

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH SUFFOLK

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By His *Grace*
For His *Glory*

FROM YOUR PASTOR'S HEART

This Sunday, December 8th, is one of the highlights of the year at FBC – our **Ingathering for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering**. Our goal is \$60,000...for the last, the least, and the lost. What more important gift could you give this Christmas? There isn't one. Our IMB missionaries rely on this offering to be able to be **sent** to the field and to be able to **stay** on the field, where they are shining the light of Christ in the darkest places. Pray about your gift. Give sacrificially, even as we thank God for a Savior who loved us and gave Himself for us! At the end of the service, you'll have the opportunity come forward with your gift and spend a few moments in prayer for the nations. It is an exciting and moving time as we move toward the altar with gifts that will touch the world with the gospel!



We will also continue in our Advent series on John 1:1-18. This Sunday, we will look at **John 1:6-9** and talk about being **"Witnesses Of The Light."**

I hope to see you then. Abide in Christ and tell a friend the good news about Him, then invite them to FBC to hear more.

By His Grace, For His Glory, To The Nations,

Pastor Thurman

Dr. Thurman Hayes, Jr.



REACHING THE NATIONS

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Church Goal: \$60,000



Week of Prayer - Dec. 1-8, 2024

Ingathering - Dec. 8, 2024

LOTTIE MOON GIFTS YTD: \$23,007

EVENTS

THIS SUNDAY MORNING

December 8, 2024
"Witnesses Of The Light"
John 1:6-9



CHRISTMAS EVENTS



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Sunday evening, December 15th, we encourage you to invite your family and friends to join us for a Christmas Celebration, "An Evening of Songs and Scripture" at 6:30 PM. Refreshments to follow in the Welcome Area!



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Tuesday evening, December 24th, join us for our very special Christmas Eve Service at 5 PM! We will join together in singing Christmas carols and sharing about the hope of Christ this Christmas Season. The service will include candlelight and participation in The Lord's Supper. We look forward to having you and your loved ones as we celebrate the birth of Christ!

ATTENDANCE

SUNDAY,	DECEMBER 1, 2024	
9:00 AM	Sunday School	217
10:30 AM	Morning Worship	303

GIVING REPORT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FBCSTUDENTS»

Sunday School

Join us Sunday mornings from 9:00-10:15 AM in the Student Center. A great time of age and gender specific Bible study groups for students grades 6-12th.

Midweek

Join us Wednesday nights from 6:00-7:30 PM in the Student Center. A great time of Bible study and fellowship for students grades 6-12th. Pizza is available for \$1.00 per slice!

FBC KIDS»

Sunday School

Children's Sunday School meets Sunday mornings on the 3rd floor hallway from 9:00-10:10 AM. Our classes are arranged in K-2nd grade and 3rd-5th grade groups.

Awana

Join us from 6:00 - 7:30 PM on Wednesday nights. A great time of Bible study and fellowship for students 3 YO - 5th grade.

FBC PRESCHOOL»

Sunday School

Preschool & Nursery Sunday mornings 9:00 AM.

Parents - Important Reminder

Please remember to check in at the Preschool Check-in desk.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



MERRY MUGS WITH MOM

This is an event for Moms and their student ministry daughters! This will be held in the Student Center, this Sunday December 8th from 5:30 - 7:00 PM! **Bring a wrapped mug for the mug exchange!** Soups and snacks will be provided! Please RSVP for food purposes to Brittany Caldwell (540) 931-7485.

UPCOMING CHURCH OFFICE CLOSINGS

Tuesday, December 24th
Wednesday, December 25th
Thursday, December 26th
Wednesday, January 1st

SUFFOLK CHRISTIAN ACADEMY EMPLOYMENT

Suffolk Christian Academy seeks to employ Christ-centered and enthusiastic individuals to help lead the charge in raising up the next generation to be "Defenders of the Faith".

Applications and resumes are accepted throughout the year. Please view our current openings below and submit a completed SCA Employment Application and resume to Brittany Caldwell, Human Resources Coordinator, at hr@scaknights.org. To apply for a position, visit our website at suffolkchristianacademy.org/about/employment.

- Upper School Teacher (Science and Bible)
- Bus Drivers
- Substitutes
- Extended Care

FBC SUFFOLK EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

We are accepting applications for a full-time Administrative Assistant/Pastor's Secretary position. A job description and application are available at the church website: fbc-suffolk.org/positions.

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

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