

**New Arrivals**

Congratulations to Coale & Alecia Jordan on the birth of a daughter, Rylee Jo and a son, River James on November 27.

**Memorials**

Genie Cunningham  
Ricky & Joan Ray  
Lorene Pinson  
Suzanne Hawkins  
Ricky & Joan Ray  
Kitty Roberts  
Ricky & Joan Ray



**Assist at EBA Missions Center-  
December 5** 9am  
Meet at Missions Center

**Salvation Army Meal  
December 13**  
Second Tuesday, bi-monthly

**Christmas PARTY**  
Thursday, December 8  
12:00 noon  
Fellowship Hall  
Cost: \$5 per person  
Reservations must be made by Monday, Dec. 5  
PLEASE BRING A NEW, UNWRAPPED TOY TO BE DONATED TO THE MISSIONS CENTER.

**Weekly Records November 27, 2022**

**Worship**  
Attendance.....208  
Kids Worship.....36  
Total Attendance .....244

**Sunday School**  
Enrollment.....356  
Attendance  
Members.....170  
Visitors.....6  
Total Attendance .....176

**Stewardship Records**  
Budget.....\$19,726.74  
Tithes Received .....\$23,738.08  
Designated .....\$633.85  
Designated for Organ .....\$400.00  
Budget to Date .....\$946,883.52  
Received to Date .....\$975,054.16

**Lottie Moon Christmas Offering**



**Serving the little ones**



Anona Aderholdt  
Kristie Erwin  
June McCurley



No Kids Worship this week.  
Children will stay in the service with their families

**Sound & TV Ministry**

Scott Morgan, Matthew Vance  
Chris Alexander, Harrison Martin  
Kay Moore  
Allen Ray, Ricky Ray

**Security & Greeters**

Buford Bowers, Paul Hodge  
Ronnie Lee  
Mike Erwin, Jared Lowe

Rev. Mat Alexander..... Senior Pastor  
Rev. Woodie Turner..... Associate Pastor  
Rev. Nathan Edwards..... Associate Pastor for Worship  
Miss Lydia Sewell..... Minister of Children & Missions  
Rev. Coale Jordan..... Minister of Students & Media  
Mrs. Sharon Reynolds..... Pianist  
Mrs. Lana Cornutt..... Organist

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
GADSDEN**  
235 South Fifth Street  
Gadsden, AL 35901  
256-547-6828

"THE COMFORT OF IMMANUEL"  
2 THESSALONIANS 2:16-17



December 4, 2022

**Advent Decorations**  
Help us decorate the sanctuary for the holiday season by ordering an amaryllis or poinsettia in memory of or in honor of someone.  
Please fill out the form below and **Hurry! Numbers are limited.** There are **23** poinsettias available.  
\_\_\_ Poinsettia (\$30)  
**Pick up after Christmas Eve Service**  
**In memory / honor of (circle/one):**  
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**By** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Sunday, December 4, 2022 10:30 am**

Prelude Mrs. Lana Cornutt

Welcome Rev. Nathan Edwards,  
Associate Pastor for Worship

Carol 88 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" MENDELSSOHN  
Stanzas 1 & 2

Lighting of the Advent Candle: PEACE Dr. & Mrs. Ben Carr,  
Jack & Max

Congregation Response "Jesus Came to Dwell Among Us" HARLAN  
(see following page)

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Woodie Turner,  
Associate Pastor



Carol 83 "Arise, Your Light Is Come" FESTAL SONG

Message "The Comfort of Immanuel" Rev. Mat Alexander,  
2 Thessalonians 2:16-17 Senior Pastor  
Page 1360 in pew Bible

Time of Response Mrs. Sharon Reynolds

Congregational Benediction 88  
"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" MENDELSSOHN  
Stanza 3

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Son of righteousness!  
Light and life to all He brings, ris'n with healing in His wings.  
Mild He lays His glory by, born that man no more may die,  
Born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them second birth.  
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Postlude Mrs. Lana Cornutt

**Christmas**  
*at First*

Jesus Came to Dwell Among Us (refrain)



**Lottie Moon Christmas Tea**  
Sunday, December 4, 2022  
2:00 PM  
FBC Fellowship Hall

Guest Speaker Ann Harrison will share the story of her family's mission work in Turkey and their escape from persecution.  
**ALL LADIES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND**

**IMMANUEL**  
CHRISTMAS CONCERT  
DECEMBER 11 - 6 PM  
FELLOWSHIP RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

**LASAGNA**  
*for Lottie!*

Christmas at First  
Donate what you wish for a plate of Joyce's famous lasagna!

All proceeds go to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions.

**December 14**  
**5:00-5:45 pm**

**This Week at FBC**

**Sunday, December 4**  
9:15 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Morning Worship  
2:00 pm Missions Tea  
8:00 pm Rebroadcast  
Comcast Channel 5

**Monday, December 5**  
8:00 am Ladies Exercise

**Tuesday, December 6**  
6:30 am Men's Prayer Group  
12:15 pm Finance Committee Mtg.

**Wednesday, December 7**  
8:00 am Ladies Exercise  
10:00 am Backpack Ministry  
5:00 pm Wednesday Night Supper  
**Supper Menu: Baked Chicken  
Mac & Cheese, Baked Beans**  
**Adults: \$5, 18 & under eat free**  
5:30 pm Prayer Time  
5:45 pm Children & Youth Activities

**Missions in Honduras**

Special Guests:  
Missionaries Jeff & Misti Fairchild  
Wednesday, December 7 - 6 PM

Dress Rehearsal Schedule for  
**IMMANUEL**

5:30 Orchestra  
6:15 Children, Youth, & Adult  
Choirs and Orchestra  
7:00 Adult Choir and Orchestra

**Thursday, December 8**  
12:00 pm SA/Friends Christmas Party

**Friday, December 9**  
8:00 am Ladies Exercise

Thank you for being our guest today!

Please fill out the information card and place in the offering plate as you leave the service. If you prefer, please scan this code.



**GUEST INFORMATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Other Contact Info \_\_\_\_\_

**Prayer Requests**

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**Christmas**  
*at First*

**Sunday, December 11**  
Sanctuary Choir/Orchestra in pm

**Wednesday, December 14**  
Lasagna for Lottie

**Wednesday, December 21**  
No Wednesday Night Activities

**Saturday, December 24**  
Christmas Eve Service

**Sunday, December 25**  
Casual Christmas Morning service

**Sunday, January 1**  
Prayer Emphasis in Fellowship Hall