

CHURCH WIDE CHRISTMAS CAROLING

Be sure to join in on December 2, at 6:00 p.m. for church wide Christmas caroling. We will meet under the breezeway to go out as families. There will be 4 groups as we spread joy to many that are homebound at this time. Families in town are invited to ride their golf carts as we form a parade to those in the town area. There will be two other groups going to places a little farther out. There will be a special treat for our carolers to take with them as we can not provide our usual cookies and hot chocolate afterwards.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

Children ages 4 and up will be singing in the morning worship service. Please meet in the sanctuary at 8:45 a.m. to practice before Sunday School.

6:00 – 6:45 p.m.

Our church family is invited to drop in during this time as we enjoy a meaningful Christmas experience together preparing our hearts for the Christmas Season. We will explore some of our favorite traditions in small group settings and hear some beautiful Christmas music. This is for all ages!

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9

You will not want to miss this special night as the birth of Christ is played out in a Live Nativity at the Gilreath Farm. There will be real shepherds, angels, animals and wisemen acting out the Christmas Story straight from the pages of the Bible. All ages will enjoy a ride through the nativity in a small group hayride experience! Dress warm!!



FINANCIAL NEWS

Sunday Receipts (11-15-20)	\$ 13,554.48
Year to Date Requirements	\$ 661,353.50
Year to Date Receipts	\$ 668,651.82
Sunday Receipts (11-22-20)	\$ 9,773.25
Year to Date Requirements	\$ 675,730.75
Year to Date Receipts	\$ 678,425.07

SALVATION ARMY – TOYS FOR TOTS

The Angel Tree is in the Welcome Center. Each angel represents a child in our area that needs help for Christmas. We ask that you...

1. Pick an angel from the tree and sign your name and phone number beside the corresponding # on the list located on the podium beside the tree.
2. Bring the gifts to the church by December 9.
3. Put the # for your angel on as many gifts as you can. Place all gifts in a bag with the number tied to the bag.
4. Please don't wrap the gifts, but feel free to include gift wrap and such in the bag.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>Sunday Nov 29</u>	First Sunday of Advent
<u>Wednesday Dec 2</u>	5:30 pm - Choir for children 4 and older 6:00 pm - Church-wide Caroling
<u>Sunday Dec 6</u>	Second Sunday of Advent Children will be singing during morning worship Family Night at Christmas @ 6 pm (for all of our church family)
<u>Wednesday Dec 9</u>	Ride Through Nativity at the Gilreaths (with s'mores) last Wednesday activity of 2020
<u>Sunday Dec 13</u>	Third Sunday of Advent
<u>Sunday Dec 20</u>	Fourth Sunday of Advent
<u>Thursday Dec 24</u>	Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Sun. Safety Team	Brent Thomas, Travis Thomas Hal McDowell & Jeb Fisher
Wed. Safety Team	Mac Horton & Josh Wade
Deacon Worship Service Team	Polly Gilreath, Jeremy Sauceman Jerry Thomas & Michael Gileath
Counting Committee	Bill Pitts & Norman Phillips
Extended Session	
<u>Nursery</u>	Haley Gravina & Mitzi Scarborough
<u>2's - 5's</u>	Dodd & Jennifer Wilson

Sign Up Genius used by Extended Session:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080A4AA8A823A7FF2-fall>



THE WEEK AHEAD

<u>Sunday, November 29</u>	9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship
<u>Monday, November 30</u>	8:30 a.m. WEE School
<u>Tuesday, December 1</u>	5:30 a.m. Group Fitness 8:30 a.m. WEE School 6:00 p.m. Properties & Space Meeting
<u>Wednesday, December 2</u>	8:30 a.m. WEE School 5:30 p.m. Choir for children 4 and older 6:00 p.m. Church-wide Caroling
<u>Thursday, December 3</u>	8:30 a.m. WEE School
<u>Friday, December 4</u>	8:30 a.m. WEE School

SUNDAY SERVICE

November 29, 2020

10:00 a.m.

Pre-Service Music

Processional

Hymn of Praise

O Come Emmanuel

Lighting of the Advent Candle "HOPE" Nick & Whitney Kirby

Welcome

T. Dale Lynch

Message in Song

Invocation

Nick Kirby

Worship Medley

*Come thou Long Expected Jesus
At the Name of Jesus*

Children's Message

Harriane Lynch

Anthem

Jesus, Messiah

Sermon

Renewed Hope
Romans 8:24-26

T. Dale Lynch

Closing Song

Emmanuel

Benediction

T. Dale Lynch

Postlude

(Our worship is live-streamed at 10:00 a.m. so you can worship with us from any place and at any time.)

The links for the worship service are below:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCwPN9FRkGBzGNJFvMEFiug>

<https://www.facebook.com/BeltonFirstBaptistSC/>

<https://vimeo.com/event/112562>

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PRELUDE TO CHRISTMAS

Christmas was traditionally a Christian festival celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. At Jesus' birth many gathered to worship; shepherds, wise men and angels. It was a time of rejoicing and praise and reflection.

In the early 20th century, Christmas became a secular family holiday, celebrated by Christians and non-Christians alike. For some, their Christmas is devoid of Christian elements. For most, it is a combination of secular and Christian elements. We enjoy the giving and receiving of gifts, but also take time to rejoice and worship the Christ child; the gift that keeps on giving.

The next three weeks I want to ask the question "What is Christmas all about?" I propose to you that it is about **presents** and **family**. But most of all it is about **Christ**.



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