

PRAYER & PRAISE

The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective
-James 5:16-

Current

Annell Almand Jack Bryan Faith Lamonds Atlas Phillips	Jonh Quiggle Logan Shuey Ronnie Smith Robert Stafford	Henry Walker Janette Yandle Family of Donald Kelly
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Ongoing

Jimmy Allen Phil Allen Donnie Baxter Cathy Bridges John Floyd Bridges Brian Briggs Janet Chisler Bill Cotten Kristy Cotton Frye	Darrell Garner Lou Anne Griffin Heather Hickman Arthur Henry Barbara Johnson Brenda Johnson Casey Johnson Neill Knapp Joe Luck	Lisa Luxton Martin Pat McGalliard Molly Margaret O'Quinn John Porter Crystal Smith Ross Fran Thomas Janice Thomas Jean Tillotson Larry Wicker
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On Mission Field Jonathan & Jess Bridges

<u>Homebound/</u> <u>Nursing Home</u>	Ernestine Bridges	Gary Doby	Ruby Medlin
<u>Military/</u> <u>Civil Service</u>	Bob Covil	Neil Medlin	
	Keith Garner	Luke Shaver	Andrew Smith
	Trevor Owens	Kyle Sine	

We wish to extend our sincere gratitude for those who prepared and delivered meals to our home during John Floyd Bridges' recovery from a fall. We thank you also for the love and friendship shown to us during his rehabilitation. Thank you also for the cards that are being sent to him as well. Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas.

With Love, John Floyd Bridges and family



Thank you for Encouraging our
Children and Youth in Missions and Music



You greatly encourage and support our children and youth. Thank you for your kind words following the *Instruments of Christ* musical last Sunday and for joining us on Wednesday for the *Family Night Meal*. Our costumed Acteens and RAs put themselves fully into hosting the meal and then partnering with Children's Committee for the *Birthday Party for Jesus*. We are taking a holiday break, but Mission Friends, GAs, Acteens, and RAs will resume their missions meetings on Wednesday, January 4th. Please pray that the children and parents attending the birthday party will come alongside us so that we grow in Christ.

Birthday Blessing: Jesus - 25th

Luke 2:6-7
6 And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.
7 And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

College Student
of the Month

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Pregnancy Center Needs:

- ♥ 9 -12 months girl's sleeper/ winter clothes
- ♥ Diaper Sizes 3 to 6
- ♥ Prayer need: For children and parents to stay healthy



Our Deacon Ministry:

Deacon of the Month: Brad Boisvert

John Quiggle - Chairman (2023)	Davis Harris - V. Chairman (2023)	Stephanie Bridges - Secretary (2024)
Steve Cotten (2023)	Tom Luck (2024)	Fedd Walker (2025)
Brad Boisvert (2024)	Reid Cagle (2025)	Roger Worrell (2025)

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Dr. Gary McCollough, Pastor garyfsbc@gmail.com
Leonard Harris, Minister of Music Emeritus
Barbara Miles, Church Secretary fsbc4148@windstream.net
Regina Mangum, Organist Gail Luck, Pianist

Last Week at a Glance

Weekly Budget Requirements	\$	6,461.54
Budget Received on 12/11/2022	\$	5,045.00
Designated:	\$	675.00
CBF Global Missions	\$50.00	
WMU-DR School Lunches	\$50.00	
Global Outreach Int'l	\$50.00	
Lottie Moon	\$25.00	
Staff Christmas Gifts	\$500.00	
Total Income	\$	4,370.00
Sunday School: 122	Worship Service: 141	

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Flat Springs Baptist Church is a family of believers
who seek . . .

to **Glorify** God,
to **Guide** others to Christ,
to **Grow** in our faith, and
to **Give** of ourselves

Morning Worship Service

December 18, 2022

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING FIRST ADVENT CANDLE Luck Family

INVOCATION Diaconate Member

CALL TO WORSHIP "For Unto Us" Chancel Choir

***OFFERTORY** HYMN No. 126 "Angels, from the Realms of Glory"

OFFERTORY PRAYER
WE WORSHIP GOD WITH HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 107 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

CHILDREN'S SERMON Chelsey Cagle

PASTORAL PRAYER Dr. Gary McCollough

CHOIR SPECIAL "Joy! Medley" Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE Matthew 5:14-16

MESSAGE "A Light that Remains" Dr. Gary McCollough

***INVITATIONAL** HYMN No. 79 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

BENEDICTION Dr. Gary McCollough

BENEDICTION RESPONSE Chancel Choir

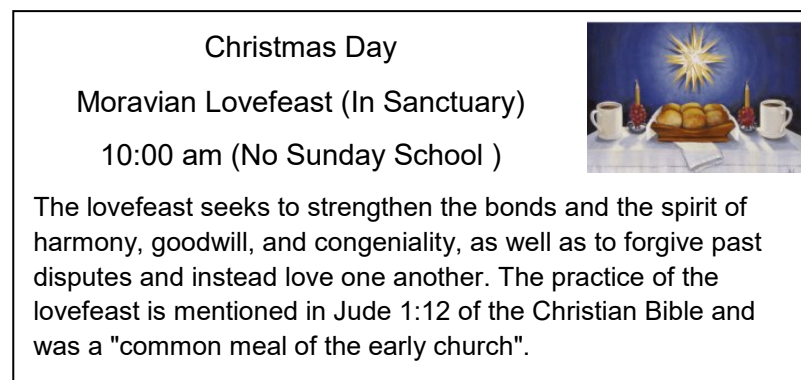
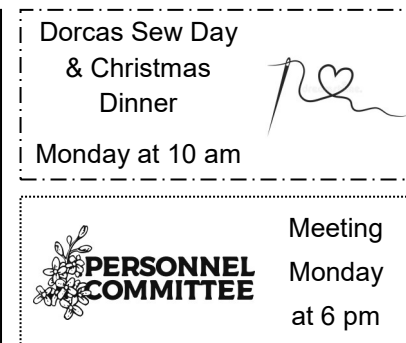
*CONGREGATION STANDING

Reminders	December 25 th	January 1 st
Children's Church	All in Sanctuary for	Lynn & Kathryn Ragan
Children's Sermon	Moravian Lovefeast	Martha Ragan
Nursery		Diane & Martha

Welcome Visitors! We are pleased to have you visiting with us today. If you are visiting for the first time, please take a moment to fill out a visitor's card located in the pew in front of you so that we may have a record of your visit. We provide nursery for ages 0-2 and Children's Church, after the children's sermon, for ages 3-4.

Opportunities for the Week:

Sunday (18th) 8:00 Baptist Men's Breakfast
(Fourth Sunday of Advent) 9:00 Sunday School
10:00 Morning Worship
6:00 Choir Cantata
Monday (19th) 10:00 Dorcas Sew Day & Christmas Dinner
6:30 Personnel Committee Meeting
Wednesday (21st) No Wednesday Night Activities
Saturday (24th) 6:00 Service of Lessons & Carols
Sunday (25th) 10:00 Morning Worship - Moravian LoveFeast
Monday (26th) Church Office Closed



A Light that Remains

Matthew 5:14-16

Introduction: During this advent season, we have looked at the light of Christmas. We have reminded ourselves of the light that was coming, the light that leads and the wonderful light that is the glory of God. Today, on this last Sunday of Advent, next Sunday being Christmas day, let us look at the light that remains, the church that is made up of disciples - people who are doing our best to act, sound, speak, and live like Jesus.

- I. Reflects
 - a. Jesus gives an imperative: "You are..."
 - b. The light that remains points others to the light of the world.
- II. Radiates
 - a. Not Hidden or covered.
 - b. The light that remains must find a place of on the lampstand and become one of the many lights on that make up the city on the hill!
- III. Redirects
 - a. People see our good works and are redirected to look past us!
 - b. The light that remains redirects them to the Heavenly Father.

Conclusion: Today, you and I are told by God that we are the light that remains visible on this earth to point the world to the glory of God. That is our purpose. We must live a life that remains faithful to reflect, radiate, and redirect the lost to the glory of God.

Three Ways to Support our Foreign Missionaries

1. **Pray** for our foreign and home missionaries throughout the year.
2. **Make a designated donation** using one of the special giving envelopes.
3. **Use the Lottie Moon Post Office.** Simply label a giving envelope with the words *Lottie Moon Post Office* and enclose your donation equal to the cost of stamps. Each week, be sure to check the alphabetized boxes to collect any cards addressed to you.

