



DECEMBER 18, 2025

Offering a seat at God's table for an adventurous life with Christ.



**SERMON TOPIC FOR DECEMBER 21:
1 JOHN**

SCRIPTURE READING:

1 John 4:7-12
John 3:16
Matthew 1:21-23



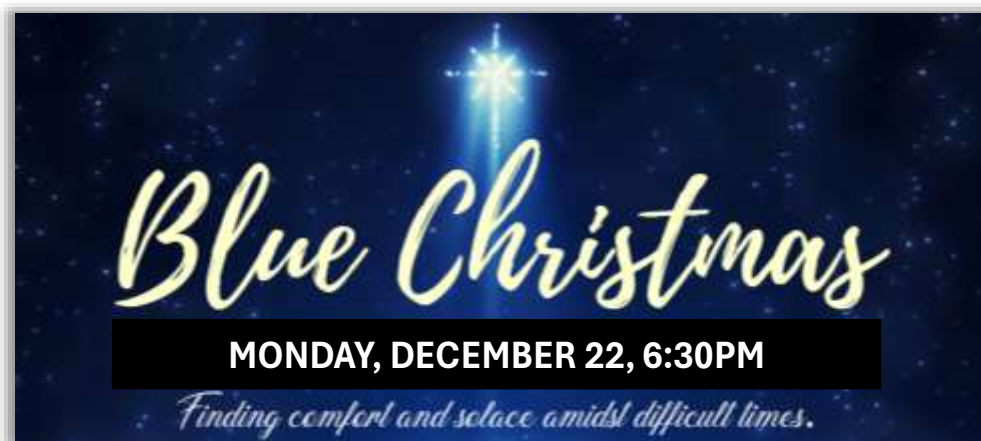
MEMORIAL SERVICE

Celebrating the Life of Bill Tuten

**Sunday, January 4
12 noon
In the Sanctuary**

**OUR BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED TO
MONDAY, DECEMBER 22**

**6:30p
In the Sanctuary**



**Invite others who need to hear this message as we find comfort
and solace in the birth of Jesus Christ!**

**THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FROM WEDNESDAY,
DECEMBER 24, THROUGH SUNDAY, JANUARY 4,
FOR THE HOLIDAYS.**

**THERE WILL NOT BE A LANTERN EDITION
ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25.
HAVE A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS.**

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Wednesday, December 24

4:30p

In the Sanctuary

**Please join us for a special
Christmas Eve Service.**



LEAD PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE MINISTRY PRIORITIES SURVEY

First Baptist Church of Scottsdale,

As we take our next steps, we want to hear your thoughts on our Future Church Priorities. This is what you believe we as a church should focus our resources and priorities upon as we move forward. This will be very useful to the search committee as we seek a new Lead Pastor, and will help inform our interview questions and deliberations.

Please consider taking just a few minutes to click on this link and complete the [Ministry Priorities Survey](#)

Thank you, on behalf of the Lead Pastor Search Committee.

PICK UP A CARD IN THE LOBBY!
INVITE FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND NEIGHBORS.
LET'S SHARE THE JOY AND STORY OF CHRISTMAS.



DECEMBER 14 ATTENDANCE: 134

Giving of our tithes and offerings to God is part of worship and discipleship.

To do this in faith, and to support God's ministry at First Baptist,
you may use any of the following ways:

- In person using a Giving Envelope in the back of the pews
- Through the Church Center app
- Use QR code on screen or on back of Giving Envelopes
- Online at: <https://fbcs.churchcenter.com/giving>
- You may also mail checks to:
First Baptist Church of Scottsdale
7025 E Osborn Rd
Scottsdale, AZ 85251

Blessings!

Tithes and Offerings received thus far in December: \$37,258 — 46% of Budget
Budgeted for December: \$80,400

Budgeted April through December: \$493,500
Received Year-to-Date: \$387,816 — 79% of Budget

**THREE NEW GROW GROUPS
BEGIN JANUARY 25, 2026!
WATCH FOR DETAILS TO COME!**



**SATURDAY NIGHT BOARD GAMES
ARE COMING BACK!**

Saturday, January 10
5:30p – 7:30p
In Winfield's

Board Game Night will be held
on the second Saturday of each month
beginning January 10.

Come have fun with family and friends, old and new.

**GET READY!
THE ROCK'n'ROLL MARATHON
RETURNS ON JANUARY 18!**

And you know what that means — the church will be landlocked on Sunday, January 18.

**If you can get there on that Sunday, DON'T!
You will be alone.**

**Our worship service will be
Saturday, January 17
5p
In the Sanctuary**

**There will be a potato bar/chili dinner
immediately following the service.**

**Look for the sign-up sheets in the lobby on
Sunday and sign up for a side dish to bring.**

**Join Us in
Arizona**
Rock'n'Roll Arizona

Honor our nation's fallen service members at the Rock'n'Roll Arizona. Run in blue, request a tribute poster, or volunteer on the wear blue mile, which links the course with Faces of the Fallen posters followed by volunteers like YOU holding American flags bearing their names.

Volunteer on the wear blue mile
JANUARY 18TH, 2026
Approx. 05:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Volunteer Details

All ages and abilities welcome. Complimentary wear blue shirts, snacks, and beverages provided.

Hold an American flag in honor of a fallen service member as thousands of runners pass through. Visit www.wearblueruntoremember.org/wear-blue-mile to learn more.

Registered volunteers will receive details (exact location, arrival time, parking, etc) closer to race day.

Submit Faces of the Fallen Tribute Poster request by 12 December 2025

Register at www.wearblueruntoremember.org/rocknroll-arizona

The 2026 Rock'n'Roll Arizona wear blue mile is proudly sponsored by

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wear blue: run to remember

**FIRST BAPTIST SCOTTSDALE
SIX-MONTH NEW TESTAMENT READING PLAN**

Revelation

Revelation portrays a series of visions given to John that reveal God's ultimate victory over evil. It describes the spiritual battle between good and evil, the judgment of the wicked, the return of Christ, and the final renewal of creation. Despite dramatic imagery and tribulation, the book's central message is one of hope: God will triumph, evil will end, and God will dwell with His people in a new heaven and new earth.

December 18	Revelation 13
December 19	Revelation 14
December 20	Revelation 15
December 21	Revelation 16
December 22	Revelation 17
December 23	Revelation 18
December 24	Revelation 19
December 25	Revelation 20
December 26	Revelation 21
December 27	Revelation 22

“A CHARLIE BROWN CHRISTMAS” RECAP



The Christmas play was a HUGE success! Over the two days, more than 170 people saw the show. The laughter and applause in the room showed the enjoyment of watching one of America's best holiday classics. The reading was so outstanding, as even the voices echoed our memory of being close to the "real" show.

James Olsen, our Elder of Arts, did a phenomenal job narrating the show. His opening line of the teacher began the reminder of what we were getting ready to experience. Peter Townsend and Katia Hertneck-Kitz really showed their talents for casting and working on preparation with the children in very few rehearsals. Jan Tannenbaum, Marge Couch, and Delilah just "happened" to have the right wardrobe in our incredible wardrobe room.

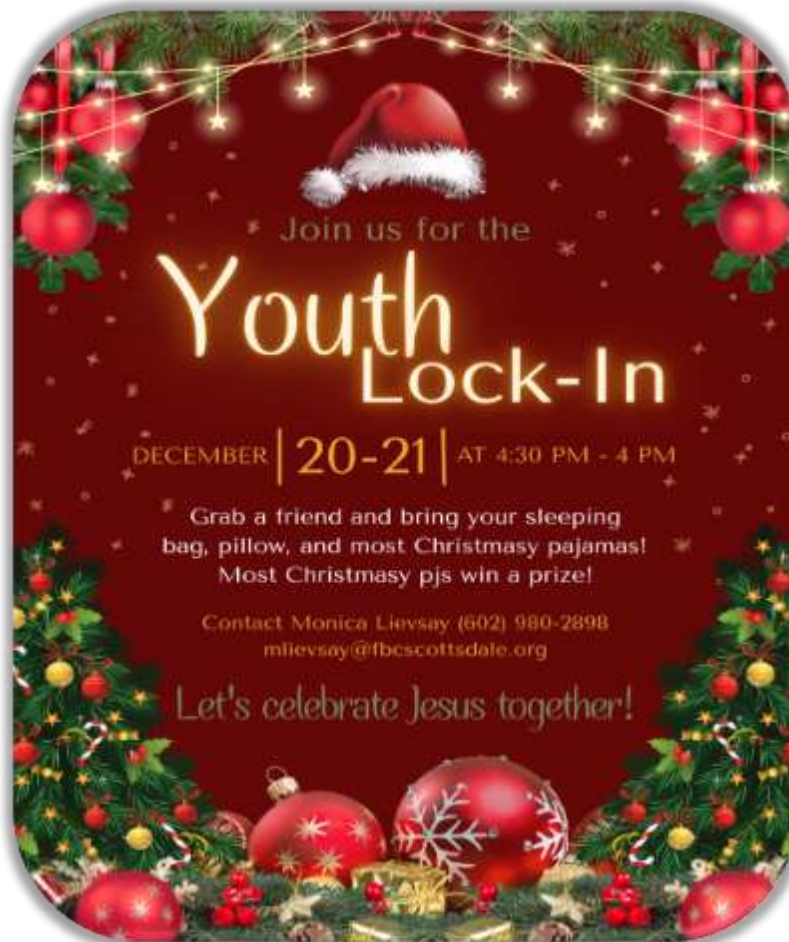
The snacks and welcome greeters topped off the show. Thank you, Carole, Elaine, and Nancy! Our guests knew how welcome they were as they entered. We are thankful for all the support of our Elders and volunteers here at FBCScottsdale.

**Stay tuned for what is next in MasterPeace coming up this July 2026.
It will, once again, show the talent, heart, and fun our children experience
learning about performance and music here at FBCScottsdale.**





UPCOMING EVENTS





POWWOW IN DECEMBER

Saturday, December 27
8a – 11a

Boxes during the month of December are available by RSVP only.
Cash donation boxes will NOT be available.

Event locations will only serve people with either a box reservation or a DoorDash delivery request. We are only asking for a \$15 donation for box reservations during the month of December.

While we normally do not open up the option to reserve a box until the Monday prior to an event hosting, we have opened up all of our reservation links for our December 2025 events. Get a head start on the holiday season by reserving your December produce box right now.

[Click Here to RSVP a Produce Box in December](#)

MEN'S MINISTRY POKER NIGHT

Friday, January 16
7p
In Winfield's

All men are welcome to join us!
The buy-in is \$10

We're building friendships and nurturing faith
as we play cards.

Regardless of whether you are an avid poker player
or someone who just enjoys casually playing cards,
this is a night of fellowship and fun.



SUNDAYS AT FIRST BAPTIST

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

In the Children's Building — 9:00a-10:15a, and 10:15a-11:45a

YOUTH MINISTRY

In the Youth Rooms — Open from 10a to 6p
10:30a – Jr. High Bible Study
4:30p–6p – Youth Worship Service

ADULT GROW GROUP CLASSES

NEW CLASSES COMING JANUARY 25, 2026

WORSHIP SERVICE

10:30a-11:30a in the Sanctuary

WEEKLY AT FIRST BAPTIST

MONDAYS

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

7pm — Winfield's or Tempe Panera

TUESDAYS

MOMCO

First & Third Tuesday of each month

9a-11a — In Winfield's

WEDNESDAYS

WOMEN'S YOGA

5p-6p — In the Dance Room

TAI CHI

7p-8p — In the Dance Room

CHILDREN'S WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES

CHILDREN'S FAMILY MEAL

6p-6:20p — In Winfield's

MOMCo

6:30p-8p — In Winfield's

CHILDREN'S CHOIR (K-5th grade)

6:20p-7p — In the Choir Room

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES CLASS (Pre-K-5th grade)

7p-8p — In the Children's Rooms

THURSDAYS

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Every other Thursday (January 15 & 29)

6:45a-7:45a — In Winfield's

WOMEN WHO PRAY

9:30a-11:30a — In the Gallery

GriefShare

Noon-2p — In the Gallery

ALPHA

6:30p-7:30p — In Winfield's

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