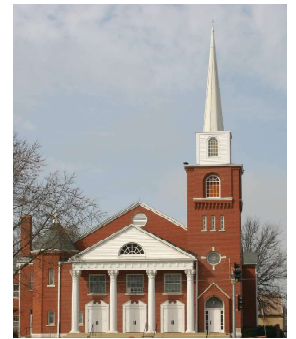


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The Community Thanksgiving Worship Service will be Monday, November 20, at 7:00 pm. It will be at First Baptist Church with Michelle Whitlock, Minister at the United

Methodist Church preaching. First Baptist Church is located at 301 E. Highland Street in Nevada. This worship service is presented by the Vernon County Ministerial Alliance. A free will offering supporting the VCMA Emergency Fund will be taken.

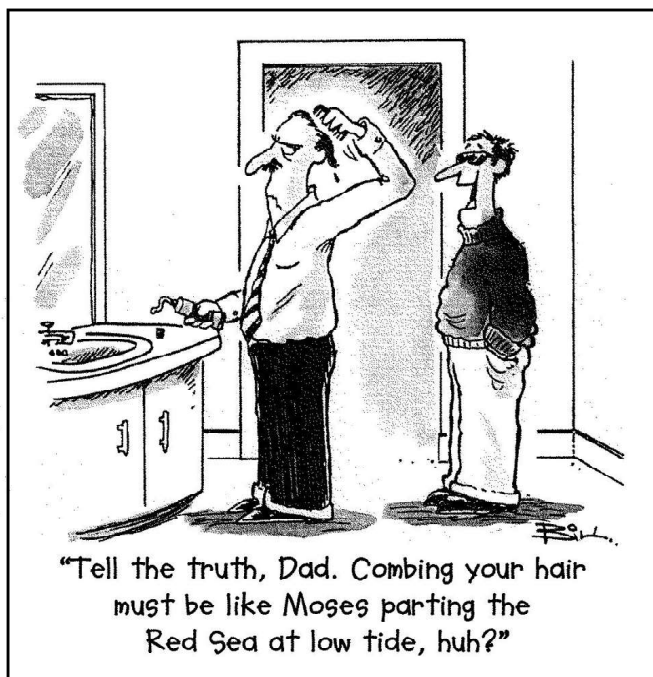


The Operation Christmas Child Wrapping Party was a great success! Coordinator Charlotte Buerge reports that 111 boxes were sent on their way to be delivered all over the world. She wants to thank everyone

who participated and donated to such a worthy cause. We are all blessed by giving of ourselves and our resources.



2023 Radio Broadcast Sponsorship - You can now sign up to sponsor a weekly worship service broadcast. A sign-up sheet is available in the parlor for you to choose a date that is important to you. You may also call the office at 667-3540 and we'll help you. The cost is \$55.00 per broadcast.



The Elders are hosting a potluck lunch to honor Pastor Jeff Robinson and his wife, Tina. It is **THIS** Sunday, November 19 at Noon in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Jeff has resigned and is leaving for a position with International Disaster Emergency Services (IDES). His last Sunday to preach was November 12. The church is providing the meat. Everyone is invited to attend and bring a dish to share.

Ways to Give: Online at www.fccnevada.org/give; from your phone at www.fccnevada.org/give; or by check by mail or in the offering bucket.



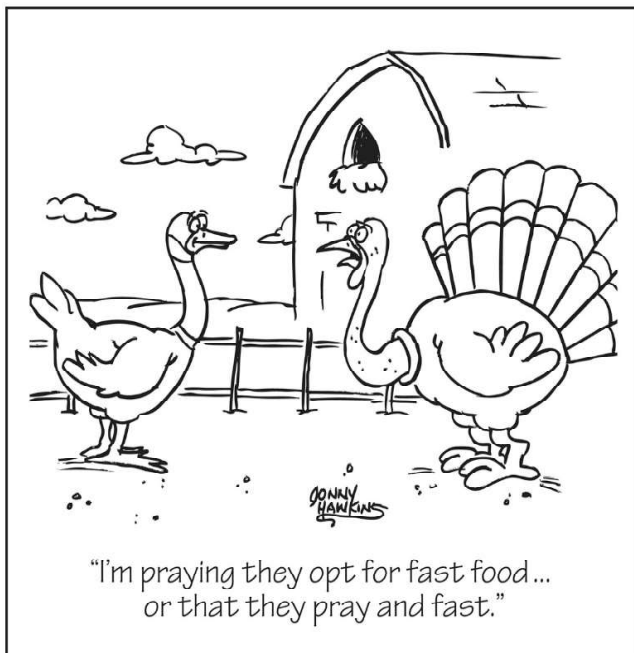


First Christian Church will hold a congregational meeting on Sunday, December 3rd, for the purpose of approving the Proposed Budget for 2024. The meeting will begin immediately following the worship service. A 2/3 majority of members, present and voting, is required for approval. Complete copies of the proposed budget are on the bulletin boards for your review. They are also available by visiting the church office or calling the office at 667-3540.

	2023 Budget	2024 Proposed Budget
Mission Accountable		
Income	285,450	296,554
Designated Income	58,157	46,103
Total Estimated Income	343,607	342,657
Less: Missions	28,545	29,655
Income		
Net of Missions	315,062	313,002

Expenditures

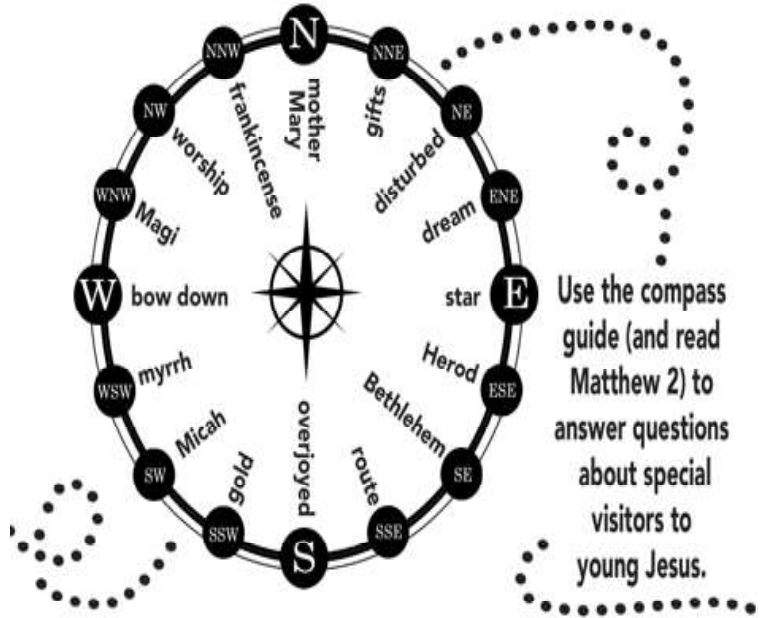
Worship	5,150	5,600
Youth	3,500	4,000
Christian Education	3,300	3,700
Membership	5,395	5,395
Evangelism	4,085	3,685
Building & Property	94,237	89,237
Administrative	12,525	13,050
Personnel	186,870	188,335
Total Expenses	315,062	313,002



If you need a ride to Sunday School or Church in our vans, please let us know by calling the church office at 667-3540 **BEFORE NOON on FRIDAY.**



Puzzle!



Use the compass guide (and read Matthew 2) to answer questions about special visitors to young Jesus.

- Who was king at the time of Jesus' birth? _____ (ESE)
- Who came from the East to worship the one born king of the Jews? _____ (WNW)
- How did King Herod feel about Jesus' birth? _____ (NE)
- Which prophet did the chief priests and teachers of the law quote when King Herod asked where the Christ would be born? _____ (SW)
- In what city would Christ be born? _____ (SE)
- King Herod lied to the wise men, telling them to search and report back so he, too, could do what to Christ? _____ (NW)
- What did the Magi see in the east and follow to find Jesus? _____ (E)
- When the star stopped, how did the Magi feel? _____ (S)
- Who else did the Magi see with Jesus? His _____ (N)
- Before they worshiped the child, what did the Magi do? _____ (W)
- Name the three treasures the Magi brought for Jesus. _____ (SSW) _____ (NNW) _____ (WSW)
- These three treasures were all brought for Jesus as _____ (NNE)
- What warned the Magi not to return to Herod? A _____ (ENE)
- The Magi had to return to their country by another _____ (SSE)

Answers: 1. Herod; 2. Magi; 3. disturbed; 4. Micah; 5. Bethlehem; 6. worship; 7. star; 8. overjoyed; 9. mother Mary; 10. bow down; 11. gold; frankincense; myrrh; 12. gifts; 13. dream; 14. route

Community Outreach Food Pantry is collecting non-perishable food and dry goods. A box is in the parlor for your donation.

Suggested December products: Canned tuna/chicken, canned veggies, jelly, oatmeal, jello, soup, peanut butter, toilet paper.



