



SECOND SUNDAY  
OF  
*Advent*

*First Baptist Church*

*Whiteville, North Carolina*

*December 8, 2019*

# THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

## The Second Sunday of Advent

December 8, 2019

**Morning Worship**

**Eleven o' clock**

\* Please stand as you are able.

**Greeting**

Dr. Fred Senter

**The Advent Wreath**

Lighting the Candle of Peace

Leader: Today is the second Sunday of Advent. Today we light the candle that represents peace. Our peace is in God and his Son, Jesus Christ. John the Baptist, and all the prophets, remind us that to receive peace we must be prepared for it.

People: **We light this candle today to remind us that Christ is the Prince of Peace, the one promised from the beginning of the world. We thank God for the hope he gives us and for the peace he bestows us.**

Leader: Let us pray: O God of Peace, Emmanuel, we pray that you will send your light into our hearts this day. Help us to be ready for the day and the hour of Christ's appearing. Work in our hearts and help us prepare ourselves for the peace that he brings—the inner peace that tells us that we are united with you and the outer peace which will come when he returns to judge the world. Bless our worship that it may be pleasing unto you, and bless us that we may prove to be your faithful servants of peace. Amen.

**Prelude**

*A Festive Fanfare*

Mr. Jim Council  
Johaan Sebastian Bach

Acolyte: Mitchell Sauls

**Call to Worship**

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

Dr. Senter

**Invocation**

Dr. Senter

\* **Hymn of Praise, No. 77**

*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

HYFRYDOL

**Old Testament Reading**

Isaiah 11:1-10

Mr. Kevin Williamson

**Carol Response, No. 93**

*It Came Upon the Midnight Clear*

CAROL

**Epistle Reading**

Romans 15:4-13

Mrs. Sylvia Elkins

\* **Offertory Hymn, No. 385**

*In Christ There Is No East or West*

ST. PETER

<b>* Offertory Prayer</b>		Mr. Chis Blackmon
<b>Offertory</b>	<i>Come Holy Ghost with Light Divine</i>	Mr. Council Healey Willan
<b>* Offertory Response</b>	<i>Doxology</i>	VENI EMMANUEL
	Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavn'ly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!	
<b>Children's Sermon</b>		Mrs. Martha Senter
<b>Pastoral Prayer</b>		Dr. Senter
<b>Worship through Song</b>	<i>On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry</i>	The Chancel Choir arr. Hal Hopson
<b>The Gospel Reading</b>	John 1:1-5, 14	Dr. Senter
<b>Sermon</b>	Good News For Tough Times	Dr. Senter
<b>* Hymn of Commitment, No. 121</b>	<i>Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne</i>	MARGARET
<b>Benediction</b>		Dr. Senter
<b>Benediction Response</b>	<i>Advent Prayer</i>	The Chancel Choir William Brown
	O holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us, we pray; Cast out our sin, and enter in, Be born in us today.	
<b>* Postlude</b>	<i>A Canticle of Joy</i>	Mr. Council Johaann Sebastian Bach

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## **OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK**

### **Sunday, December 8**

- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir Warm-up
- 11:00 a.m. **Morning Worship** (live broadcast on WTXV 1540)  
Children's Worship
- 3:30 p.m. Trio Handbell Rehearsal
- 4:30 p.m. Youth and Adult Handbell Choir
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Progressive Dinner

### **Monday, December 9**

- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

### **Wednesday, December 11**

- 5:45 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper
- 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Bible Study, Godly Play Children's Program
- 6:45 p.m. Youth and Adult Handbells DRESS REHEARSAL
- 7:00 p.m. String Ensemble DRESS REHEARSAL
- 7:15 p.m. Chancel and Youth Choirs and instrumentalists DRESS REHEARSAL

### **Saturday, December 14**

- 4:45 p.m. Youth Caroling

### **Sunday, December 15**

- 11:00 a.m. "Come Ye Faithful" presented by The Chancel Choir

### **Sunday & Monday, December 22 & 23**

- 6:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. Live Nativity

### **Tuesday, December 24**

- 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service

### **Deacons of the Week**

Chris Blackmon / Barbara Whitson

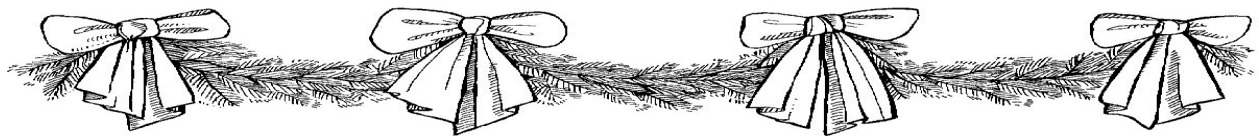
# *Advent and Christmas 2019*

## ***Come Ye Faithful***

**Presented by: The Chancel and Youth Choirs**  
Sunday, December 15th at 11:00 a.m.

## **Christmas Eve Service**

Tuesday, December 24th at 5:00 p.m.





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