

Lighting the Christ Candle Pam Hester, narrator
The Treadway Family:
Major, Karen, Edward, Andrew and Moses

Musical Offering

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel arr. Thomas Milligan
Kaylin Hartsock, trombone; Angie France, piano

***Hymn of Adoration 103 (verses 1, 3, 4)**

O Come, All Ye Faithful ADESTE FIDELIS
Julia Bass, director

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!
Come, and behold Him, born the King of angels!

Refrain:

O come, let us adore Him;
O come, let us adore Him;
O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord!

Sing, choirs of angels; sing in exultation;
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest! [Refrain]

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning;
Jesus, to Thee be all glory given!
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing! [Refrain]

The Christmas Story with Children

Kieran Braun and Bethany Davenport

Musical Offering

Away in a Manger Murray
Catherine Davenport, violin; Angie France, piano

A Christmas Prayer

Major Treadway

Hymn of Christmas 107

O Little Town of Bethlehem

ST. LOUIS

O little town of Bethlehem,
how still we see Thee lie!
Above Thy deep and dreamless sleep
the silent stars go by.
Yet in Thy dark streets shineth
the everlasting light;
the hopes and fears of all the years
are met in Thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary;
and, gathered all above,
while mortals sleep, the angels keep
their watch of wondering love.
O morning stars, together
proclaim the holy birth,
and praises sing to God the King,
and peace to all on earth!

How silently, how silently,
the wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts
the blessings of His heaven.
No ear may hear His coming,
but in this world of sin,
where meek souls will receive Him still,
the dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem,
descend to us, we pray;
cast out our sin and enter in;
be born in us today.

We hear the Christmas angels,
the great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
our Lord Emmanuel!

Placement of Baby Jesus

Noah Dunn and Rose Long

Candlelighting

The ministers will first light their candles from the Christ Candle in the Advent Wreath and then will pass the light to the end person on each pew.

As you pass the light say:

The light of Christ be with you.

And each in response:

And also with you.

Musical Offering

A Celtic Silent Night Mohr/Gruber

Worship Quartet

Silent night! Holy night!
All is calm, all is bright
'round yon virgin mother and Child!
holy infant, so tender and mild.
Sleep in heavenly peace
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night! Holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight,
glories stream from heaven afar,
heavenly hosts sing alleluia;
Christ, the Savior, is born!
Christ, the Savior, is born!

Silent night! Holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light.
Radiant beams from Thy Holy face,
with the dawn of redeeming grace.
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.
Sleep in heavenly peace.

The Triumph of Light

John 1:4-5

Major Treadway

In the Word was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overtake it.

Postlude

Go, Tell It On the Mountain arr. Purifoy

*If you can do so, please stand for this portion of the worship service.

The Coming Week at FBC

Thursday, December 25 - Church Office Closed

Friday, December 26 - Church Office Closed

Sunday, December 28

9:30am Bible Study Classes for Adults/Various Rooms
 10:00am Worship Ensemble Rehearsal / Sanctuary
 10:45am Worship Service/Sanctuary or Facebook and Youtube
 10:45am Children's Bible Study/Birth-K/ Room 119, 1st-5th grade/Room 218
 5:00pm Youth Gathering/Room 214

Monday, December 29

6:00pm Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall
 7:00pm Boy Scouts/Fellowship Hall
 7:30pm Upper Room Ladies Bible Study/Zoom

Tuesday, December 30

1:00pm Staff Meeting

Wednesday, December 31

Thursday January 1 - Church Office Closed

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Friday January 2 - Church Office Closed

Readings for next Sunday, December 28, 2025:
 Isaiah 63:7-9; Psalm 148;
 Hebrews 2:10-18; John 1:1-14

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If you're a guest today and would like to let us know, please scan the QR code with your smartphone camera to access our online response card.

You can also scan the code to submit a prayer request or let us know that you are interested in membership at First Baptist. Response cards and offering envelopes are also available in the pew racks and can be placed in the offering plate or offering boxes.



**THE WORSHIP OF GOD
Christmas Eve**

December 24, 2025

5:00pm

Prelude

The Blessed Angels Sing

arr. Helman

Handbell players: Thomas Bass, Julia Bass,
 Catherine Davenport, Amanda Eldridge, Kaylin Hartsock,
 Steven Lloyd, Merci Rowlett, Kristi Sanford,
 Addison Snyder, Caroline Snyder, Noah Snyder;
 Angie France director

Welcome and Invocation

Chad Hartsock

Advent Wreath Lighting

Come, Lord Jesus, Come

Wesley/Rainey

Worship Quartet and Congregation

Quartet: Julia Bass, Pam Hester,

Grayson Hester, Thomas Bass

Handbells: Kaylin Hartsock and Kristi Sanford

Responsive Litany

Chad Hartsock and People

Tonight, we celebrate hope fulfilled in the birth of Christ.

Joy to the world! The Lord has come.

Tonight, we celebrate the promise of peace on earth.

Let earth receive her King.

Tonight, we celebrate the joy of knowing a Savior has come.

Let every heart prepare Him room.

Tonight, we celebrate the love of God through Jesus Christ.

Joy to the world, the Savior reigns!**