

HESTER BAPTIST CHURCH

November 30, 2025

Eleven o'clock in the Morning

Welcome and Announcements		Pastor
Prelude	<i>Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus</i>	Wesley
Call to Worship	<i>Light the Light, the Fire of Life</i> Lighting the First Advent Candle	Montoya
Hymn 76	<i>O Come, O Come, Emmanuel</i>	Latin Hymn
Offertory Prayer		Usher
Offertory	<i>How Great Our Joy</i>	arr. Simenson
Hymn of Response	<i>Doxology</i>	Ken
Choir	<i>Silent Night/Isn't He?</i>	Mohr & Wimber
Message	“Jesus is the Living WORD” John 1:1-18	Pastor
Hymn 88	<i>Hark! The Herald Angels Sing</i>	Wesley
Parting Prayer		Pastor
Postlude	<i>Angels, From the Realms of Glory</i>	Montgomery

A WORD OF WELCOME

We WELCOME you to Hester today! We hope you will visit with us again. If you do not have a Church home in our community, we invite you to join us here at Hester. At the close of each service (during the final hymn), we welcome new members by profession of faith, by Christian statement, or by transfer of letter.

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

Today is the first Sunday of Advent and this year we are lighting our Advent Wreath as the Sanctuary Choir is singing the hymn titled *Light the Light, the Fire of Life*. This hymn, written by David Montoya in 1997, describes the meaning of each candle.

YOUTH/CHILDREN READ THE CHRISTMAS STORY

Next Sunday (Dec. 7th), our Youth & Children will help us celebrate the birth of Jesus by reading the Christmas Story in our service.

BREAKFAST AND CANDLELIGHT

On the third Sunday of Advent (December 14, 2025), we are planning to have a Fellowship Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. Then, during the Worship Service at 11:00, we are planning to observe a special service of Carols and Candlelight.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA BY THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

On the fourth Sunday of Advent (December 21, 2025), the Sanctuary Choir will present *A Song is Born at Christmas*, by Tom Fettke, during the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

We are planning a Christmas Eve Service again this year (time TBA). It will include communion, candlelight, and a devotional.

REGULAR EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today (Nov. 30)	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	The Worship of God
	Noon	Decorating for Christmas
	3:00 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	Deacons Meeting Alan Watson's Birthday

Monday (Dec. 1)		Grover & Annie Barnette's Anniv. Oscar & Helen Yancey's Anniv.
Wednesday (Dec. 3)	6:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Thursday (Dec. 4)	11:30 a.m.	Friendship Group Tammy Blair's Birthday
Friday (Dec. 5)		Ellie Tingen's Birthday
Next Sunday (Dec. 7)	10:00 a.m.	Church Conference and Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	The Worship of God Ronnie & Marcia Brooks' Anniv.

DEACONS OF THE MONTH CLOSING DOORS

Leland Yancey will close our Church Buildings during the month of November, and Brandon Averette will close during December. We appreciate our Deacons closing our buildings.

CHURCH PHONE NUMBERS

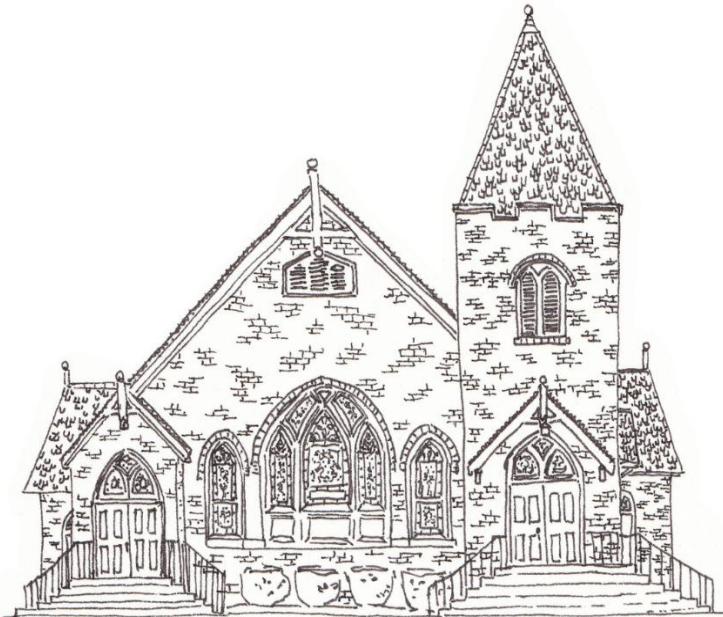
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