

The Worship of God
The Lord's Day, December 21, 2014

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**11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE (Sanctuary)**  
 Broadcast live on WFJA 105.5 FM

**Please silence all cell phones and other electronic devices.**

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| Music for Meditation                      | “Shout for Joy”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Sanctuary Choir   |
| Words of Welcome                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Cal Sayles        |
| Celebration through Song                  | “Rejoice with Exceeding Great Joy”                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Congregation      |
| Meditation and Invocation                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Richard Wood      |
| Worship through Song #265, #250, #253     | “The First Noel” (vs. 1 and 6)<br>“O Little Town of Bethlehem” (vs. 1 and 4)<br>“Silent Night! Holy Night!” (vs. 1)                                                                                                                                              | Congregation      |
| A Time for Children                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                   |
| Children's Sermon                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Richard Wood      |
| Lighting of the Advent Candle of Love     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                   |
| Worship through Song                      | “Sweet Little Jesus Boy”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Ronnie Byrd       |
| Thanksgiving with Tithes and Offerings    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                   |
| Offertory Prayer                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                   |
| Worship in Song                           | “A Baby Changes Everything”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Katie Warren      |
| Opening God's Word Together               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Cal Sayles        |
|                                           | <u>Favored of God</u><br>Luke 1:26-37, 46-55                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                   |
| An Invitation to Share Our Decisions #262 | “Away in a Manger”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Congregation      |
| Benediction                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Cal Sayles        |
|                                           | Matthew 28:19-20 - “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” |                   |
| Postlude                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Kimberly Davidson |



Join us for this week's evening services and activities . . .

- **Sunday Evening, 6:00 PM - Christmas Caroling (McDowell Hall) and return to the Church at 7:00 PM for cookies and cocoa**
- **Wednesday, 5:00 PM - Christmas Eve Service with The Lord's Supper and Candlelight Walk (Sanctuary)**

**Hearing Loop is Now Activated** - A small number of wireless headsets are available on a first-come, first-serve basis for those who might need them and do not have the proper hearing aids. Please contact our Ushers for a wireless headset. Please contact Richard Sistrunk if you have any issues or questions.

**CHURCH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK**

|                                               |                                                                                                     |
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| <b>SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21</b>                    |                                                                                                     |
| 9:00 - 9:45 AM                                | Church Library Open                                                                                 |
| 9:45 AM                                       | Sunday School Classes for Everyone                                                                  |
| 11:00 AM                                      | Morning Worship (Sanctuary)<br>(Broadcast live on WFJA 105.5 FM)<br>Extended Session 1 - Angie Wood |
|                                               | <b>No Children's Worship</b>                                                                        |
| 12:00 - 12:15 PM                              | Church Library Open                                                                                 |
| 6:00 PM                                       | Christmas Caroling with Cookies and Hot Chocolate (McDowell Hall)                                   |
| <b>MONDAY, DECEMBER 22</b>                    |                                                                                                     |
| 2:30 PM                                       | Staff Meeting                                                                                       |
| <b>TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23</b>                   |                                                                                                     |
| 7:30 AM                                       | Men's Prayer Meeting                                                                                |
| <b>WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24 - CHRISTMAS EVE</b> |                                                                                                     |
|                                               | Church Office Closed                                                                                |
| 5:00 PM                                       | Christmas Eve Candlelight Service with Communion (Sanctuary)                                        |
| <b>THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25 - CHRISTMAS DAY</b>  |                                                                                                     |
|                                               | Church Office Closed                                                                                |
| <b>FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26</b>                    |                                                                                                     |
|                                               | Church Office Closed                                                                                |

**DECEMBER NEWS AND EVENTS**

**December Greeters** - Door 1 - Ariane Smith; Door 2 - John Henry & Katie Rice; and Door 3 - Kathryn Snipes

**December Unlocking, Lock Up & Security**

Today - Joy Scott  
 December 28 - Tommy Scott

**Viewing Church Photos Online** - To receive an invitation for access to Church Photos via Shutterfly, please join the mailing list for [JHBC Photos using Shutterfly](http://www.jhbc.org) via mailing lists on our website, [www.jhbc.org](http://www.jhbc.org)

**Did You Check the Christmas Card Mailbox?** - Our Christmas card mailbox is on the window sill in the hallway outside of the church offices. Don't forget to give your "postage stamp donation" to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

**Church Office will be Closed** on Wednesday (December 24), Thursday, (December 25), and Friday (December 26).

**Sunday, December 28** - No Sunday evening service or activities

**Wednesday, December 31** - No Wednesday evening service or activities

**Year End Contributions** - In order to get credit for your contributions in 2014, all contributions need to be postmarked by midnight on 12-31-2014 or in the church office no later than close of business on December 31, 2014.

**Youth Ministry**

**Youth to Carolina Hurricanes Game Sunday, January 16** - We will be leaving JHBC at 5:30 PM and returning around 10:30 PM. Cost is \$15.00 per person. Sign up is available on the Family Ministry Bulletin Board. Tickets are not secured until payment is made.

**Youth Passport Choices will be July 12-17, 2015** - We will be going to Greensboro, NC. This camp is open to all youth in grades 6-12. Registration and a \$75 deposit are due by March 29. A sign-up sheet is on the Family Ministry Bulletin Board.

**JANUARY NEWS AND EVENTS**

**Thursday, January 1 - New Year's Day** - Church office will be closed

**Sunday Evening, January 4**

- 4:00 PM - Youth Ensemble
- 5:00 PM - Bible Drill (4<sup>th</sup> Grade through 12<sup>th</sup> Grade)
- 6:00 PM - Nursery (Infants through 3 years old)
- 6:00 PM - Bible Skills, Drills & Thrills  
(Children ages 4 years old through 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade)
- 6:00 PM - Church Business Meeting (Bullock-Matthews Room)

**Monday Evening, January 5**

6:30 PM - Deacons Meeting (Conference Room)

**Tuesday, January 6**

- 7:30 AM - Men's Prayer Meeting
- 10:00 AM - Ladies Bible Study with Sandy Sayles (McDowell Hall)
- 6:30 PM - Building & Grounds (Annex 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Meeting Room)

**Wednesday Evening, January 7**

6:15 PM - Family Night Covered Dish Supper (McDowell Hall)  
 REACH Ministry Presentation

**David and Heather Webb, City on a Hill Mission** - will speak to the Adults on Sunday Evening, January 11 at 6:00 PM in the Bullock-Matthews Room. Then on Wednesday Evening, January 21 at 6:30 PM the Webb's will speak to the Children and Youth in the Youth Center. This will be one combined program for the Children and Youth that night.

**Coming in January - Online, Electronic & Debit Card Giving**

Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church is pleased to announce the introduction of an electronic option for making regular offerings. Of course all your regular giving options are still in place. Contributions can now be debited automatically from your checking or savings account or processed using your credit or debit card. **You can save the church money on processing fees by using the checking or savings account method** rather than a debit or credit card. Our new electronic giving program offers convenience for you and much-needed donation consistency for our congregation. If you are currently giving on a weekly basis, you will no longer need to write out 52 checks a year or prepare 52 envelopes. And, when travel, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, this program will allow your weekly offerings to continue on an uninterrupted basis.

### MISSION PROJECTS

**Lottie Moon Christmas Offering JHBC Goal is \$5,000.** We have collected \$1,372 so far. Please give generously so others can hear the gospel and live!

**NC Treasure Chest Ministry Needs** – We need volunteers and monetary donations to fill 107 Blessing bags. For more information check out the website nctreasurechest.org on where you can volunteer to help. The event will be held TODAY, December 21 at the Circle M Ranch at 2:00 PM.

**Card Ministry** - Your donation of postage stamps or money to our weekly Card Ministry would be greatly appreciated. Money donated to the Card Ministry may be included with your offering envelope or drop it by the Church office.

**Jeimy Vargas Fund** – Your contribution can make a difference in the life of one of our own. Contributions can be made by check with the note “Jeimy Vargas.”

**Benevolence Fund** – In addition to your regular offering, make a donation on your envelope to the “JHBC Benevolence Fund”.

**City on a Hill Mission Total of All Donations for December** = \$580.00

### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Wheelchair Needed** – If you have a wheelchair that is in good condition and would be willing to donate it to the church, please contact the church office.

**JHBC Shirts** - The church t-shirts are here and can be picked up in the conference room beside the church office after the 11 AM service today. We also ordered a few extras if you are still looking for Christmas gifts. The cost is \$10 for S, M, L and XL and \$12 for XXL.

**Easter Brothers & Easter Family** on The Hallelujah Tour will be in concert on Saturday, December 27 at 6:00 PM at Hunt Springs Baptist Church in Sanford.

**Access to Right Now Media** - Our church has subscribed to a service that will allow you to access thousands of video-based Bible studies and videos for children. These can be viewed from your computer, tablet, or smartphone. An email was sent out several weeks ago to addresses we have on file containing a link to create an account. If you did not receive it, please contact Richard Wood to set up your account.

**Miss a Sunday or Have to be Away?** - You can go to our website, [www.jhbc.org](http://www.jhbc.org), and click on the "Listen Live" image. From there, you can find out how to listen to our 11:00 AM service live each Sunday, listen to a recorded sermon, or download previous sermons to your Apple iOS or Google Android device. Also, there are instructions on how to obtain a CD of the full worship service.

### BUDGET AND ATTENDANCE: December 14, 2014 (Week 15 of 52)

|                                       |               |                                 |                |
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| <b>General Fund</b>                   |               |                                 |                |
| Weekly Budgeted Needs                 | \$ 11,912.51  | YTD Budget Goal                 | \$ 178,687.65  |
| T/O Received                          | \$ 7,968.00   | YTD T/O Received                | \$ 152,017.04  |
| Less Budget This Week                 | \$ (3,944.51) | YTD Difference                  | \$ (26,670.61) |
| Budget: \$619,450.73                  |               |                                 |                |
| (\$619,450.73/52 weeks = \$11,912.51) |               | <b>TOTAL GIVING</b>             | \$ 9,127.00    |
| <b>ATTENDANCE</b>                     |               |                                 |                |
| Benevolence                           | \$ 130.00     | 9:45 AM Sunday School           | 150 + 5        |
| CBF Global Missions                   | \$ 95.00      | 11 AM Worship Service           | 200            |
| EFIT                                  | \$ 244.00     | 3 PM-Choir Christmas Musical    | 349            |
| H/E Thomas Mission                    | \$ 50.00      | 7:30 PM-Choir Christmas Musical | 295            |
| Lottie Moon                           | \$ 585.00     | Saturday 7:30 PM Musical        | 318            |
| Property Purchase                     | \$ 100.00     |                                 |                |

### OUR MISSION

*By the grace of God and the power of His Holy Spirit, we will embody the presence of the crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ to Sanford and the world through our worship, our witness, and our way of life as His disciples.*

### OUR VALUES

- ✦ God-focused intergenerational worship
- ✦ Bible-centered life-impacting Bible study and Discipleship
- ✦ Hands-on relationship-driven missions
- ✦ An accepting and encouraging sense of family where everyone's voice counts

Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church relates to the Sandy Creek Baptist Association, the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of North Carolina and the Baptist World Alliance, and supports missionaries both directly and through the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship.

### An Invitation

The people of Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church invite you to commit your life to Christ as His disciple and join our congregation as a member.

Our ministers would be delighted to talk with you about making a commitment to Jesus Christ. Please see them following the end of the worship service today, or contact the church office to schedule an appointment with them.

If you would like to become a member of Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church, you may come forward during the hymn of commitment following the sermon and present yourself as a candidate for membership. We receive members 1) upon profession of faith in Christ followed by believer's baptism; 2) by transfer of membership from another Baptist church; or 3) by statement of previous Christian experience.

If you would like to discuss your decision prior to making it public or have further questions about membership in JHBC, please talk with one of our pastors after the service or contact the church office (919-776-1541).



### Church Staff:

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| Dr. Calvin Sayles, <i>Senior Pastor</i>                             | <a href="mailto:calvin.sayles@jhbc.org">calvin.sayles@jhbc.org</a>       |
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| Mrs. Kimberly Davidson, <i>Pianist</i>                              |                                                                          |
| Rev. Gilbert W. McDowell, <i>Pastor Emeritus</i>                    |                                                                          |

## WELCOME TO



*"I AM THE VINE, YOU ARE THE BRANCHES; HE WHO ABIDES IN ME AND I IN HIM, HE BEARS MUCH FRUIT, FOR APART FROM ME YOU CAN DO NOTHING."*  
JOHN 15:5

## THE LORD'S DAY DECEMBER 21, 2014 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*We are grateful that you have chosen to worship God with us today. We invite you to join us on this incredible journey of following Jesus Christ as His disciples, striving to fulfill our mission of embodying the presence of Christ to Sanford and the world through our worship, our witness, and our way of life.*

### **THE HEARING LOOP IS NOW ACTIVATED**

(See announcement for details)

*Join us each Sunday for these opportunities . . .*

**9:45 A.M. – Sunday School (Small Group Bible Study):**

*Preschoolers (1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Educational Wing)*

*Children, Youth and Adults  
(1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> floors of the Educational Wing)*

**11:00 A.M. – Worship Service (Sanctuary)**

**6:00 P.M. – Bible Study (Bullock-Matthews Room)**

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