

December 22, 2024



**WE WORSHIP OUR GOD**

Opening "The First Nowell"

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

4th Advent Candle The Tawney Family

Baby Dedication Raegan Jane Taylor

Prayer Concerns/Prayer

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

\*Doxology

Choir Special "Now All Is Well"

Praise & Worship "O Come All Ye Faithful"

Scripture John 3:16

Sermon Dr. Toby Wagoner

**"Christmas Demonstrates God's Love"**

\*Worship Song "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

\*Benediction

The final hymn is an invitation to those who wish to follow Christ as Savior and Lord, to renew their faith, or to unite with the membership of this church.



**This Week at FBC**

- Sunday** 9:30 Sunday School
- 10:15 Bell Practice
- 10:45 Morning worship
- 6:00 MMY Ugly Sweater Party
- 6:00 Cantata Choir Practice
- Tuesday** 7:00 Christmas Eve Cantata/Candlelight
- Wednesday** Merry Christmas!
- Saturday** 11:30 CommUnity Kitchen –Glow Movement

**Upcoming Events**

Dec 22- Bell Performance; Youth Ugly Sweater Party; Dec 24- Canata & Christmas Eve Service; Office Closed; Dec 25- Merry Christmas! Office Closed; Dec 31- Silent Prayer; Jan 1- Happy New Year! Office closed



Are you looking for a ministry? The Meals Ministry is looking for volunteers. You would be part of a team that prepares a meal for a member of our church family following hospitalization on a rotational basis with other meals teams. Spreading love with a good meal! Contact Kathy Hudson if interested. Text or call 304-373-8938.



The next Men's Fellowship will meet Tuesday, January 9. All men are invited to attend.

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- Nursery Worker today – Amy Williams
- Children's Church – Ethan Tawney
- Nursery Next Week – Scarlett Mullins
- Children's Church Next Week – Sandy Confer

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This week's bell ringer is Beckham Ritchie

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**Announcement**

The Moving Mountains Youth will have their Christmas Ugly Sweater Party with a game challenge to for all adults TONIGHT at 6:00. WHO WILL WIN?!? Come and see!

If you are a member of FBC and would consider teaching a Sunday School Class, please contact Terry Morgan Bird.



For unto us a Child is born; unto us a Son is given; and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, the Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace!

**Welcome**

Merry Christmas to All! We are glad to have you with us today!

Our 4<sup>th</sup> Candle of Advent is the Candle of Light. It will be lit by Ethan and Zöe Tawney.

We are blessed to be witness to the dedication of Raegan Jane Taylor, daughter of Bethany and James Taylor.

Our Bell choir will be performing this morning under the direction of Ann Johnson.

The new 2025 Flower Calendar & CommUnity Kitchen Volunteer Calendar are posted on the side office door. Please sign up today! For any questions, please contact Susan.

CommUnity Kitchen is a way to reach out to those who may be in need in our community. Please consider this ministry. You can sign up alone, family or group. For any questions, contact Susan.

The deadline for luminaria orders is TODAY.

In order to have the finances completed by the end of the year, **please submit your receipts ASAP**. All payments for the memorials should be in by December 22.

Church officers can pick up their 2025 calendars in the office.

Everyone is invited to come out Tuesday evening to witness our holy Christmas Eve service. The event starts at 7:00. Our choir will be performing *One Noel* under the direction of Abbi Woods. Following the cantata, we will share the Light of Christ.

We will not have Bible Study on Wednesday. Enjoy your Christmas!

Congratulations to Mary Ritchie for graduation from WVU. Mary received a BS in forensic & Investigative Sciences, Magna Cum Laude. Congratulations also to Josh Ritchie for receiving his Masters Degree from WVU.

### Young Adults Group

This group (ages ~18~35) meets each Sunday upstairs in the Anchor Room for Bible Study & Fellowship. Come & check it out.

All Young Adults are invited to Tudor's next Sunday, December 22 at 9:00 for a Christmas Celebration Breakfast. The group will participate in the MMY church activity at 6:00 that evening.

### Youth News

MMY invites all adults to our Ugly Sweater Party tonight at 6:00. Come and compete against the students in games. Food & Drink provided.

God's Cadets will take a break and return on January 12, 2025. May you have a happy Christmas and blessed New Year.

**WELCOME** to our service of worship on this Lord's Day! If you are looking for a church home, we would have you consider First Baptist.



**FAITH** is always personal, yet not private, and is expressed freely and openly within the community of faith.



### December Memory Verse:

*"The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: Those who dwelt in the land of the shadow of death, upon them a light has shined."* Isaiah 9:2

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*The beautiful flowers at the altar today are given Jim Speer in memory of parents Nola & Jim Speer and sister Frankie Bolt.*

*Another arrangement of beautiful flowers is from Talia Martinez in honor of Jo Hendricks birthday.*

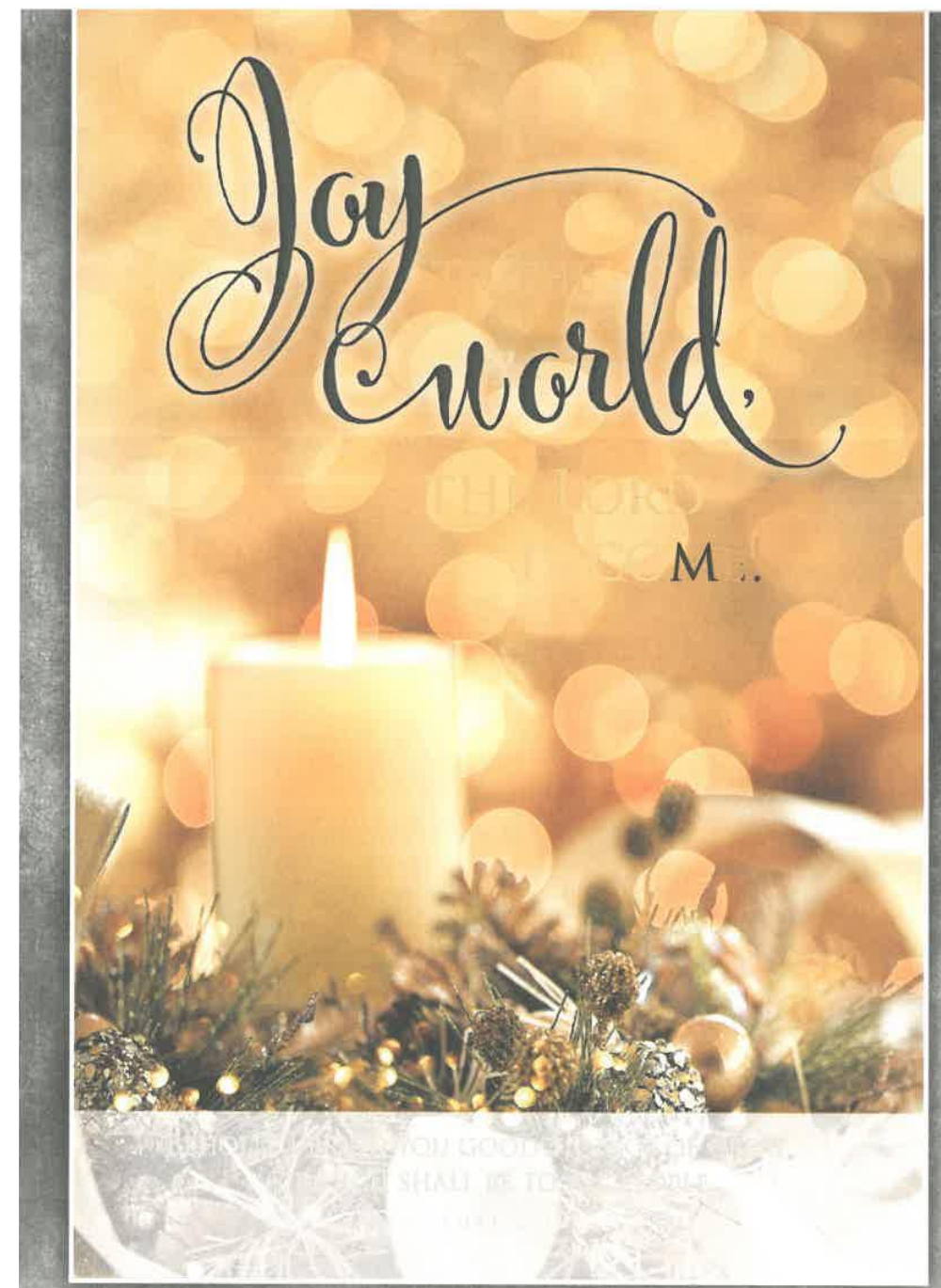
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You are important! Sign in Please! The Attendance Pads are in each pew. Sign in and pass it on. **YOU COUNT!** Thank you.

### Watch from Home

Our services are streamed live on Sunday on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/FirstBaptistChurchRavenswoodWV](http://www.facebook.com/FirstBaptistChurchRavenswoodWV).

If you have mobility problems and are interested in using valet parking, please contact Jon Moore. (Call church 304-273-9910).



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