

**Thanksgiving Sunday  
Morning Worship**

**November 19, 2017  
10:30 a.m.**

Welcome and Announcements

Video Greeting from Pastor Scotty

Prelude: *"For the Beauty of the Earth"* arr. Michael Burkhardt

Call to Worship:

\*Opening Hymn: *"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"* 381

\*Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

*Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

\*Response: *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*  
Words on Screen

Ministry of Music: *"All Good Gifts"* Joseph R. Martin  
Sanctuary Choir

Children's Message: Melissa Worbis

Ministry of Music: *"Simple Gifts"* arr. Kevin McChesney  
First Baptist Ringers

Registration of Attendance

Giving of God's Tithe and Our Offerings

Offertory: *"A New Thanksgiving"* Joel Raney  
Sanctuary Choir

Prayer of Dedication of Our Offerings

Reading of the Word: Romans 8: 28-39

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon: "We Gather Together" Rev. Dr. Wayne Paulsen

\*Hymn of Invitation: *"Now Thank We All Our God"* 374

Benediction

Postlude: *"Praise and Thanksgiving"* arr. Charles Callahan

\*Congregation stands as able.

**Budget receipts** thru Nov. 12, 2017 - \$270,132.96

Received 11/12 - \$10,100.00 11/12 Worship Attendance: 129

67 Pledges for 2018 received through 11/12/17 - \$265,160.00

**Betty Creech Memorial Scholarship** Fund given to date: \$4,399.00

**Fall Business Meeting** will immediately follow worship this morning. Please plan to stay for this important meeting.

**Thanksgiving Dinner and Program** begins tonight at 6 p.m. Bring a dish to share according to your last name beginning A-C potatoes (white or sweet), D-I (dessert-pie, cake, cookies, etc.) bring in by 4 p.m., J-N salad, O-Z vegetable. The turkey, dressing, gravy, green beans, rolls, beverage and place setting will be provided by the Board of Deacons.

**Annual Hanging of the Greens** – On Saturday, November 25 @ 9 AM, the Deacons will be decorating the Church for the upcoming 2017 Advent Season. We could use all volunteers that are available. Last year we had many helpers and the task went really fast! Let Bob Baird (937-543-6237) know if you will be able and willing to help. Thanks.

**WNK Singers** will present *God's Promise Came True* at **5 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 3**. Through narration and music, the children will tell the familiar story of Jesus' birth. We will have a LIVE nativity that night that will allow us all to be a part of the beautiful Christmas story. ALL CHILDREN (toddlers on up) who want to wear a costume and take part in the live nativity need to let Chris Baird (or Beth Daly) know soon so we can assign costumes for everyone in a couple of weeks. Afterwards, everyone is invited to stay for pizza and crafts in the Celebration Center sponsored by the Board of Christian Education.

**To the First Baptist Church Ladies**, Mary & Martha class is sponsoring a trip to "Remember When Tea Room" in Waynesville on Dec. 9. We will be using the church bus and will leave the church at 10:30 a.m. promptly to arrive for tea at 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$25/person, which includes the tax and tip. RSVP by Dec. 1 to Rosy Burchett or Vonda Barner. Payment in advance is necessary.

## Serving Among Us Today

Interim Pastor	Rev. Dr. Wayne Paulsen
Director of Music/Organist:	Christine Baird
Sanctuary Choir Director:	Brian Shepard
Children's Church Teacher:	Danita Scoggins
Greeters:	Charles and Jeanette Montgomery
Deacons Greeting:	Barb Brown, Bob Welch
Video Technicians:	Mark Dunaway, Joni Janney
Audio Technicians:	Ron Cobb, Mike Hauck
Head Ushers:	Ken Standafer, Dave Adams

**"Good Tidings of Great Joy"** is the theme this year for the ABWM 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Breakfast on Friday, December 1, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. Tickets are \$9.00. Tickets are available now through Nov. 26.

**A Bake Sale** will be part of the Christmas Breakfast and the women/men of the church are invited to prepare and donate plates and/or small containers of cookies, candies, breads, etc. on Thursday, November 30. Thanks!

**Wreaths and Greenery** sold by the Boy Scout Troop is in and available for pickup today in the narthex.

**Please join the Mission and Christian Education Boards** on Wednesday, Nov. 29, 6:30 pm for a presentation from Sojourner Recovery Services. This 1-hour presentation and question time will help our congregation understand the seriousness of the opioid crisis in our community and how we can help.

**Christmas Food Drive** - We are collecting non-perishable food items for our Christmas gift baskets. Please bring your donations to the church and place them chapel area of the sanctuary by December 17. Thank you for your generous donation to help the hungry in our community.

**Mission Tree** – Experience the joy of Christmas with those less fortunate of our community. Please take a name or two off the Mission tree in the narthex (Nov. 26) and purchase the gift the child requested and return **by Dec. 17** wrapped with the ornament attached to the outside. The packages will be delivered on the morning **of Dec. 18**. Many Christmas blessings to you for supporting this wonderful mission.

**First Baptist Church, 4500 Riverview Avenue, Middletown, OH  
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## This Week at First

### Today, November 19

8:45 a.m. Prayer  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship  
After Worship Fall Business Mtg.  
6 p.m. Thanksgiving Dinner  
And Program

### Monday, November 20

6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts  
7 p.m. Yoga  
7:30 p.m. F B Ringers  
8 p.m. Basketball

### Tuesday, November 21

9 a.m. Rev It Up aerobics  
7 p.m. Scouts

### Wednesday, November 22

10 a.m. Yoga  
NO Choir rehearsals  
NO ABY

### Thursday, November 23

**Thanksgiving Day**  
Church Office & Day  
Care Closed  
7:30 p.m. AA mtg.

### November 24

Church Office & Day Care Closed

### November 26

9 a.m. Hanging of the Greens

## Coming Soon

### November 26

Prayer  
Sunday School  
Worship- Pastor Thomas  
from Calvary Chin Baptist

### November 27

Cub Scouts  
Yoga  
FB Ringers  
Basketball

### November 28

Rev It Up aerobics  
Board meet  
Scouts

### November 29

Yoga  
WNK  
Sojourner Presentation  
ABY  
Sanctuary Choir

### November 30

Rev It Up aerobics  
Tai Chi  
Set Up for Christmas Breakfast

### December 1

Christmas Breakfast

### December 2

Children's Dress rehearsal