Thank You For Coming

If you are our guest, we have a special gift for you after today's service. So we can get to know you better, please fill out both sides of this tear-off section and bring it to the Information Center near the columns. We have a gift bag ready for you.

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child's name	birthdate

From Our Pastor

John said, "The Word became flesh and took up His residence among us. We observed His glory, the glory as the One and Only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth." (John 1:14)



What a marvelous occasion to celebrate Christmas Eve this year on Sunday! Thank you for joining us for this service. People have been praying all week that all who worship with us today will see the love of God.

Perhaps many of you are our guests today. If so, we say, "Welcome to First Baptist Church." If you are visiting from out of town, we pray God blesses this time you get to spend with friends and family. If you live in Lafayette, and do not have a regular place of worship, why don't you consider making First Baptist your permanent church home? We would love to talk with you more about what it means to be part of the family of God first, and then, First Baptist Church.

This month, we have celebrated the Christmas season with the theme "Activate Advent." We have considered the Advent themes of hope, peace, and joy. Today, we consider the theme of love.

Join us back tonight for a traditional Christmas Eve service at 5:00 p.m. We have a little bit of something for every member of your family. We do not have any childcare available tonight.

Merry Christmas from Your Pastors and Staff,



December 24, 2017

24, 2017 Sermon Notes

Activate Advent
Activate Love
1 John 3:1-3, 16-18; 4:7-21

	His Love
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in His Love

others with His Love







Morning Worship

10:00 a.m.

Little Town First Baptist Choir and Orchestra

The Birthday of a King

Welcome & Prayer

For Unto Us First Baptist Choir and Orchestra

> Away in a Manger God So Loved the World

Message

Activate Love

1 John 3:1-3, 16-18; 4:7-21 Pastor Steve Horn

Invitation Hymn

They'll Know We Are Christians

Offertory Prayer
Glenn Emfinger, Deacon of the Week

Sing We Now of Christmas/ God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen Matt Cobb, Saxophone Joe Garbarino, Piano

CCLI#61564

The flowers are given in memory of Mr. & Mrs. C.A. Burney and Mr. & Mrs. Perry McCormick by Luther and Marilynn Burney.

Christmas Poinsettias in the Worship Center are given

in memory of Bruce Wiseman, given by Mr. & Mrs. David Wiseman.

in memory of Mathilde Hebert, given by John and Jessica Ward.

in memory of Mary Olive McPhaul, given by Jewel Horn.

in memory of Dorothy (Dot) Vatter, given by Faye, Richard, and Ryan Johnson.

in memory of James Vatter, given by Faye, Richard, and Ryan Johnson.

in memory of Aaron Hill, given by Judy, Terry and Jeff.

in memory of Vernon Albert, given by Reatha Albert.

in memory and honor of the Begnaud Family, given by Camille Begnaud.

When men know they cannot hope in a country, in a political belief, or in themselves, they become free to hope in God."
RANDY ALCORN

WOMEN'S MINISTRY BOOK CLUB

JANUARY 26 | 7-9PM

SWEET AND SALTY SNACKS PROVIDED

READ THE BOOK FIRST AND JOIN US FOR DISCUSSION!













Sympathy

To Mike Suiter in the death of his mother, Grace LeBlanc Suiter.

To Audrey Fuqua in the death of her son, Patrick Fuqua.

THIS ONE THING

Pray this week that all might experience the hope, peace, joy and love of Christmas.

Thank You

Our thanks to our wonderful church family for your prayers, calls, cards and love shown to our family during Truitt's illness and passing. Bonnie Calhoun and Family

December 17, 2017

 Main School Enrollment 3,378 Attendance
 814

 Average Attendance since Sept. 03, 2017
 1,017

 Offerings
 \$92,530.91

 Budget
 \$68,133.17

 Designated
 \$21,623.51

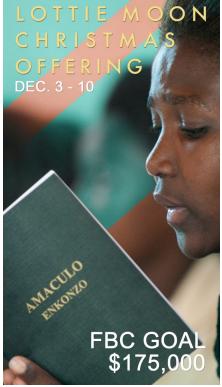
 ALL IN
 \$2,774.23

 YTD Budget Receipts
 \$4,374,691.60

 YTD Budget Requirements
 \$4,277,725.98

Wednesday, December 27
No activities
or Midweek Service

Wednesday, January 3
No Family Fellowship Supper
Midweek Service at 6:00pm





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Sunday 11:00 a.m. & 10:00 p.m.
Cox Ch. 97 LUS Ch. 18 Uverse Ch. 40

Year-End Giving Information

As 2017 quickly draws to a close, would you prayerfully consider how God may lead you to give to First Baptist Church? Whether your donations are for general use through the church budget or for a specific use such as ALL IN, the following information from the church Accounting Office can help you process your gift.

According to IRS regulations, your year-end donations must meet the following deadlines in order to receive credit for calendar year 2017 tax purposes.

IN PERSON: Contributions must be received in hand by Sunday, December 31, 2017. The church office will be open until 1:00 p.m. on Friday, December 29, to receive contributions that will qualify as a 2017 donation, so please mark your calendar accordingly.

BY MAIL: Any donations received via mail will be treated as a 2017 donation if the postmark date on the envelope is on or before December 31, 2017.

ON-LINE GIVING: Contributions may also be made through the church website at **www.fbclaf.org/give**. On-line gifts must be processed on-line by December 31, 2017.

For information and assistance regarding Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD) up to \$100K directly from an IRA to the church, contact the accounting office.

You may contact Gizell Simmons in the Accounting Office at 593-3651 should you desire additional information.

Couples Conference February 2-3

Created to Connect is designed for married, dating, engaged, and separated couples, 18 and over, who have a sincere desire to improve and strengthen their relationship. The conference is free. You should plan to stay "off-the-grid" from 6:00 p.m. Friday to 6:00 pm Saturday. Please arrange your own childcare during this time.

To register, please list both names below, as well as the best ways to get in touch with one of you. Drop this form in the offering plate or at the Information Center.

First Name	Last Name	
First Name	Last Name	
Best Email Address		

Best Phone Number