

**“What Happened in Bethlehem
(And it’s not what you think)” – 1 Samuel 16:1-13**

Everybody grew up S_____

...including K_____ D_____
(who grew up in B_____) (1 Sam. 17:12)

TWO important events in David’s life in Bethlehem:

- 1) David’s A_____ as K_____ (1 Sam. 16:1-13)
(a “S_____ anointing” as Saul was still in the
N_____ position as king)

Key Truths:

- God is more concerned with the C_____ of
our I_____ Q_____ than He is with
our O_____ A_____
- God was P_____ David for his future
R_____ (Psalm 78:70-72)

- 2) When the Philistines placed a G_____ in
Bethlehem (2 Samuel 23)
(this symbolizes how a sinful world and our enemy seeks to
C_____ us)

But David’s spiritual discouragement turned into spiritual
E_____

Selflessness, S_____ and O_____ points
forward to Jesus on the C_____

David the S_____ —> Jesus the G_____
S_____ (which will lead into Micah chapter _____)

SHALOM BAPTIST CHURCH

December 14, 2025 ~ 11:00 AM

Gather. Glorify. Grow. Go.

Third Sunday of Advent-Joy

Welcome Jean Dart

Baptism Amy Neal & Geoff Baldwin

Prelude *Some Children See Him* Traditional

Call to Worship *This Is the Day* Garrett

Invocation Gerry Mick

*Carol of Praise #87 *Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come* ANTIOCH

Lighting of the Advent Candle of Joy

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Mark Miller

*+Carol of Offering #100 *Angels, We Have Heard on High* GLORIA

*Offertory Prayer Kenny Taylor
Deacon of the Month

Offertory Music *Shout the Glad Tidings* Avison

*The Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
O praise Him, O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Musical Meditation *How Great Our Joy* Trad.
Chancel Choir

Scripture 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Message Rev. Mark Miller
"What Happened in Bethlehem (And it's not what you think)"

*Carol of Invitation #88 *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* MENDELSSOHN

Benediction Rev. Mark Miller

*Closing Response *Advent Joy* Responsive Reading

L: When we think of the countless blessings that fill our lives

P: **Our hearts are filled with joy.**

L: For the warmth of relationships and the bonds we share with family and friends

P: **Our hearts are filled with joy.**

L: When we pause to appreciate the beauty and wonder of nature

P: **Our hearts are filled with joy.**

L: For the giving and receiving of simple acts of kindness

P: **Our hearts are filled with joy.**

Postlude *O Thou Joyful* Trad. German Carol

*Please stand if you are able

+Children released for Children's Church (for 5 yrs. - 5th grade)