

Opportunities for the Week

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

8:30	AM	Morning Worship, Worship Center
9:15	AM	Library Open
9:45	AM	Bible Study
11:00	AM	Morning Worship, Worship Center
5:00	PM	Open Door for Prayer, Chapel
5:45	PM	Preschool Childcare
6:00	PM	Christmas Eve Service, Worship Center

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25

Merry Christmas

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26

Office closed

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27

No activities at FBC

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29

7:00 PM Chinese Bible Study, Chason 2201

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The church office will be closed December 25 - 27 and January 1. There will be someone in the office to receive contributions on Wednesday, December 27, 8:30 am - 4:00 pm and Saturday, December 30, 8:30 am - noon.

FBC FOREIGN MISSIONS GOAL: \$25,000.

Special Offering envelopes are in member packs and in pew racks. Please prayerfully consider your missions gift.

The Mission of First Baptist Church

The mission of the First Baptist Church of Tallahassee is to be a God-centered, Bible-directed, people-focused, caring body of baptized believers in Jesus Christ, led by the Holy Spirit in worshiping, serving and sharing Christ, and in equipping believers to carry out the Great Commission in the community and throughout the world.



“Prepare the Way...”

*“Unto us a child is born,
unto us a son is given...”
Isaiah 9:6*

DECEMBER 24, 1995

May the work of preparation lead us to Christmas joy.

8:30 AM D 11:00 AM

Prelude / *God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen* / Lori Cobb

Call To Adoration / *For To Us A Child Is Born*
Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra

Lighting of the Fourth Advent Candle: Adoration
8:30 Bridget Merrill, 11:00 LaRaela Gunter

Carol 89 / *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

Welcome / Fran Buhler

Welcome Carol / *Angels We Have Heard On High*
Angels we have heard on high, Sweetly singing o'er the plains;
And the mountains in reply, Echoing their joyous strains.
Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Breath of Heaven / Sharon Cooke

Carol 98 / *I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day*

Carol 109 / *Love Came Down At Christmas*

Offertory Prayer / Don Winters

Light of A Million Mornings / Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra
Dawn McDonald Cooper, soloist

Message / "Our Best-Laid Plans" / Dr. Doug Dortch
Bible Reference: Matthew 1:18-25 (Pew Bible p. 835)

Commitment Carol 86 / *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

Benediction / Coleman Thompson

Fellowship Carol 87 / *Joy to the World*

Postlude / *Joy to the World* / Lori Cobb

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO:

Charles Houston and family in the death of his wife, Nell.

Charles Armstrong and family in the death of his wife, Lucille.

Elizabeth Hord and family in the death of her sister.

Jessie Culbertson and family in the death of her sister,
Ann Hicks' aunt, Mrs. George Fennell.

TONIGHT, 6:00 / CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

- Pre-school childcare only.

HOLIDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

December 27 - No activities at FBC.

The regular Sunday schedule will be observed on both
December 24 and December 31. Sunday School - 9:45 am,
Worship - 8:30 am, 11:00 am, and 6:00 pm.

Sermons for December 31 by Fran Buhler:

- 8:30 and 11:00 am / "The Secret for a Happy New Year"
based on Deuteronomy 31:8.
- 6:00 pm / "The Advent of God" based on Psalm 50:1-6.

SUNDAY PARKING NEWS

City Parking Garage now available for FBC use on Sunday mornings.
The top level (110 spaces) of the Capitol Commons Parking Garage
will be open from 8:00 am - 1:00 pm on Sundays free of charge.

- Entry and exit will be allowed *only* from Duval Street.
- Security will be provided.
- Cars left *after* 1:00 pm *cannot* be removed until Monday morning!

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The Festival of Lessons and Carols will be broadcast on
Channel 37 on Christmas Eve at 6:00 and again on
Wednesday, December 27, at 7:00 pm.

COMING IN JANUARY

Associational Evangelism Rally, hosted by FBC.
6:00 pm, January 7. Adult Rally in sanctuary.
Youth Rally in CLC gym.

J. Douglas Dortch, Jr., Ph.D., Pastor

Fran Buhler, Associate Pastor/Director of Ministry; *Becky Hagood*, Minister of
Weekday Early Education; *John Marshall*, Minister of Administration; *Preston*
Odom, Minister of Christian Activities; *Clint Purvis*, Minister to Students; *Michael*
Norris, Minister of Music; *Linda Smeltzer*, Interim Minister to Youth; *Marty Smith*,
Minister to Internationals; *Coleman Thompson*, Minister of Pastoral Care.

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