

ADVENT READING SCHEDULE: This schedule is to provide you and your family a guide to remember and anticipate the celebration of the birth of Christ.

	Dec 1	Dec 8	Dec 15	Dec 22
Sun	Isa. 40:1—5	Isa. 11:1-10	Luke 1:14-25	Mat. 1:18-25
Mon	Isa. 52:7-10	Zech. 6:12-13	Luke 1:39-45	Luke 2:1-20
Tue	Isa. 40:9-11	Mic. 5:2-4	Luke 1:46-66	Mat. 2:1-2
Wed	Gen. 3:8-15	Mal. 3:1-6	Luke 1:67-80	Luke 2:21-35
Thur	Gen. 15:1-6	John 1:1-18	Isa. 7:10-14	
Fri	Gen. 18:15-19	Mark 1:1-3	Luke 1:26-35	
Sat	Ps. 89:1-4	Luke 1:5-13	Isa. 9:2-7	

ADVENT CANDLES: Following is a brief explanation of the Advent Wreath and Candles that are located in the front of the auditorium.

The Advent wreath carries with it many rich symbols. The circle represents eternity. A circle has no beginning and no end. The evergreen which is always green, symbolizes life, growth and hope. The candles signify the time of preparation, recognizing the need for the coming of Christ in our lives, and the joy we know because God loves us so much that He sent Jesus into the world.

- 1st Candle - (Purple) **The Prophecy Candle or Candle of Hope** - Romans 15:12-13
- 2nd Candle - (Purple) **The Bethlehem Candle or The Candle of Preparation** - Luke 3:4-6
- 3rd Candle - (Pink) **The Shepherd Candle or The Candle of Joy** - Luke 2:7-5
- 4th Candle - (Purple) **The Angel Candle or The Candle of Love** - John 3:16-17
- 5th Candle - (White) **The Christ Candle** - John 1:29, 3:1-8

Join us as we **Prepare** our hearts with **Hope, Joy** and **Love** as we eagerly look forward to **Christmas**—the celebration of the birth our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

WE AFFIRM THE “SOLAS” OF THE PROTESTANT REFORMATION

- Sola Scriptura:** The Bible is the sole written divine revelation and alone can bind the conscience of believers absolutely.
- Sola Fide:** Justification is by faith alone. The merit of Christ imputed to us by faith is the sole ground of our acceptance by God, by which our sins are remitted.
- Solus Christus:** Christ is the only mediator through whose work we are redeemed.
- Sola Gratia:** Our salvation rests solely on the work of God’s grace for us.
- Soli Deo Gloria:** To God alone belongs the glory.

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“IN ALL THINGS...FOR ALL NATIONS”

Our central passion at Randolph Street is God & His glory in all things. As we gather today to sing, pray, read the Scriptures and hear the Word preached, may our triune God be pleased to show forth His greatness and goodness for the sake of our joy and His glory. In response to God and His promises this morning, may our hearts rise up in praise, repentance, faith, delight and hope.

TODAY’S SCHEDULE

- 9:30am** Training Hour
- 10:30am** Corporate Worship in the Auditorium
*Nursery (0-3 years) is available in Room 207.
- 12:00pm** Informal After-Gathering in the Welcome Center

TODAY’S SERMON

**Reflection & Application of
Romans 5:3-5**

³ Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

CALENDAR REMINDERS: Keep these dates in mind.

- Dec. 8 - New Member Sunday
- 8 - **Sunday Night Ministry Update** – 6pm. Bring a dessert to share following the meeting.
- 14 - Holiday Child Care – from 1 – 5pm.
- 15 - Leadership Training session - 5~7
- 18 - Baby Shower for Sheri Fry – Wednesday at the Southridge Panera Bread (6pm)
- 22 - Training Hour Break – We will not be having training hour the 3 Sundays from December 22nd through January 5th.
- 22 - Middle School Christmas Party – Following the gathering. Pizza Party (\$3/child) and Candy Exchange.
- 22 - Christmas Caroling – West Side Neighborhood. Meet at the Church at 5pm.
- 24 - Christmas Eve Service — 6 ~ 7pm
- 27 - Cross Conference – Louisville, KY, from December 27th through December 30th.
- 29 - Sacrifice Sunday
- Jan. 12 - Membership Annual Meeting following the gathering
- 12 - Baby Shower for Hilary Stone – Sunday at the Southridge Panera Bread (5pm).
- 18 - Starting Point Class – Saturday, 1-day class from 8:30am-11:30am for those interested in partnering with RSBC in membership.

SUNDAY NIGHT MINISTRY UPDATE: There will be a meeting to update the church family on our activity and plans for our multiplication effort in the Valley **tonight** at 6pm. To facilitate care group planning and other details, we will be looking for commitment from those desiring to be a part of this effort. We will also be addressing some shepherding issues along with our children being instructed by our elders for catechism. Please bring a dessert to share after the gathering.

HOLIDAY CHILD CARE: We will be offering the second Child Care time from 1pm to 5pm on Saturday, December 14th at the church facility to serve our families with younger children to have time for shopping or preparation for Christmas. Please sign up in the welcome center.

SACRIFICE SUNDAY: We will be designating all giving received on Sunday, December 29th, to the 321 Project. Please prayerfully consider sacrificially giving toward our regional and global multiplication effort.

LEADERSHIP EXAMINATION AND TRAINING: The next training session is going to be held on December 15th at 5pm. The men who have entered training for office of elder are Greg McVey, Fred Nyhuis & Roger Shealy. The men who have entered training for office of deacon are Tony

CROSS CONFERENCE: Continue to be in prayer for those planning to attend the Cross Conference coming up this December. If you are interested in attending the conference, it's not too late to sign up. Contact Andrew Stonestreet (Stonestreet.Andrew@gmail.com) or Jeremy Bennett (Jeremy@randolphonline.org) for more details. Visit www.crosscon.com for information on the conference. If you would like to contribute to help offset the cost of this conference to those attending, please let Jeremy Bennett know.

BAPTISM: There will be a class for those interested in baptism during the training hour on Sunday, January 26, 2014. Please plan to attend this class if you desire to be baptized in a special service on Sunday, March 2, 2104 during the corporate gathering.

T4G 2014: Men, start planning now for the Together for the Gospel Conference in April, 2014. See t4g.org for more information. It's not too early to register. Let Jeremy know if you're interested and we will be making plans to travel as a group.



2013 BIBLE READING PLAN			
Dec. 1: 1 Cor. 9-11	Dec. 9: Eph. 1-3	Dec. 17: Titus-Phile.	Dec. 25: 2 John - Jude
Dec. 2: 1 Cor. 12-14	Dec. 10: Eph. 4-6	Dec. 18: Heb. 1-6	Dec. 26: Rev. 1-3
Dec. 3: 1 Cor. 15-16	Dec. 11: Philippians.	Dec. 19: Heb. 7-10	Dec. 27: Rev. 4-8
Dec. 4: 2 Cor. 1-4	Dec. 12: Colossians	Dec. 20: Heb. 11-13	Dec. 28: Rev. 9-12
Dec. 5: 2 Cor. 5-9	Dec. 13: 1 Thess.	Dec. 21: James	Dec. 29: Rev. 13-16
Dec. 6: 2 Cor. 10-13	Dec. 14: 2 Thess.	Dec. 22: 1 Peter	Dec. 30: Rev. 17-19
Dec. 7: Gal. 1-3	Dec. 15: 1 Tim.	Dec. 23: 2 Peter	Dec. 31: Rev. 20-22
Dec. 8: Gal. 4-6	Dec. 16: 2 Tim.	Dec. 24: 1 John	

RANDOLPH STREET CATECHISM

(The weekly Q&A is taken from the Baptist Catechism.)

Question 98: How do Baptism and the Lord's Supper become effective means of salvation?

Answer: Baptism and the Lord's Supper become effective means of salvation, not from any virtue in them or in him that administers them, but only by the blessing of Christ, and the working of his Spirit in those who by faith receive them.

Scripture: 1 Peter 3:21; 1 Corinthians 3:6, 7; 12:13.

Question 99: How do Baptism and the Lord's Supper differ from the other ordinances of God?

Answer: Baptism and the Lord's Supper differ from the other ordinances of God in that they were specially instituted by Christ to represent and apply to believers the benefits of the new covenant by visible and outward signs.

Scripture: Acts 22:16; Matthew 26:26-28; 28:19; Romans 6:4. 1:21, 25.

2013 REGULAR BUDGET FINANCIAL SUMMARY (as of 12/01/2013)	
2013 Giving Goals	Actual Giving
2013 Monthly Budget (Goal = \$33,494)	\$6,651.08 MTD
2013 Yearly Budget (Goal = \$401,924)	\$444,057.45 YTD
2013 - GOAL GIVING SUMMARY	
<i>In January 2013, we set 2 goals for our "above and beyond" giving effort. Please pray and ask what God might have you give toward these efforts.</i>	
321 Project: A fund to prepare us for our regional and global multiplication effort. (2013 Goal = \$50,000)	\$11,368.00 YTD
Charleston Expansion Debt Retirement: Our goal is to retire our mortgage debt (\$650k) in 7-10 years. (2013 Goal = \$50,000)	\$52,678.81 YTD

