# The Worship of God

## December 9, 2018

## **Second Sunday of Advent**

## The Gathering

In Advent we celebrate the power of God to work changes in us, among us, through us, and around us. As we prepare the way for the one who is to come, may we be filled with great joy!

Pre-Service Music

Jane Hedrick

Prelude "Come. Redeemer of Mankind"

Dietrich Buxtehude

Choral Introit

"Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" arr. Freeman

Opening of the Bible

Jake

Lambeth

## **Call to Worship**

Sarah Thornhill

Leader: Prepare the way of the Lord!

People: Prepare for Christ's place in our lives!

Leader: We are waiting for Christ to come! People: We are waiting with hope and joy!

Leader: Worship and praise we bring! People: Evermore and evermore!

Hymn No. 145

"Of the Father's Love Begotten"

**DIVINUM MYSTERIUM** 

The Children's Time

**Christian Greetings** 

**Lighting of the Advent Wreath** 

Jon, Eryn, Grace and Wade Myers

**Hymn No. 172** 

"While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks"

WINCHESTER OLD

Isaiah 40: 1-11

Old Testament Lesson

**Morning Prayer** 

**Gospel Lesson** 

Luke 3: 1-6

Raney

Anthem "The Little Drummer Boy"

"Preparing the Way of the Lord"

Dr. Ray Howell III

Hymn No. 151

Sermon

"Go. Tell It on the Mountain"

**GO TELL IT** 

**Offertory Prayer** 

The Offertory

"Gabriel's Message"

Kim Lingerfelt

Paul Manz

Doxology

**Postlude** 

"Silent Night"

**OLD HUNDREDTH** STILLE NACHT

**Choral Benediction** 

"Arise, Sons of the Kingdom"

J.S. Bach

Today's Lay Reader is Jon Myers

Musicians for Today's Service

Beverly Khemlani, Organ

Peggy Barnhardt, Piano Senior Adult Choir Sanctuary Choir

**Budget Update** 

Received last week \$9.873.30 Year-to-date surplus as of October 31, 2018 is \$4,720.55

**Christian Sympathy** 

Heartfelt Christian sympathy is extended to Jeff Garrett and his family in the death of his father, Langdon Chevis (L.C.) Garrett, Jr. on December 2 and to Nathan Houser and his family in the death of his mother, Joyce Self Houser on December 4.

#### This Week at First Baptist

Today at 9 a.m.

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Coffee and fellowship on the Second Floor
Today at 4 p.m.

Faith Factory in FH
Today at 6 p.m.

Youth Snack Supper followed by Youth Activities
Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir in Music Suite
Saturday at 11:30 a.m.

Children rehearse for Nine Lessons in Sanctuary

#### **Food Boxes**

We will pack our annual Christmas food boxes on Wednesday. Volunteers are needed with pickup trucks at Food Lion on Talbert Blvd. at 9 a.m. Volunteers are needed in the Fellowship Hall at 10 a.m. Contact Peggy Barnhardt to volunteer. (336-238-1090)

#### **Cancer Services Christmas Party is December 20**

Our church and youth will be hosting the Christmas Party for patients of Cancer Services on Thursday, December 20. We are expecting over 100 people and we need your help!

We can use monetary donations to provide food or donations of desserts and fingerfoods (heavy Hors D'oeuvres). Please contact Joyce Howell for more information.

#### **Poinsettias**

Poinsettias are given in memory of Carroll & Betsy Wall, Bill Medford, John and Emily Minor and in honor of Julia & David Dunn, Carol Jean Stutts Wall, Beth & Bill Robinson, and Evelyn Bingham with love from The Sterling Wall Family.

December 9<sup>nd</sup> **Bed Babies-**Brenda Sprinkle, Sarah & Spencer Hall **2-4 Year Olds-**Katie Hartley/Kelly Wright

December 16<sup>th</sup> **Bed Babies-**M/M William Fulbright **2-4 Year Olds-**Sandra Blackwelder/Crystal Alexander

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