

First Sunday of Advent

Sunday, November 29, 2020

Welcome! Thank you for worshiping with us. Here is this week's [order of worship](#) and [sermon notes](#).



We're Here to Serve You - We invite your prayer requests and questions. You may use the response card in the pew (drop it in the offering boxes located at each entrance) or our digital communication card at talk2first.org.

Family Worship - We are happy to have our children worshiping with us this week. **Junior Worship** will return next Sunday! If you or your child needs assistance at any time during the service, please come to the Welcome Center at the rear of the stage.

First Baptist Online - For information on our ministries and upcoming events visit our [website](#). And for real-time updates, follow us on [Facebook](#).

Giving - Thank you for your continued financial support of our ministries through your tithes and offerings. In addition to the offering boxes located in the Sanctuary, the following options are available for your convenience.

1. Send checks through the mail to the church office. You may request offering envelopes by calling the church office.
2. Text Give2First and the amount you want to give to the number 73256.
3. Give online through our church website - www.fbclebanon.org - by clicking on the GIVING button.

Coming Up

November 29th: Special called business meeting following the worship service to review the 2021 budget and pending items.

December 6: Week of Prayer for International Missions

December 13: Missions Focus with Special Guest Jamie Work

Opportunities

Pray First - "Prayer does not equip us for greater works— prayer is the greater work." -Oswald Chambers. Join us Tuesday night at 7 PM for our weekly church Zoom prayer call as we lift up one another, our church, and God's kingdom work in the world. Click the following link to participate: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3138341482>

Please pray for: Elaine Pearson (heart procedure on November 30), Christy Russel (loss of her mother), Barbara Thomas (setback this week), Donnie Hamilton (home following knee surgery), Charlie Pass (home, following heart surgery), Bobby Johnson (home following heart surgery), David Frost (cancer treatment), COVID patients and front-line medical workers

HEAR the Word Together 2021 - Let's join together next year to HEAR God's Word! The goal is to read through the New Testament (1 chapter a day, 5 days a week) as well as reflect on what we're reading with a simple journaling process - HEAR. Learn more about the reading plan and HEAR journaling [here](#). We want to encourage one another throughout the year by linking up with a partner, our family or a group. Let us know how you wish to participate or any questions you have by [filling out this response form](#).

Come Ring for a Change! Salvation Army needs bell ringers! If you or your family can cover an hour or more (Walmart or Kroger), please contact Sergeant Tom at 615-784-9555. This money helps more than 700 families with food, Christmas gifts, gas and winter housing PLUS keeps the Lake Street Learning Center and The Roast open! Learn more at www.salvationarmykytn.org/locations/lebanon .

Christmas Parade Outreach (Sunday, December 6) - Once again we will be welcoming many of our neighbors to our campus for the Lebanon Christmas Parade. Teams are needed to distribute candy bags and the Good News! Meet on the front steps by 1:30 PM.

Shelter Volunteers Still Needed! - Compassionate Hand's homeless shelters open December 1. Our church will provide volunteers for the women's shelter on Mondays. Please contact Nora Chambers or the church office for more information on the many ways you can help.

Meet Needs for Homeless - PHOEBE Connections is gathering items for the homeless who will be served through Compassionate Hands shelters this winter. Requested items are: warm coats for men/women, durable boots for men/women, steel-toed boots for men, rain ponchos, head and toe warmers, and deodorant for men/women. Goodwill, Community Help Center, and Haven of Hope Thrift Store may be places to shop for deals. Deliver items to The Rock on Tuesday, December 1st from 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm. See Nora Chambers for more details.

Upward - Our first Upward Clinic is coming up on December 12. Volunteers are needed to assist those who are leading the clinic. Contact Deric Spurgeon for more information.

Buckets are Back - During 2020 we have distributed dozens of "Welcome Buckets" to our new neighbors. We have 70 buckets that need a home! Stop by the Welcome Center to pick up a bucket and provide a much needed blessing to someone near you!

Tornado Reconstruction Team - Many of our neighbors are still struggling to recover from the March tornado. A First Baptist team is being organized to help homeowners with repairs and light construction. See Glenn Chambers for more information.