

Christmas Eve

“The Names of Jesus”

THOUGHT FOR MEDITATION

“She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” Matthew 1:21 NRSV

PRELUDE MUSIC “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” Jubilation Ringers
“Hark the Herald Angels Sing”

WORDS OF WELCOME

***CAROL** “Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come” No. 146

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE Carol Burton, Donna Emmert,
& Connie Poling

“Christ, Be Our Light” Choir & Congregation

Responsive Litany – “Hope for Those Who Are Willing”

L: Our Savior’s birth is celebrated with bold faith.

P: May our hearts be willing.

L: Like Mary, who showed humble surrender.

P: May our hearts be willing.

L: Like Joseph, who exhibited unconditional trust:

P: May our hearts be willing..

L: Like the shepherds, who displayed awestruck wonder:

P: May our hearts be willing.

L: Like the angels, who sang glorious praise:

P: May our hearts be willing.

L: For all who are willing to receive the gift of the Savior born in Bethlehem.

P: Grant that we might have the peace of Christ as we wait, the love of Christ as we act, and the grace of Christ as we speak.

Lighting of the Advent Candles

Chorus “Christ, Be Our Light” Choir & Congregation
Prayer

ANTHEM “Joy to the World” Jubilation Ringers

THE LESSONS AND CAROLS OF CHRISTMAS

Isaiah 7:14
“What Child is This?”

Isaiah 9:2-7
“Do You Hear What I Hear?” Chancel Choir

Luke 2:1-7
“Carol of Remembrance” Chancel Choir

Luke 2:8-14
“The First Noel, The Angel Did Say”

Luke 2:15-20
“O Little Town of Bethlehem”

A CHRISTMAS PRAYER

MESSAGE IN STORY “The Christmas Miracle of Jonathon Toomey”

Narrator – Jerald Hatton

Mr. Toomey – Adrienne Hatton; The Widow McDowell – Teresa Arbuckle

Thomas – Jordan Adams

***CANDLELIGHT HYMN** “Silent Night”

You will be invited to light your individual candles as we sing. Please wait for the light to reach you, then continue the light down your row by inviting your neighbor to dip their candle into the flame of your candle. Parents, please help your children. After your candle is lit, please put the plastic cup up around the flame to enclose it.

*A CHRISTMAS BLESSING

RESPONSE

POSTLUDE “Joy to the World”

We Depart to Serve

*All who are able may stand

(Please remember to turn off your cell phone.)

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*Please leave your candles on the table by the literature ledge as you leave.*

## The Christmas Offering

This year's Christmas "mission" offering has been designated to go to Pastor David and Susan Brown, in support of their coming short-term mission assignment in the Dominican Republic, and in appreciation of their interim ministry with us at First Baptist in 2019. You may use the blue pew envelopes and mark your gift "Christmas offering". Offering plates are located at the Sanctuary exits.

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A nursery is available for infants & toddlers during this evening's service on the lower level.
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### Contributing to Advent/Christmas Decorations

**Jerry, Angela, Jasmine & Tatum Adkins** in honor of Juanita Adkins; & in memory of Marvin Adkins and Susie Wyman

**Larry & Judy Alexander** in honor of Jennifer, Chris, & Jude Shifflett; Amber, Justin, Josiah, Reuben, & Ezekiel Helt; Lance & Karita Alexander

**Keith & Teresa Arbuckle** in honor of their children & grandson; & in memory of their mothers

**Jon & Jan Carlstrom** in honor of their children & grandchildren

**L. Frank Eldridge** in memory of Sarah M. Eldridge

**Tim & Wanda Huffman** in memory of James & Norma Schum & Harold & Mildred Huffman

**Cal & Terri Ketterling** in honor of their children: Eric (Sofia) & Callissa (Billy); family & friends; & in memory of their parents: Ernest Ketterling & Gilbert & Margaret Hull (Keene)

**Ron & Peggy Lane** in honor of Deborah, Chris, Emily & Molly Nelson; & in memory of Claude & Frances Lane & Miles & Lizzie Houck

**Bob & Judy Rhude** in memory of their parents

**Myrna Shane** in memory of Paul Shane

**Lyman & Corbalou Snyder** in honor of their many good friends at Columbus First Baptist; & in memory of family and friends that have passed

**Dave Stehouwer & Alberta Ruble** in memory of deceased family members

**David & Sharon Tobias** in honor of Dacia Tobias & Robert Arbuckle; & in memory of Bill Tobias & Judy Arbuckle

**Kenneth & Donna Tull** in memory of Brian & their parents

**Martha Whedon** in memory of Albert & Opal Lovelace

**Corie Wheeler** in honor of God, family, & friends; & in memory of her grandparents, aunt & uncle, & Judy Arbuckle.

### Church Staff

Rev. Dr. Daniel Cash, Senior Pastor; Rev. David Brown, Interim Minister of Music

Laura Friedrich, Administrative Assistant

Donna Tull, Organist; Carla Williams, Pianist; Dortha Anderson, Librarian

Barry Ferrill, Custodian; Melissa Hernandez, Nursery Care Supervisor

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