

MORNING WORSHIP

December 8, 2024

10:30AM

Lottie Moon Video

Welcome/Video Announcements /Prayer Jordan Drake

Hymn Number 175
"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Advent – Bethlehem Candle of Peace Jane Ashley White

Offertory Hymn Number 199
"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Handbells
"Deck the Halls"

Scripture James Henegar

Message James Henegar
"Peace"

Invitation Hymn Number 182
"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

Closing Prayer Deacon

Handbells

Postlude

Pastor – James Henegar

Associate Pastor – Jordan Drake

Record for November 24 – November 30, 2024

Weekly Budget:	\$11,396.00
Last Week's Giving:	\$ 8,758.00

MBC NEWS

Birthdays

Monday: Bethylee Riddick*, John R. Gurganus **Wednesday:** Lucy Taylor, Sudie Reason **Thursday:** JE Skinner **Saturday:** Karen Whitfield, Libbi West

Advent

The **second candle** represents **peace** and is called "Bethlehem's Candle." One of the prophecies about Jesus calls him "the Prince of Peace" (Isaiah 9:6-7). When the angels appeared to the shepherds, they ended their message by saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests".

Budget Presentation

After the worship service next Sunday, December 15, 2024, in addition to the 2025 proposed budgets for the Church and School, the Business Management Team will also present for approval requests for the following two capital spend items:

- ❖ Approximately \$19,000 to replace the carpet with LVT flooring (durable, non-skid) in the three, high traffic hallways around the fellowship hall, including the ramp ascending to the atrium (not including atrium level), and
- ❖ Approximately \$9000 in material cost to enclose a portion of the church-side porch on the Adult Education Center (Barnes House) into a 9'x 11' Sunday School room.

Should you have any questions concerning the above two items, please contact Ken Hardison of the Facilities Team.

Each family should have received a copy of the proposed 2025 budget in the mail. If you have not received a copy you can pick up one from the church office. Please save your copy of the budget and bring it with you to the Budget Presentation next Sunday, December 15, 2024.

Added Note: In addition to the budget vote after the morning worship service on December 15th, the Ministry Enlistment Team will also request approval for two additional persons to serve as Trustees to ensure we adhere to our Church's By-law specifications to maintain five members in this role. These newly proposed Trustees are Amy L Edwards and Ben Daniel. The pre-existing Trustees who will remain on the team include Greg Shepherd, Randy Miller and Tommy Harris.

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Remember our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions. Our goal is \$33,000. We have received \$7,900.00.

Christmas Card Mailbox

Save a stamp, help a missionary! Located on our missions table is an alphabetical mailbox. Instead of mailing cards to fellow MBC members place them by last name, and please consider giving your postage savings in the Lottie Moon offering box beside mailbox.

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Sunday December 8, 2024
 9:00–10:00 Church Library
 9:15 AM Sunday School
 10:30 Morning Worship – Sanctuary – Live Stream – Live Radio
 WIAM 900AM – 92.1FM
 10:30 Children’s Church
 11:30 Children’s Christmas Party – Fellowship Hall
 5:00 PM No Mom’s in Prayer
 5:30 Christmas Tree Lighting – Lawn by Playground

Monday December 9, 2024
 3:00 PM Prayer Team

Tuesday December 10, 2024
 7:00 PM Renee Crane Circle – Fellowship Hall

Wednesday December 11, 2024
 5:30–6:30 Church Library Open
 5:45 Meal – The Shepherd Class – Spaghetti with Meat
 Sauce, Salad, Dinner Roll, Desert
 6:30 Awana and Students
 6:45 Adult Mid-Week – “Unlocking the Mysteries of Genesis”
 7:35 Christmas Choir Practice
 Worship Choir Practice Immediately After Christmas Choir

Thursday December 12, 2024
 7:00 PM Christmas Choir Practice

Biblical Recorder

It is time again to update our subscription list for the Biblical Recorder, the official journal of our Baptist State Convention. To be added to our subscription list, to continue, to be taken off, or to note a change of address, please contact the church office by December 20, 2024. The cost will be \$7.00.

Deadline for January Calendar

The deadline to submit calendar dates to the church office for January calendar will be Thursday, December 19, 2024.

Thank You Notes

We have received thank you notes from Elyse and Simon Griffin and Travis and Caroline Fennessy. They are posted on the hall bulletin board.

Food Pantry

We are having an ongoing food collection for Friends of God Food Pantry. The bins are labeled and located in the atrium. Please donate non-perishable foods: spaghetti sauce, spaghetti, canned vegetables, canned meat, canned fruit, soup, peanut butter, jelly, rice, etc. Thank you for your support.

STUDENT MINISTRIES (Grades 6-12)

Students Winter Retreat ‘25: January 17–20, 2025 – Winter Retreat ‘25 – Snowbird Wilderness Outfitters in Andrews, NC – \$125/person – \$60.00 (non-refundable) deposit required at registration. On-line registration at www.membap.org/winterSWO by January 15, 2025.

VOLUNTEERS FOR MINISTRIES – December 8, 2024

Deacon of the Week – Martha Rae Griffin
Facilities Team – Hank Edwards
Flowers – Debi Rogers
Food Service Team – Ryan Garner
Transportation – Duke Stone
Nursery Chair – Harris Harrell
Infants – Joyce Gay and Susie Beach
1 – 2 Year Olds – Amanda Ward and Brenda Roberson
2 – 3 Year Olds – Justin and Grace Harrell
4 Year Olds – Kindergarten – Jason and Cynthia Manning
Video System – Jason White
Audio System – John Davis
Sunday Tellers – Jerry Howell and Neal Phelps
Tuesday Teller – Diane Hardison
Greeters – Jerry and Fannie Howell (Sanctuary Greeters), Sheila Godard (Double Glass Door in Atrium)

CURRENT PRAYER CONCERNS

MBC Web Page www.membap.org

Sympathy: To Gloria Johnson and family in the death of her husband, Frank Johnson.

Three Rivers: Naomi Roberson

Newly Added Prayer Concerns: Belinda Daniels, Vann Rogerson, Norma Ward (Aunt of James Cratt), Tommy Peele (Friend of James Cratt), Phebe Bunch (Special Needs Cataract Surgery – Dec. 27)

Military: Chris Holland, Everett Paschal, William Manning, Jackson Hocutt, Matt Dougherty, Kristen Caldwell, Jim Davis

David & Renee, Nikki & Steve Hart, Tim & Lynn Davis (Daughter of Tommy & Jean Harris), Baptist Children’s Home, Travis & Caroline Jones Fennessy, Shaun & Joy Price

Additional Announcements

December 8, 2024

Upcoming December Dates and Activities

Christmas Eve Service – Our Christmas Eve Service will be at 5:00PM in the sanctuary.

Wednesday Activities – No Wednesday activities on December 25, 2024 or January 1, 2025. We will kick off the new year with a covered dish meal at 5:45PM on Wednesday, January 8, 2025, furnished by the members of MBC and organized by the Food Service Team. We will resume our Awana's and Students at 6:30PM and Adult Mid-Week at 6:45PM on Wednesday, January 8, 2025.

Office Closed Tuesday, December 24 – Wednesday, January 1, 2025 – We will be back in the office on Thursday, January 2, 2025.

Adult Christmas Cantata Information

- ❖ We will be having our presentation of "The Christ Came" with our Worship Choir and Contemporary Orchestra next Sunday, December 15, 2024 at 6:00PM in the sanctuary.
 - ❖ There will be a Churchwide Social immediately following the Christmas Cantata in the Fellowship Hall.
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