

AN INVITATION

First Baptist Church extends to all an invitation to membership. If you are looking for a community of faith where you can seek God, follow Jesus, and serve the needs of the world, we would gladly welcome you in this place. If you would like to commit your life to the way of Jesus and live as the beloved, forgiven child of God you are, and be baptized, we invite you to come forward during the Hymn of Response and share that decision with the pastor. You may also unite with our church by moving your membership from another community of faith. If you have any questions about FBC or what it means to follow Christ, the pastor would be glad to speak with you at any time.
Welcome to First Baptist Jasper!

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

December 24th, 2019

MINISTRY LEADERSHIP TEAM

Christie Beiring, Office Administrator
Lana Callahan, Preschool Head Director
Samantha Dunn, Preschool Assistant Director
Joy Huddleston, Organist
Melanie McCurdy, Pianist
Ruth Mehari, 9:00 Worship Leader
Bill Stone, Church Administrator
David Stuart, Minister of Music Emeritus
Rev. Anna Walker, Associate Pastor to Families

Merry Christmas!



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The Worship of God

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE (beginning at 5:30)

WELCOME

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE Christian & Kiptyn Rasco

We have come to Christmas. The Season of advent and preparation is past.

We have lit the first candle and been reminded that God is a God of promise; many wonderful promises have been made to His children and He plans to keep every one of them.

We have lit the second candle and been reminded that God gets specific with us, that He is willing to come to us where we are, even in the seemingly forgotten places of life.

We have lit the third candle and been reminded that God comes to busy people, even like the shepherds working at night. Though we are often too busy, this candle reminds us that God calls each one of us to be used by Him.

We have lit the fourth candle and been reminded that the message of Christmas is Good News, a message that all the world needs to hear.

Now we come to Christmas, the message of the prophets and the angels is realized: "...For unto you is born this day, a savior...Christ the Lord."

Now we come to light the final Advent Candle, the Christ Candle. This central candle reminds us that the center of the church, the center of Christmas, the center of our faith, and the center of our lives is the Lord Jesus Christ. He is God's great gift to us. He is the Light of the World.

SCRIPTURE READING

John 1:1-5

Cassie Rasco

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

INVOCATION

Chance & Kyle Rasco

HYMN No. 127

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Rev. Anna Walker

SPECIAL MUSIC

Coventry Carol

Amanda Saltino

HYMN No. 125

Angels We Have Heard on High

SPECIAL MUSIC

Gesu Bambino

Amanda Saltino

HYMN No. 110

Away in a Manger

SPECIAL MUSIC

Mary, Did You Know

David Stuart

CHRISTMAS BLESSING

Rev. Anna Walker

COMMUNION PRAYER

THE SHARING OF BREAD AND CUP

THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

(Do not dip lighted candles. Dip only the unlit candles when lighting your candle from your neighbor.)

CANDLE LIGHT HYMN No. 134

Silent Night, Holy Night

Stanza 1: With Organ, Piano, and Guitar

Stanza 2: With Piano and Guitar

Stanza 3: With Guitar (Rick Goble & Kiptyn Rasco)

Stanza 4: Acapella

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

