

# December 2019

## NEWS & VIEWS OF WILLIAMS

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"Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.' And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!'"

— Luke 2:9-14

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December is that month that seems to take its sweet time getting here. When it does arrive, though, we never quite seem completely ready for it, and by the time we think we've got a handle on it, it slips right past us and on into a New Year, leaving us wondering what exactly happened and looking forward to its next arrival. It is fitting to celebrate the arrival of the Christ-child in the month that takes so long to get here and leaves us still looking forward to its next arrival, for we anticipate the birth of Christ and once it arrives, we find ourselves looking forward to his return.

Here are a few things to look forward to this month as we celebrate Advent and Christmas together: on **Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> we** will begin the Advent season with our traditional Hanging of the Green during morning worship. That evening **at 6:00 P.M.** we will have our choir's Christmas music special. Bring your favorite finger food and join us for a time of fellowship in the CMC afterwards.

On the evening of **Wednesday, December 4**<sup>th</sup> we will have supper followed by caroling in our community, so come ready to sing your favorite Christmas carols.

On **December 8<sup>th</sup> beginning at 5:00 P.M.** there will be a church-wide progressive supper; details have been and will be listed in the bulletin.

On **December 24<sup>th</sup>**, we will have our annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service at **4:00 P.M.** 

My prayer for you this Advent and Christmas season is that the birth of Christ may be more real to you than ever, that presence of Jesus in and around us may be felt with a deeper sense of gratitude and hope, and that the love of God may bring you peace, hope, joy, and love this season and in the days ahead.

Grace and Peace, Chris

#### Ministry & Missions Budget

 Needs

 Monthly
 \$ 26,006.68

 Year to Date
 \$ 305,578.49

**Receipts** \$ 22,785.58 \$ 250.697.61

#### TOTALS ARE THROUGH 11/24/2019

"A special thank you to each and every one of you for your monetary support and hard work that enables First Baptist Church of Williams to touch lives by sharing the love of Jesus". ~Finance Committee

#### COUNTING COMMITTEE FOR DECEMBER

#### Patsy Boozer

## **GREETERS & USHERS FOR DECEMBER**

Alan & Patsy Boozer

Staci Porter & Jack Ponder

## JACKSONVILLE CHRISTIAN OUTREACH CENTER

Our church is scheduled to provide the following items to the J.C.O.C. for the month of **DECEMBER**: Cake Mix, Cake Icing, Dry Beans & Instant Potatoes. <u>Please take</u> your donated items DIRECTLY TO the JCOC located just behind McDonalds.

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

### Sunday

Sunday School	9:00 am					
Morning Worship	10:00 am					
Choir Practice	4:00 pm					
Tuesday						
Bible Study	10:00 am					
Wednesday						
Supper	5:30 pm (Dec 4 & 11)					
Devotion	6:00 pm					

## ADULT GET-TOGETHER

The Thursday night Adult Get-together this month will be held on **Dec 5<sup>th</sup> at 6pm**. Bring your favorite finger foods and join them for an evening of food, fun and fellowship. **This is the only date they will meet in December**.

## FOOD PANTRY

Our food pantry distribution will be held on Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup> <u>from 2-4pm.</u>





## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE

## NURSERY HELPERS

Dec 1	Lori McFall
Dec 8	<b>Beverly Almaroad</b>
Dec 15	Carol McGinnis
Dec 22	Cheryl Lyon
Dec 29	Kari Haynes

Nursery helpers will assist one of our regular nursery workers each Sunday morning for Sunday School and Worship. Our regular nursery workers are: Terri Harris and Sharon Williams. Nursery Helpers if you need to reschedule your day to work, please contact Nikki Haynes.

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#### 3 & 4-YEAR OLD HELPERS

- Dec 1 Callie McFall & Gracie Davis
- Dec 8 Abbi Steele & Maggie Hedgepath
- Dec 15 Randy Blades Dec 22 Nikki Haynes
- Dec 29 Marleah Blades & Sydney Beason
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#### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

- Dec 1 Nikki Haynes
- Dec 8 Kate Hamby & Sharhonda Duncan
- Dec 15 Nikki Haynes & Bethany Johnson
- Dec 22 IN CHURCH
- Dec 29 Kate Hamby & Tyler Teal

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### CHILDREN'S STORY

- Dec 1 Jason Teal
- Dec 8 Kate Hamby
- Dec 15 Randy Blades
- Dec 22 Rhonda Duncan
- Dec 29 Marleah Blades

## WEDNESDAY SUPPER

- Dec 4Soup, Sandwiches & DessertDec 11Chili, Grilled Cheese Sandwiches<br/>& DessertDec 18NO SUPPER
- Dec 25 NO SUPPER



## **December 2019** FBC WILLIAMS CALENDAR

8:15 AM Deacon/Staff Monthly Meeting 10:00 AM Hanging of the Green 6:00 PM Choir Christmas Music Followed by Fellowship Snack 8 5:00 PM PROGRESSIVE SUPPER	2 Happy Birthday Bruce Boozer & Mary Jane Davis 9 5:30 PM CMC RESERVED-K.D. 16	3 10:00 AM BIBLE STUDY 5:30 PM CMC RESERVED-K.D. 10 6:30 PM DAYCARE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM 17 5:30 PM CMC RESERVED-K.D.	4 5:30 PM Supper & Christmas Caroling Happy Birthday Paula Ingram 11 5:30 PM Supper 6:00 PM Devotion, Children & Youth Activities Happy Birthday Bob McLeod 18 Happy Birthday Katie Edwards	5 6:00 PM Adult Get-together Happy Birthday Patsy Boozer 12 12	6 5:30 PM CMC RESERVED-K.D. 13 5:30 PM CMC RESERVED-K.D. 6:00 PM Deacon/Staff Christmas @ Back Forty Barn 20 5:30 PM CMC	7 Happy Birthday Chris Cheatwood, Emily Johnston & Shirley Justice 14 Happy Birthday John E. English 21 Happy Birthday
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