

**Monday | 12.30.24 | 3 PM**

No After-School Program (Holiday Break)

**\*Prayer Group @ the Jensen's—**

*The Jensen's Prayer Group is on a holiday break and will resume on 01.07.24\**

**Wednesday | 01.01.25**

No scheduled activities. Happy New Year!

**Thursday | 01.02.25 | 2 PM**

YG Video Game Party 2-8 PM

Dinner will be provided; all teens are welcome! Qs? See Matt Morales

**After-School Program | 01.07.25 | 3 PM**

After-School program resumes. Interested in helping with this ministry? See Kevin Devine.

**Leadership Council Meeting | 01.07.25 | 6:30 PM**

Contact Pastor Brandon or the Deacons with any questions.

**Wednesday | 01.08.25**

Awana — 5:45 PM Regular Fun Night

**Prayer Groups—6:30 PM**

- 1-) Ladies prayer group on ZOOM. Contact Robin Cox or Verna Mullen
- 2-) Prayer meeting at church. Stop by to pray together. See Mark Eckler.
- 3-) Bath small group—A group that gathers for encouragement from God's word and to pray together at the Kepich home. See Dan or Maria Kepich.

**Encouragers | 01.16.25 | 11:30 AM**

Encouragers Meeting. Qs? See Joan Bower

**Sewing for Others | 01.18.25 | 8:30 AM**

Sewing for Others, gathering in Coover Room.  
Qs? See Donna Patterson

**Homesteaders Co-Op | 01.31.25 | 9 AM**

Qs? See Tara Devine.

**Sportsman Game Dinner | 02.01.25**

The game dinner is approaching fast. Invite your neighbors! Qs?  
See Aaron Mullen.

**OCC Update**

Our shoeboxes are headed to Ghana! A small country located in West Africa, it is known for its lush forests, diverse wildlife and sandy beaches. Once part of the "Gold Coast," it became independent of British rule in 1957. Shoeboxes have been delivered there since 1996. Please pray for the Ghanaian children (and all shoebox recipients) to receive Christ. (Don't forget the after-Christmas clearance sales!)

**Help Needed | Youth Group Snacks**

We have a group of hungry teens that meet most Sunday evenings for fellowship and Bible study. Would you be willing to bring a snack for them over the next year (Jan '25-Dec '25)? You can sign up for one Sunday or to be put in the rotation (depending on how many people sign up it's usually about 4x a year) We have an average of 25-30 people eating at YG! Thank you for considering helping this ministry! Please see Tara Devine with questions or to sign up!

**Help Needed | Children's Ministry**

Help Needed—The children's ministry needs help during the services. If you are willing to help, please let Tara Devine know ASAP. Thank you!

Known needs (**updated**): 1st Sunday SS Nursery Helper, 2nd Sunday 9 am service Nursery helper, 5th Sunday 9 am service Jr Church Helper

**YG Superbowl | 02.09.25 | 6:15 PM**

Come cheer for your team, eat yummy food, critique the commercials or just join us for a fun evening together! Bring a friend! Sign up to come and to bring a dish to share. Pizza provided! See Tara Devine with questions.

**Ladies Retreat | 03.07-09.25**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS & START SAVING!  
At the Linck Hill Inn in Morris, PA. More information to follow. Qs?  
contact Jen Mullen (607.661.5205)

**Help Needed | 2<sup>nd</sup> Service Media**

If you are interested in learning and would like training to run sound and media for 2<sup>nd</sup> service worship, please see Matt Morales. Help is needed by mid-January. (Matt is willing to teach whoever is willing to learn!)

**FBA Homeschool Co-Op**

does your family homeschool? Sign up starting 12/30 to join us for a morning of education, fun and fellowship! This semester we are offering Art, Animal Habitats, Sensory, PE, Writing, Pottery & Elective (each class is grade dependent). PreK-12th grade.

Meeting: 1/31, 2/21, 3/14, 3/28 & 4/11 from 9:15a-11:30a. \$10/student (\$30/family max) for the entire semester. More info online (church webpage/Facebook)

**End of Year Giving**

We do appreciate that so many of you give faithfully to support the ministry of the church! God's money that you give helps to support our missionaries around the world & our local staff, to provide Sunday School and Jr. Church curriculum to strengthen the faith of our children, to keep the lights & heat on for worship services & Youth Group, to pay for the insurance for the building, & to make available gospels of John for people to hand out.

As you consider your year-end giving; thank you for thinking of investing it here. It would be most helpful if you could have it in by Sunday, Dec. 31, but a postmarked contribution by Monday, Dec. 30, will work. You may also use our electronic giving options although fees are subtracted to cover processing Online.

The easiest link is found on our resources & giving page on [www.FirstBaptistAvoca.org](http://www.FirstBaptistAvoca.org).

There is a link also to the Tithely.app.


**First Baptist Church of Avoca  
December 29<sup>th</sup> 2024**

**Sunday Services (Kevin Devine) — 9 & 11:10 AM**

**Sunday School— 10:15 AM**

**Evening Service | Youth Group — 6 PM**

Thank you for joining us at church today. If you have any questions about our services or events, please don't hesitate to contact us by phone (607-566-2077) or email ([firstbaptistavoca@firstbaptistavoca.org](mailto:firstbaptistavoca@firstbaptistavoca.org)).

**Pastor — Brandon McAfee**

**Interim Director of Youth Ministries — Kevin Devine**

**Song List (9 AM)**

Joy to the World — The First Noel — Light of the Stable — Go Tell it on the Mountain — O Little Town of Bethlehem

**Song List (11:15 AM)**

Worthy, You are Worthy — O Little Town of Bethlehem —  
While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks — Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne —  
One Day

**Adult Sunday School Classes**

Living Together as a Church – Aaron Mullen – Fellowship Hall

**Junior Church**

Jr. & Jr. Jr. Church (2's &3's) is available at the 9 AM service only

**Attendance Numbers for Last Week**