November 29, 2026

Offering

At FBC Griffin, we recognize that offerings come in many shapes and sizes. We believe that God has entrusted each of us with resources that are to be used for God's glory and the bringing of God's kingdom "on earth as it is in heaven." Therefore, we encourage you to be good stewards of those resources. Feel free to use the space below to share offerings that you would like to present back to God during worship through our online giving feature or by mail. These gifts may include time, talents, presence, service, prayer, or resources.

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Giving Envelopes
Envelopes are available in the back of Morgan Hall for tithes and offerings. We invite you to pick one up or ask an usher for help if you need a giving envelope.

Text "fbcgriffin" to
833-245-5264 (OR)
Scan the QR Code to Give

What does an offering of service look like?
Did you know that dedicated members of our Counting Team meet every Monday morning with Leigh Ann Williams to count our offering? This team plays a critical role in our administrative work.

Floral Arrangements
If you would like to place flowers in the church in honor or memory of a loved one, please contact Alice Blake or call the church office.

Sermon Notes

The Shepherd's Staff
John 10:11-15
Steven Norris preaching

What Child Is This? (Part 1)
First Sunday of Advent

Jesus is the Good Shepherd who knows us personally, loves us sacrificially, and invites us to follow him with confidence. As we celebrate the coming of Christ this Advent, we are reminded that being known and loved by Jesus should transform the way we know and love one another.

The Shepherd _____ *(John 10:14–15a)*

The Shepherd _____ **for Us** *(John 10:11–13, 15b)*

The Shepherd _____ **to Follow** *(John 10:3–5, 14)*

Take it Home: Learn Someone's Story

This week, choose one person you regularly encounter but don't know very well. Make time for a genuine conversation, learn something meaningful about their life, and remember what they share. Because we are known and loved by the Good Shepherd, we can become people who take the time to know and love others.



Connexion Worship

Lighting of the Advent Wreath	David & Cindy Williamson
Away in a Manger / Worthy Is Your Name	Orietta Russom
O Little Town of Bethlehem	Adam Pugh & Orietta Russom
How Many Kings	Orietta Russom
Good Shepherd Came	Adam Pugh
The First Noel	Orietta Russom

Scripture Reading — Jack Craig

John 10:11-15

11 "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.
12 The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the
wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away, and the wolf snatches them and
scatters them. 13 The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for
the sheep. 14 I am the good shepherd. I know my own, and my own know me, 15
just as the Father knows me, and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for
the sheep.

The Word of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

What's Happening @ FBC

Christmas Toy Shop Volunteers & Donations Needed: Our Christmas Toy Shop ministers to families in our community before the Christmas holiday. If you would like to volunteer for this event, or if you are willing to shop for a toy donation, please visit our website for links and details: fbcgriffin.org/christmas-toy-shop. Set up will take place on December 6 after the Connexion worship service and the Toy Shop will be open on Monday, December 7 for those registered to participate.

Christmas Decorations: If you would like to contribute to the decoration of our church during the Christmas season in honor or in memory of a loved one, please place your donation of $15 per acknowledgement (along with the name(s) of the individual(s) being acknowledged) in the offering plate or give it to the church office no later than December 6.

End-of-Year Giving: As 2026 draws to a close, this is a natural time to look back with gratitude at the way God has been faithful to us and the priorities that have guided us. Would you consider a gift to our regular budget or to designated ministry accounts to continue supporting the ongoing ministries of First Baptist Church? Alternatively, you may wish to give a gift to the First Baptist Church Endowment Foundation, Inc., which operates separately from the church, but in its best interests. You can learn more about your giving options at our website: fbcgriffin.org/give.

One Church Worship & Church Conference: We will gather once again as One Church in the Sanctuary on Sunday, December 20th at 11:00 a.m. Our annual church conference will take place on Sunday, December 20th. Members are encouraged to join us for a special meal in Morgan Hall following our One Church Worship Service in the Sanctuary. The Church Conference will take place immediately following the meal.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service: Our traditional Christmas Eve service begins at 5:00 p.m. in our Sanctuary. We celebrate the birth of our Savior through carols, Scripture, communion, and candlelight. The Christmas Eve choir is open to the communith with rehearsal at 4:30 p.m. that evening. All resources are available online for anyone who would like to sing the Hallelujah Chorus with us that evening. Please visit https://fbcgriffin.org/choir-orchestra-resources for more information.

One Church Around the Grand: On Sunday, December 27th we will gather as One Church in Morgan Hall at 11:00 a.m. around the Grand Piano. Children are invited to wear their coziest pajamas and join their families in the Common Grounds Coffeehouse for donuts and coffee prior to the worship service.

Childcare: Childcare for babies through age 3 is available on the preschool hall. Children in preschool through 5th grade are invited to come foward during the Time for Children. Following this time, children are welcome to join the children's leaders in Education Building Room 207 for Children's Worship. Parents should pick their children up from Room 207 at the close of the worship service.

Welcome

If you are a guest, please fill out the information below and drop it in the offering basket.

Name

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Prayer Request

How can we pray for you?

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Would you like for us to share this request with the congregation?

Yes No

First Baptist Griffin
A community of grace.

Seth Brown, Minister of Students & Community Engagement
Erin Clarke, Minister of Music
Ellee Hilley, Minister of Worship Arts
Ron Murray, Minister of Pastoral Care
Steven Norris, Senior Pastor
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