

# — First — BAPTIST CHURCH

M A N Y , L O U I S I A N A

## *Order of Service December 17, 2017*

Advent Candle ..... *The Bethlehem Candle of Peace* ..... Bro. Bost  
Micah 5:1-5

Children and Youth Live Nativity (*with Christmas Story narration*)

*Mary Did You Know* ..... Hymn # 209

*Joy to the World* ..... Hymn # 181

Congregational Singing

*Away in a Manger* ..... Hymn # 205

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering Video ..... *Beauty from Ashes*

Sermon ..... Bro. Jonathan Bost

*The Messiah's Herald*

Matthew 3:1-12

(Pew Bible p. 886)

Invitation ..... *Softly and Tenderly* ..... Hymn # 414

Benediction

*Gentle Mary Laid Her Child* ..... Hymn # 212

**Birthdays:** Norman Booker, III (17), Kimberly Horton (18), and Neva Dowden (21).

*December Special Offering: Lottie Moon*

*Our Church Goal:* \$ 7,500.00

*Offerings Received:* \$ 2,105.00

*Amount Short of Goal:* \$ 5,395.00

### Ministry Leaders

Jonathan Bost	Pastor	Mark Jordan	Music Director
Jeffery Leach	Youth Director	Nikki Booker	Children's Director

### Worship Team

Glenda Merriman	Pianist	Merrill Cummings	Organist
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## *Activities This Week*

Today:	9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service Children & Youth Christmas Program 5:00 p.m. Finance Meeting 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship Service 7:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting
Monday:	7:30 a.m. "In One Accord" (Prayer Time)
Wednesday:	5:00 p.m. Handbell Practice 5:45 p.m. Wednesday Night Meal (Baked Potato & Sweet Potato Bar) 6:30 p.m. Business Meeting, Youth & Children Activities 7:15 p.m. Choir Practice
Next Sunday:	9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service No Evening Services or Activities (Christmas Eve)

### **Looking Ahead:**

- 12/25 [Monday] Church Office Closed
- 12/26 [Tuesday] Church Office Closed
- 12/27 [Wednesday] No Evening Services
- 12/31 [Sunday] The Southern Plainsmen during Morning Worship

*For more details on these activities,  
refer to our newsletter, web-site, or call church office!*

## **Vital Statistics**

Financial December 2017		Attendance		
		Date	Sunday School	Worship
Monthly Budget Needs:	\$33,238.78	12/3	55	66
Gifts Received to Date:	\$13,308.25	12/10	63	91
Budget Needs Remaining:	\$19,930.48			

### **Prayer Concerns:**

Robert & Connie Ammons, Cassidy Byles, Dean Corley, Evelyn Dees, Neva Dowden, Boots Hayes, Terry Kelly, Jarrod & Kristi Leach, Shirley Lee, Geneva Lewing, Dr. Richard & Margaret Oosta, Ruth Price, Helen Rains, Debbie Waters, Suzanne Worsham, Doris Wright, The Kenny Tibbett family

<u>Members in Service :</u>		
	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Deacon of the Week</u>
Today:	Suzanne Worsham, Dorothy Alford, Don Scaife, Jan Varnado	Norman Booker, Jr.
Next Week:	Kristi Leach, Shirley Salley, Delores Geoghagan, Al Schweiger	Charles Mains

No XYZ Bible Study until Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **Women's Bible Study - Beth Moore's "The Quest"**

**New Study to Begin January 18<sup>th</sup> Thursdays 9:30 – 11 AM**

BOOKS WILL BE \$ 18. SIGN UP BY JAN. 4<sup>TH</sup>!

Make plans now to join in this 6 week study. It is open to all women in our area. Contact Ramona Moore or the church office to sign up.

### **FBC Many T-Shirts**

**Deadline to Order Extended to Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>**

Get a new Many FBC t-shirt! They will be on gray shirts, writing in black, with red heart. Cost will be \$10 each with proceeds will benefit youth. Sign up sheets are posted in various locations throughout the church. Please pay for your shirt before the December 31<sup>st</sup> deadline. Contact the office to order or for info.



### **The Southern Plainsmen**

**Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup> @ 11:00 AM**

We will welcome The Southern Plainsmen for the Morning Worship Service. Invite your family, friends, and neighbors to join us for this concert. A love offering will be taken.

### **Upcoming Worship Schedule**

Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>

Sunday School at 9:45 AM & Morning Worship at 11:00 AM

Wednesday, December 27<sup>th</sup>

No Service or Activities

Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>

Sunday School at 9:45 AM & Morning Worship @ 11 AM

If you would like to know your year to date church contributions, please contact Karen Sepulvado. The 2017 Contribution Statements will be mailed in January 2018. But if you would like to make sure that you are up to date on your tithing and contributions, we can gladly help. The 2017 Church Contributions will close on Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>. Please make note of this and plan accordingly.

# O Come, O Come, Immanuel!

## The Messiah's Herald

Matthew 3:1-12

1. An Unexpected P \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 1-3)

“Repent,” Peter said to them, “and be baptized, each of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.” Acts 2:38

Walking  
Point:

A Challenging C \_\_\_\_\_!

2. An Unexpected P \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 4-6)

“Look, I am going to send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome Day of the Lord comes...” Malachi 4:5-6

“They replied, ‘A hairy man with a leather belt around his waist.’ He said, ‘It’s Elijah the Tishbite.’” 2 Kings 1:8

“And many who had become believers came confessing and disclosing their practices...” Acts 19:18

Walking  
Point:

A Challenging C \_\_\_\_\_!

3. An Unexpected P \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 7-10)

“For godly grief produces a repentance not to be regretted and leading to salvation...” 2 Corinthians 7:10

“...<sup>20</sup> you’ll recognize them by their fruit.” Matthew 7:19-20

Walking  
Point:

A Challenging C \_\_\_\_\_!

4. An Unexpected P \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. #.#)

“After this

I will pour out My Spirit on all humanity...” Joel 2:28-29

““This, then, is the judgment: The light has come into the world, and people loved darkness...” John 3:19

Walking  
Point:

A Challenging C \_\_\_\_\_!