First Sunday of Advent Worship – December 1st, 2019

Gathering
Prelude

Welcome & Invitation to Participate

*Shared Greetings

Lighting of the Advent Candles — Light of Light

Light of Light — Choir Choral Response — Congregation (Insert)

Reader: Advent is a time of reflection and renewal.

People: God of light, shine in our hearts and renew our hope.

Reader: Advent is a time of self-examination.

People: God of light, shine in our hearts and strengthen our resolve.

Reader: Advent is a time of joyful expectation.

People: God of light, shine in our hearts and renew our faith.

Reader: Advent is a time of service and searching.

People: God of light, shine in our hearts and ignite our compassion.

Lighting of the Candle of Hope

Reader: Today we light the first candle — the candle of Hope — reminding us

that in sending Christ, God sent Hope to the earth.

Light of Light — Choir Choral Response — Congregation

Offering Ourselves

Advent Hymn Come, O Long Expectant Jesus No. 187

The Written Word Isaiah 2:1—5

Anthem How Great Our Joy Choir

The Prayers of the People

Song of Preparation Cup of Salvation Choir

Communion Bread Cup

Song I Love You, Lord No. 228

<u>Home</u>

The Written Word Matthew 1:1—17

The Spoken Word Home, Church & DNA Pastor Mark Rambo

Responding to the Word

Gifts of the People

Offertory Nick Carlson

*Doxology Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye Heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*Home Song Blest Be the Tie that Binds Hands

*Benediction Walk Humbly Love Completely Live Differently

*Postlude Nick Carlson

First Baptist Church News & Events

Today:

Nick Carlson

8:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship

4:00 p.m. Table Grace - Feeding Ministry

This Week:

Dec. 4th 6:30 pm Executive Council Meeting in Room 102

Dec. 5th 7:00 pm Choir

Dec. 7th 11:00 am Memorial Service for Dennis Baker

6:00 pm Emmaus

<u>A Memorial Service for Dennis Baker</u> will be held at First Baptist Church on Saturday, December 7th at 11:00 a.m. – a reception will follow.

The Congregation is invited to the Executive Council meeting on Wednesday, December 4th at 6:30 pm. Rev. Doug Avilesbernal, Executive Minister of Evergreen Baptist Association, will be meeting with us. All are invited.

The Trustees Meeting has been changed to December 10th.

<u>Sock & Cookie Donations</u> starts <u>December 1st</u>: From Art Brown for the Jail Ministry: "Last year we ministered to almost 1,500 inmates in Thurston, Mason, Lewis, Grays Harbor, and Cowlitz county jails. We would like to do the same this year. To accomplish this we will need to collect 800 dozen cookies and 1,500 pairs of socks! Please have the cookies in non-returnable containers. They should be cookies, not

brownies or bars. It is better if they aren't too sticky or crumbly (so they don't fall apart or stick to the other cookies when they are packaged). Please mark all containers of socks and cookies with *For Thurston County Jail Ministry*." You can drop off the donations in the bins under the long table in the foyer. Thank you for your kind donations! The <u>deadline</u> will be the 19th of December.

<u>Christmas Eve Worship Service</u>, Tuesday, <u>December 24th at 7:00 pm</u>. You are invited to a night filled with Song, Scripture, Activity & Light that will include Communion. This traditional but interactive worship will include familiar and new experiences centered on the gift, the Incarnate One, Jesus Christ. We hope you will invite family and neighbors to join us.

DATES TO MAKE NOTE OF: • The Bible Study begins again on the 9th of January.

• Christmas Caroling - Come and make a JOYFUL NOISE! Meet at the church at 5:45

^{* =} please stand if you can do so comfortably

pm on **December 17th.** We will go caroling to a number of church members and return back to the church for hot chocolate. Bring a plate of goodies to share and a flashlight.

GIVING			
	October	YTD	
Income	\$19,721.00		
Expenses	\$23,081.00	\$245,743.00	
NOTES			

<u>Childcare:</u> Will be provided in the nursery by Margie Johnson, ages 3 to 2nd grade. <u>Children's Activities and Bulletins</u>: Are located in the back of the sanctuary with a clipboard and coloring materials.

<u>Hearing Devices:</u> Are available from the ushers – please ask for assistance. <u>We Are Scent Free:</u> Some people are allergic or sensitive to different scents so please be considerate of our congregation members and plan accordingly.

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dave Roberts, Interim Pastor | Rev. Mark Rambo, Associate Pastor Rev. Caroline Lehman, Visitation Pastor | Nick Carlson, Organist Darrell Born, Choir Director | Lela DePaolo, Secretary | Gary Rogers, Caretaker

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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