

The Lord's Day, December 4, 2016

Second Sunday of Advent

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

Please silence all cell phones and other electronic devices.

Gathering to Worship

Music for Meditation Kimberly Morrill

With the wisdom of centuries, our tradition tells us that the journey itself is what we need as much as finally reaching that shed outside Bethlehem. It tells us to pause, to take stock, to lie on some hillside a little distant from our destination and watch the stars. It tells us to empty our hearts so that there is room in them for the birth of something new and altogether unforeseen.
- Barbara Brown Taylor

Call to Worship Shout for Joy! Sanctuary Choir

Words of Welcome Richard Wood

Worship in Song Sanctuary Choir & Congregation
Let There Be Peace on Earth

Lighting the Advent Candle of Peace Abigail and Hannah Sturm

Worship in Song #249 Congregation
O Come, All Ye Faithful

Children's Sermon Mary Hawley Oates

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 11:1-10 Mary Upchurch

Worship in Song #259 Congregation
Angels, from the Realms of Glory

Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings
Offertory Prayer
Anthem Peace, Peace Sanctuary Choir

Sermon Richard Wood
The Gifts of Christmas: Opening Peace
Matthew 3:1-12

Hymn #292 Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne Congregation

Charge and Benediction Richard Wood

Postlude Kimberly Morrill



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

Today
5 - 6 PM - Children Bible Drill (4th through 6th Grade)
5 - 6 PM - Youth Bible Drill (7 through 12 Grade)
6 PM - Lovefeast - Christmas Carols, Coffee and Sweet Rolls (McDowell Hall)

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, December 7 - Senior Adult Christmas Brunch - 11 AM in McDowell Hall. All Senior Adults are invited to join us for a special time of fellowship. We will be entertained by two cast members of the Temple Theatre's "A Christmas Carol".

"The Joy of Music" DVD of Rev. Ronnie Byrd's musical presentation will soon be available at the cost of \$10. We have a limited number of DVD's that can be sold so contact Marva Lee Roush in the church office to reserve a copy.

Apron and Hammers, Widow and Widower Ministry of JHBC - All are invited to join as we begin visiting to discover needs and desires of our widowed church members. Every Tuesday for the next 4 weeks we will meet in the hallway outside of the conference room at 10 AM for prayer and the days visiting route. Visitation will end at 12 Noon. After these weeks of discovery, the process of matching Widows with Personal Care Ministers (PCM) will begin. Contact Sandy Sayles for more information. Visiting widows and widowers these dates.

December 6 and 13

10 AM -12 Noon - Hallway outside of the Conference Room

Sunday, December 11

11 AM - 3rd Sunday of Advent

6 PM - Children's Christmas Musical "The Power of the King"
Reception to follow in McDowell Hall

Monday, December 12 - ANNOUNCER Articles Due

Saturday, December 17

7 PM - "Christmas in the Air" Sanctuary Choir Christmas Musical (Doors open at 6:15 PM)

Sunday, December 18

11 AM - 4th Sunday of Advent - The Sunday of LOVE!

3 PM - "Christmas in the Air" Sanctuary Choir Christmas Musical (Doors open at 2:15 PM)

7 PM - "Christmas in the Air" Sanctuary Choir Christmas Musical (Doors open at 6:15 PM)

DECEMBER

Unlocking, Lock Up & Security Duty

December 4 - Brenda Cowfer
December 11 - John Hall
December 18 - Lynwood Jones
December 25 - Tony Rebello

Greeters

Door 1 - Billy Walker
Door 2 - John Henry & Katie Rice
Door 3 - Kathryn Snipes

CHURCH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

9:00 - 9:45 AM Church Library Open
9:45 AM Sunday School Classes for Everyone
11:00 AM Morning Worship (Sanctuary)
(Broadcast live on WFJA 105.5 FM)
Extended Session 1 - Annette Schlitz
No Children's Worship
12:00 - 12:15 PM Church Library Open
5 - 6 PM Children Bible Drill (4th through 6th Grade)
5 - 6 PM Youth Bible Drill (7th through 12th Grade)
6 PM Lovefeast (McDowell Hall)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 5

6:30 PM Deacon's Meeting (Conference Room)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6

7:30 AM Men's Prayer Meeting
10 - 12 Noon Apron and Hammers, Widow and Widower Ministry of JHBC (Hallway)
10 - 12 Noon Benevolence Assistance

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7

11:00 AM Senior Adult Christmas Brunch (McDowell Hall)
1:30 PM Staff Meeting (Conference Room)
6 - 7:30 PM Preschool and Children's Choirs
6:15 PM Bible Study/Prayer Meeting
6:45 - 7:45 PM Youth Wednesday Night Gathering
7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

10 - 12 Noon Preschool & Children's Choirs Practice

Youth Ministry

Gift Cards for Lumberton Hurricane Relief - Our youth ministry is accepting gift cards in the range of \$10.00-25.00 for victims of Hurricane Matthew in Lumberton. If you are interested in helping out, please purchase a gift card from Food Lion, Lowe's Foods or Wal-Mart and turn it into the church office by Wednesday, December 7.

MISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING – Total Collected = \$205.00

Our goal this year is \$7,500.00.

BENEVOLENCE FUND – The 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month, our Benevolence Committee meets with numerous people seeking assistance. Our Benevolence Committee is being very good stewards of God's money when faced with making difficult decisions. Please consider making a contribution to the Benevolence Fund to help those in our community that are in need.

CITY ON A HILL MISSION – Total all donations for November - \$1,479.44

ADDITIONAL DECEMBER SPECIAL EVENTS

Wednesday, December 21

Christmas Caroling at 6:30 PM

Thursday, December 22

Church Office will be closed.

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Saturday, December 24

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service (Sanctuary)

Sunday, December 25

Christmas Day 10:30 AM Worship Service

Monday, December 26

Church Office will be closed.

BUDGET AND ATTENDANCE - November 27, 2016 (Week 13 of 52)

General Fund

Weekly Budgeted Needs	\$ 11,046.07	YTD Budget Goal	\$ 143,598.91
T/O Received	\$ 15,205.00	YTD T/O Received	\$ 112,310.28
Over Budget This Week	\$ 4,158.93	YTD Difference	\$ (31,288.63)

(2017 Budget: \$574,395.47)

(\$574,395.47/52 weeks = \$11,046.07)

Bapt. Children's Home	\$ 25.00
CBF Global Missions	\$ 5.00
Lottie Moon Offering	\$ 130.00
Vision 2017	\$ 200.00

TOTAL GIVING \$ 15,565.00

ATTENDANCE

9:45 AM Sunday School	133+7
11 AM Worship	230
PM–Hanging of the Greens	73

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 and the Southern Baptist Convention.

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:

Dr. Calvin Sayles, *Senior Pastor*
Rev. Ronnie Byrd, *Associate Pastor for Music & Education*
Rev. Richard Wood, *Associate Pastor for Family Ministry*
Mr. Richard Sistrunk, Sr., *Church Administrator*
Mrs. Marva Lee Roush, *Administrative Assistant*
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WELCOME TO



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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.

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

9:45 AM – Sunday School (Small Group Bible Study):
Preschoolers (1st floor of the Educational Wing)
Children, Youth and Adults
(1st, 2nd, 3rd floors of the Educational Wing)
11:00 AM – Worship Service (Sanctuary)
6:00 PM – Bible Study (Bullock-Matthews Room)
6:00 PM to 7:00 PM - Children's Activities (Room 105)

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

6:15 PM – Family Night Covered Dish Supper (1st Wednesday of Each Month)
6:00 PM – Children's Choirs
6:00 PM-6:45 PM 4th Wednesday Evening – Acteens
(missions group for Middle/High School Girls)
6:45 PM-7:45 PM – GA's, RA's, Mission Friends
6:15 PM – Bible Study/Prayer Meeting (Bullock-Matthews Room)
6:45 PM-7:45 PM – Youth Wednesday Night Meeting (Youth Center)
7:15 PM - Sanctuary Choir

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