

Pastor Austin Graham

Pastor Austin Graham has been affirmed by Oakland to be our new Pastor starting in January 2027! Thank you for praying throughout the past few months as the Search Team looked for the Pastor that God has called to be here. Please continue to pray for Pastor Austin and his family as he transitions into this new role!

Operation Christmas Child

Thank you for packing shoe boxes for OCC!
A total of 37 boxes were collected from Oakland (plus many more that went directly dropped off at the UBA.)





Christmas Cards

There are tables set up in the hallway near the offices for you to bring in Christmas cards for active church members!

Christmas Musical

The Greatest Story Ever Told
Join us on Sunday, December 13th at 6:00 PM!



Poinsettias

If you would like to sponsor a poinsettia for the Christmas Musical in memory or in honor of someone, please contact the Church Office. Medium poinsettias are $45 and large poinsettias are $55.



Poinsettias will be displayed in the Sanctuary for the Christmas Musical on Sunday, December 13th. You may take your poinsettia home following the Musical. Today is the deadline to order poinsettias.

Bible Studies for Life

A new sermon series starts next Sunday. The BSFL unit is titled *Jesus, God with Us.* Books are available in the SS classrooms and sanctuary foyer.

BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE.

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The Evidence of Forgiveness

Matthew 18:21-35

In Focus: Experiencing God's forgiveness is reflected in our willingness to forgive others.

Look at our World: On January 31, 2025, Ronald Davis brutally attacked 85-year-old Lucy Pat Curl in her home. Five days later she died, leaving behind her husband, four children, eleven grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

In Judge Leticia Marques's courtroom on April 22, Davis pleaded guilty. Before pronouncing the sentence, the judge allowed Mrs. Curl's husband of 64 years, Bill Curl, to make a victim's impact statement. He said, "I would say for him, we have nothing but forgiveness...love...a hope that his life has a better quality and one day he'll come to know Jesus."

After sentencing him to life in prison, Judge Marques said, "Mr. Davis, I rarely see grace in this courtroom, but I saw it today from Rev. Curl. You can thank him for this." Davis quietly responded, "thanks."

How could Rev. Bill Curl, pastoral care minister at First Baptist Orlando, have forgiven someone who took the most precious person in the world from him? He said, he was "surrendering to the Holy Spirit and doing what God says."

Live It Out: View of God. God is the One who forgives, comforts, and strengthens us every day. Thank Him for His grace and the way He works in our lives. Pray for Bill Curl as he grieves the loss of his wife and join him in asking God to draw Ronald Davis to know Jesus. **View of Self.** Think about people you find hardest to forgive. Pray for them and take steps from Matthew 18:15-19 to pursue reconciliation. **View of Others.** In faith, choose to forgive those who have wronged you and find ways to be a blessing in their lives.

Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series

Jesus, God with Us

Sunday, December 6	The Virgin Birth: Mary's Story (Luke 1:26-38)
Sunday, December 13	The Virgin Birth: Joseph's Story (Matthew 1:18-25)

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Opportunities for Ministry & Service

Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Indoor Worship

10:00 AM Online Worship

11:30 AM Living Streams Worship Center

Wednesday

6:30 PM Youth

7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

Christmas Choir Rehearsal

The next practice will be Wednesday, December 2nd at 7:30 PM. *Dress rehearsal will be on Wednesday, December 9th.* Interested in singing with us? No experience needed! Contact Taylor Price (704-490-3776)



Service Attendance

Sunday, November 22

Indoor: 61

Online: 113

Wednesday, November 25

No Online

No Youth

Prayer Requests

Eddie & Candy Anderson

Eddie Baker (Carol's Brother)

George Browning (Irene's Brother)

Gary Clontz

Marlene Crider

Bill & Cindy French

Sam & Wanda Goodwin

Mike & Renee Helms

Lillian Lewis

Pam Majewski

Debbie McKnight

Jennifer Price (Jeremy's Mom)

Kenny & Carolyn Street

Irene Welch

Bible App

Follow along in today's Scripture on the Bible app! Scan this QR code with your phone:

Monthly Budget & Offerings

Budget Needs:

$17,299.09

November Offering To Date:

$8,745.00

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