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# First Southern Baptist Church 215 E. Ettels Lane Clarksville IN 47129

#### **Church Office Hours**

The Ministry Assistant will be on vacation from December 24, 2018 - January 2, 2019. The church office will be closed Monday & Tuesday, December 24 & 25, 2018 & Tuesday, January 1, 2019 for the Christmas & New Years Holidays. If you need to contact the staff during the holidays, we will be checking phone messages regularly.

#### **Communicators**

Due to the holidays, there will be no communicators until Monday, January, 7, 2019.

Sunday School		Worship Services	
Adult	93	AM	127
Youth	6	PM	143
Children	9		
Preschool	7	Awana	
Total:	115	Nursery	1
		Puggles	2
		Cubbies	5
		Sparks	5
		T&T	5
		Total:	18

#### Offering Information

Budget Needed: \$ 10,829.00 Offering Received: \$ 12,811.11 Designated Other: \$ 2,416.00 **Total:** \$ **15,227.11** 

#### **Church Staff**

#### **Pastor**

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Worshiping, witnessing, growing, serving...in the name of Jesus Christ and for His glory.

### The Communicator

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## Merry Christmas from the Staff of First Southern Baptist Church



### Pastor's Paragraphs

Our choir did it again! Way to go, FSBC choir - you knocked the ball out of the park again! Thank you for leading us to worship King Jesus in such a fantastic way Sunday night. It was great! And wasn't it great to see the church full? Extra tables had to be pulled out for the fellowship time after the service.

The choir, under John's leadership, worked very hard to be prepared to lead us in this special time of Christmas worship and praise. You could tell. I don't think I've ever heard them sound better. People who love Jesus, filled with his spirit, singing about him – that's the best Christmas music around. Thanks again!

Thanks also to the ladies who served dessert at a recent Clarksville Cares ministry to students at Clarksville High. Ten of our ladies contributed desserts and five served at the shopping event for the students. Our mission team is also participating in helping 131 students with Christmas gift bags and food before the school Christmas break. Thank you, Mission Team, for leading us to "share the love of Christ," with our community in this special way. Opal Bowles is the leader of our Mission Team.

Christmas caroling is this Wednesday night, Dec. 19, beginning with supper at 5:30. After supper we will go out into local neighborhoods to sing carols to our neighbors, bearing witness to Jesus, the reason for the season. We will return around 7:45 or 8:00 for hot chocolate and cookies. It is always great fun! Why not come and join us this year? (There will be no other activities at the church Wednesday night).

This Sunday is our Christmas worship service, the last Sunday before Christmas. In fact, it's our last worship service before Christmas. Make plans now to be present. What better way is there to celebrate the season than to worship the Lord together with his people?

Merry Christmas! Bro. Russ

### The Upcoming Week

#### Sunday, December 23

9:00 AM Men's Prayer Meeting
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:45 AM Worship Service
There will be no evening service

or activities

#### Monday, December 24

Christmas Eve - Office Closed

#### Tuesday, December 25

Christmas Day - Office Closed

#### Wednesday, December 26

No evening service or activities

#### **Thursday, December 27**

8:30 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast at Denny's

#### **Sunday, December 30**

9:00 AM Men's Prayer Meeting 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:45 AM Worship Service 6:15 PM Worship Service

#### Tuesday, January 1, 2019

New Year's Day - Office Closed

#### Wednesday, January 2

5:45 PM Meal: Chili, hot dogs, chips, brownies & fruit cocktail
6:15 PM "Ignite" Bible Study (Youth)
6:30 PM Adult Bible Study/Prayer

#### Thursday, January 3

8:30 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast at Denny's

#### Sunday, January 6, 2019

9:00 AM	Men's Prayer Meeting
9:30 AM	Sunday School
10:45 AM	Worship Service - AM Service
5:00 PM	Worship Choir Rehearsal
6:15 PM	Worship Service
7:20 PM	Deacon's Meeting

### A Word from John

Thank you to our Worship Choir for a wonderful time of worship Sunday night with their presentation of, "The Glory of Christmas!" The Lord blessed us with great weather and a great turnout for the service. Thank you to our Fellowship Team for the table decorations and for serving the food during our fellowship time after the service. Our hope is that Christ was magnified and exalted through the cantata, and that everyone who attended was blessed.

If you enjoy singing Christmas carols, join us Wednesday night for the meal at 5:30, and caroling at 6:30. We will be singing in the neighborhoods, and the weather forecast looks good for this event. We hope to see you there!

Maybe you noticed the new church sign in front of the church building. We are so thankful for the most generous donation of this beautiful, modern LED sign that enables us to communicate more effectively the messages that we want to send to our community concerning events and activities, as well as the gospel message of Christ and His love and grace! Good News!

John



Awana Spring Kick-off!
Wednesday, January 2nd at 6:30 pm.

# Remembering in Prayer

**Beehive Assisted Living:** Patty Rogier

**Autumn Woods:** Mary Eddings

**Harrison Health Care Corydon:** Ella Sorrels

Hellenic Sr Living: Daphne Ryan Silvercrest: Juan Figueroa

Traditions at Hunter's Station: Alice Jones Home: Annette Anderson, Vera Benton, Millie Borengasser, Wanda Coleman, Brenda Gaunce, Susan Geary, Lois Hollingsworth, Debbie McCarty, Bro. Jim & Bev Pinkley, Bro. Bryan Ragan, Geanie Smith, Pauline Sullivan, Harold

Swisher, Beulah Truesdell

#### Wednesday night meals

There will be a meal served on Wednesday night, December 19 but there will be NO meal or activities on Wednesday night, December 26, 2018.

#### XYZ update

The XYZ group will have a pitch-in luncheon in the FLC on Thursday, January 17, 2019. "Everyone's birthday party." Bing a wrapped white elephant.

