s father)	Shelby’s mother)
Barbara Carnes	Mike Huey (Rebecca	Ernie Siler
Debby Clark	Conn’s cousin)	Sadie Smith
Marian Collette	Judy (Neubert) Jett	Carol Stephens
Chuck Criscillis	Janet Logan	Dinah Taylor
Randy Croley	Maggie Logan	Gayle Taylor
Betty Ruth Cox	Shirley Mattingly	Shannon Taylor
Chuck Dupier	Judy Mattox	Marilyn Teague
Henrietta Duke	Kenny Nighbert	B.J. Temple Family
Grant Duke	Gilbert Prince	Ernest Triplett
Wilma Faulkner	(Evelyne Dupier’s	Barbara Wasano
J. Don Faulkner	brother)	Donnie & Betty Witt
Steven Haines	Donnie Rains	Florence Young
Imogene Halcomb	Tom Rains (Sharon	
Ralph Higginbotham	Perkins’ father)	

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

****Food Pantry:** Our monthly curbside distribution will be **Wednesday, December 15th from 4:30 till 5:00 PM**. We will not have UC student volunteers this month to help us. We will need extra volunteers for both packing the bags and distribution. **We will pack the bags on Monday, December 13th at 1:30 PM**. If you can help in any way, please contact Norma Dunston at 606-521-7885 or the church office.

****Deacons' Meeting:** There will be a Deacons' Meeting on **Sunday, December 19th beginning at 6:30 PM** in the sanctuary. Please make note of the time change!

****Logan Appreciation:** Please join the FBC Deacons and Hospitality Team as we share our love, prayers, and support to Brent & Mahalia Logan on **Sunday, December 19th at 5:00 PM** in the yard at Helen's House. Brent is to be deployed in early 2022. Refreshments will be served.

****Christmas Eve Service:** There will be a Christmas Eve service on **Friday, December 24th beginning at 5:00 PM**.

****Christmas Mission Offerings:** Envelopes are available at all the main doors for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions and the CBF Global Mission Offering. These offerings go directly to mission efforts around the world and locally through both organizations.

****Christmas Joy:** FBC would like to invite you to give an honorarium or memorial donation during this Christmas season. The donation should be marked "**Christmas Joy**" and be accompanied by the Christmas Joy form (*included with the bulletin*). The honorariums and memorials will be listed in the worship bulletin (without the amounts) on **Sunday, December 26th** and in the newsletter on **Friday, December 24th**. All donations must be turned into the church office by **Monday, December 20th**.

****Staff Christmas Gift:** The FBC staff are wonderful and put in a lot of behind the scenes work as well as ministry work visible and felt by our congregation. Each year in appreciation, we gather funds as a Christmas gift. If you would like to help with this very special gift, please drop off or mail money to the church office marked "**Christmas Staff Gift**" by **Friday, December 17th**.

Church-Wide Questionnaire: Online or Paper Copy

This questionnaire provides the opportunity for the congregation to give valuable information in the creation of a church profile. The profile will offer guidance to the Pastor Search Committee and prospective candidates for the position of Pastor.

Additionally, the Church profile will provide insight to our congregation as we plan for the future together.

Here are some elements of the process:

- Please complete only one questionnaire—either electronically or by paper.
- Each FBC member or regular attender (who is currently in the youth group or older) should complete a questionnaire.
- Responses will be anonymous.
- Online—a link was sent out to the email distribution list for those who wish to complete an electronic questionnaire. If you would like to receive the link, please contact the church office.
- Paper copies of the questionnaire are also available. You may obtain a paper copy by 1) picking one up at the Church Office, 2) requesting that one be mailed to you, or 3) requesting one be delivered to you.

**Deadline for receiving completed Questionnaire:
December 20, 2021.**

Please complete the online questionnaire, or deliver your paper copy to the Church Office no later than December 20, 2021.



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The honorariums and memorials will be listed in the worship bulletin (without the amounts) on Sunday, December 26th and in the newsletter on Friday, December 31st. **All donations must be turned into the church office by Monday, December 20th.**

Please print names as you want them listed:

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

Given by: _____

Please use the back of this form if more space is needed!



****Church Directory:** View our church directory online or on your mobile device. **Login to members.**[InstantChurchDirectory.com](https://www.instantchurchdirectory.com) or **download the Instant Church Directory app.** You will use your email address listed in the directory to create a login the first time you use either. If you're not listed in the directory, OR if you have trouble logging into the app, please contact the church office.

****2021 Giving:** Since FBCW is a charitable organization and gifts to it are tax deductible, IRS regulations and rules must be followed. Gifts to FBCW placed in the offering box, mailed to the church, or given online must be received by Friday, December 31st, to be counted as a 2021 gift. If you would like to have a copy of your giving record for IRS purposes, please let the church office know. These will go out after all donations for the 2021 year are posted. **Offering Envelopes for 2022 will be available by Sunday, December 19th.** If you would like offering envelopes, please contact the church office.

Deacons of the Week: Anita Bowman (859-396-5007)

// Kathy Byrd (620-3793)

Ushers and Greeters: Philip & Peggy Johnson // Brileigh Logan

// Tanner Logan

Nursery: Erica Harris

SERMON NOTES:



Offering Goal: **\$4 million**



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2021 - 2022

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When you give to the Offering for Global Missions, you support the long-term presence of field personnel in 19 countries as they cultivate beloved community, bear witness to Jesus Christ and seek transformational development among people and places otherwise forgotten and forsaken by the world.



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[Luke 24:13-35](#)



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CBF Field Personnel...

- Minister among those who have been forced to flee their home countries due to violence and persecution
- Help meet the needs of families living in extreme poverty, people neglected by society and children rescued from or at-risk for human trafficking
- Help address the environmental issues in their community through the creation of a cow-bank project that provides livestock to local farmers through a small business development program
- Provide support for local pastors to start new ministries in the Middle East and open-air celebrations in Arab cities that feature multiple nights of Gospel sharing
- Maintain a network of hospitality houses to provide shelter, food, prayer and rest to those experiencing homelessness, hunger, poverty and addiction

*And so much more,
because of your support
for the Offering for
Global Missions!*



“Gifts to the Offering allow me to develop lasting relationships. Presence matters because God loves the world, and we are all God’s children. Gifts to the Offering fund my presence at Grace & Main to extend the hope of Christ to beloved children of God who are unseen and uncared for by society.”

Jessica Hearne
CBF Field Personnel, Grace & Main Fellowship
Danville, Va.



“The triune God is still calling our Fellowship to be the presence of Christ in the hardest places in the world. Why should we give to the Offering for Global Missions? Because presence matters, and our gifts make presence possible.”

Steven Porter
CBF Global Missions Coordinator

“CBF’s impact in Macedonia has always been around transformational development, whether it be in education and farming and the lives of children or other marginalized people group. It’s been incredible to be part of renewing God’s world through something like farming.”

Jeff and Alicia Lee
CBF Field Personnel
Skopje, Macedonia



“When I came to the U.S., everything was challenging. I had to learn everything. Even the language was a barrier because I couldn’t communicate. I experienced God’s love through other people. When we fled, we didn’t have anything but because God sent us people, we had something.”

Rosalie
Fort Worth, Texas

