## **Deacon of the Week**

11/29 - Jet Scarbrough

12/6 - Jim Williamson 12/13 - Lee Rogers 12/20 Reed Scarbrough 12/27 - Brian Sellers

## **Deacon's Breakfast**

Sunday, December 6 **Fellowship Hall** 8:00 a.m.

Sermon for November 29 "Light in the Darkness" John 1:1-5

## Menu for Wednesday, December 2 (for Noon Lunch and Evening Take Out)

Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Buttered Corn, Biscuit and Banana Pudding KIDS: Hamburgers and Tots

Adults: \$5 KIDS (12 and under): \$3 Family Maximum \$20

## **VOLUNTEER MINISTRY - November 29**

#### **Preschool Extended Session**

**Taylor Thomas** 

#### **LAUNCH**

Christie Daugherty Beth Lewis

## **Worship Welcome**

Landry and Fay Adkins Neil and Amanda Henry

#### Greeter

Allan and Diane Tolleson

## **Security Team 3**

Clifford Holloway, John Anderson, Alan Lamar, Jody Richardson, Brad Garrett

## **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

#### SUNDAY, November 29

10:30 - Morning Worship 3:30 - NO Acteens 4:30 - Youth Bible Drills

> In-person Sunday School Classes have been temporarily suspended.

#### TUESDAY, December 1

9:30 - Even Better than Eden/Laird

#### WEDNESDAY, December 2

12:00 - Sr. Adult Noon Day Prayer Meeting, Bible Study and Lunch (Fellowship Hall)

> All Wednesday Night Activities have been temporarily suspended.

It's time to decorate First Baptist Church for Christmas!

If you would like to join the Flower Committee in the "hanging of the greens", please plan to come Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.

Questions? Contact Marilyn Green.

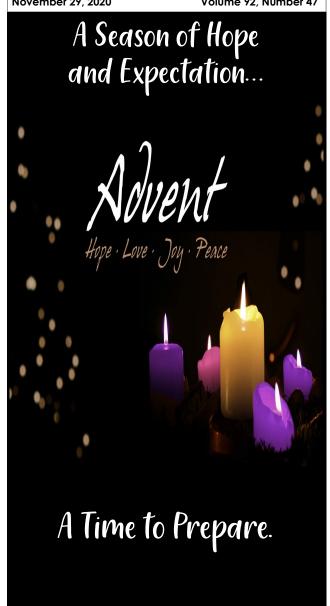
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#### LET'S JUST DO THIS

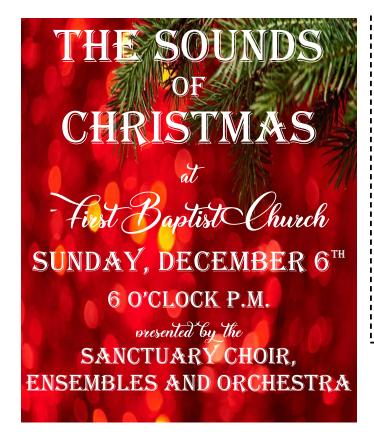
"This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord."

Exodus 12:14a

Advent is the season in The Church Year which is encompassed by the four Sundays before Christmas. It is a time set aside for preparation to celebrate the birth of The Christ Child. A natural question is, "Why all the fuss about preparation? Let's just do Christmas!" But preparation is ever so important if celebration is to be meaningful.

The Jewish people of the Old Testament would never think of moving in to a time of festivities without giving attention to a time of preparation for that celebration. Remember the eleventh chapter of Exodus that deals with the event of the Passover. The children of Israel always celebrated that great event and sought never to lose sight of what God had done for them through the experience. They learned something that most of us have never discovered: the degree of meaning of an event is very much related to the degree of preparation for that event. Let me repeat this in case you missed it the first time: the degree of meaning of an event is very much related to the degree of preparation for that event. God forbid that we move in to this season of Christmas in our usual condition of huffing and puffing, frustration and total exhaustion.

Instead, I hope that we will move in to this great season with a new sense of commitment, to one another and to God, and that we will open ourselves to new experiences that will add a depth of meaning to this beautiful time of year. The time to begin preparation is right now!



F260 WEEK 49 READING beginning 11/29/20

Monday - Hebrews 7
Tuesday - Hebrews 8-9
Wednesday - Hebrews 10
Thursday - Hebrews 11
Friday - Hebrews 12

Memory Verses: Galatians 2:19-20, 2 Corinthians 5:17



The Festival of 9 Lessons Carols and Candles Sunday, December 13th 6:00 o'clock p.m.

## Christmas Poinsettias

Poinsettias will again grace our sanctuary during the Christmas season in honor or in memory of someone special. Please send in this order form with your payment. (\$10.00 each)

Given by:	   
Number of Poinsettias:	
In Memory of:	
In Honor of:	
Please pick up your poinsettias after the	

## Memorials...

## **Lottie Moon Christmas Offering**

In memory of: Ellen Rogers

**Trinidad Ministry Fund** 

In memory of: Ellen Rogers



# LOTTIE MOON

FBC Goal: \$50,000

# **WEEK OF PRAYER**

for International Missions

## Sunday, December 6

Lottie Moon Emphasis in Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Special Guest - Dr. Jim Futral

## **Monday, December 7**

Week of Prayer Program FBC Chapel 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, December 8

Homebound Visitation