

## Looking Ahead

**November 29**, 6:00 p.m. – Youth Holiday Party

**December 2**, 6:00 p.m. – Christmas Tree Lighting in AYMC

**December 4**, 11:00 a.m. – *First Friday*

**December 6**, 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. – The Second Sunday of Advent – Peace  
Advent Music with Sanctuary Choir and Brass

**December 6**, noon – Youth Christmas Shopping for A Child's Haven

**December 6**, 2:00 p.m. – Children's Christmas Caroling

**December 6**, 4:00 p.m. – Preschool Families'  
Christmas Tree Ornament Decorating

**Sunday, December 13**, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. – The Third Sunday of Advent - Love  
Youth Choir music and Communion, pre-service music by youth

**Sunday, December 13**, 5:00 – Children's Choir Christmas program with  
churchwide Christmas fellowship to follow in the Fellowship Hall  
(Bring a homemade dessert to share.)

**Wednesday, December 16**, 5:30-7:00 p.m. – Open House at Ten Thousand  
Villages for Mission Friends and Children on Mission families

**Sunday, December 20**, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. – The Fourth Sunday of Advent - Joy  
Pre-service music by Barbara and Gayle Gulley, Baptism at 11:00

**Sunday, December 20**, 6:30 p.m. – Candlelight Service of Lessons and Carols

**Thursday, December 24**, 5:00 p.m. – Christmas Eve Communion Service with  
Kyle and Susan Matthews

**Sunday, December 27**, 9:00 a.m. – Churchwide breakfast in the Fellowship Hall  
Call 233-2527 for reservations by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 16.

**Sunday, December 27**, 11:00 a.m. – The First Sunday of Christmas  
All worship together. There will be no 9:00 worship service.



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## The Worship of God Nine O'Clock November 29, 2009 The First Sunday of Advent

### Prelude Music

*The service of worship begins with music. Through its power and beauty,  
may you feel the majesty and glory of God; and in its quietness, God's peace.*

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel” *Flor Peeters*

“Of Eternal Love Begotten” *Flor Peeters*

“The Only Son From Heaven” *J.S. Bach*

“Come, Saviour of the Nations” *J.S. Bach*

“Wake, Awake! A Voice Calls to Us” *J.S. Bach*

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence” *Al Travis*

### Welcome to Worshipers

Kyle Matthews

We welcome those who are visiting with us today. Please complete a welcome card located in the pew rack, and place it in the offering plate. We hope you will consider making First Baptist Greenville your church home.

### Prayer for Our Worship

**Help us, O God, during this Advent season to prepare our hearts and minds for the coming of your Son, our Hope and our hearts' desire; in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

\*Hymn 57

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”  
(Verses 1-4 only)

VENI EMMANUEL

\*Opening Sentences

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: We light the candle of hope as a reminder that Christ came into this world as the Hope of Israel, bringing light to all people.

**People: We look for the glow of God’s light—the gift of Hope.**

Response (Hymn 57, verse 5)

VENI EMMANUEL

*O come, Desire of nations, bind*

*All peoples in one heart and mind;*

*Bid envy, strife, and quarrels cease;*

*Fill the whole world with heaven’s peace.*

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!*

New Testament Lesson

Luke 21:25-36

Michelle McClendon

The scripture may be found on page 856 of the Bible in the pew rack.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

**From Terror to Trust**

Jeff Rogers

\*Invitation Hymn 56 “Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates”

TRURO

Please come forward during the singing of this hymn if you wish to confess your faith or identify with this fellowship. A pastor will greet and receive you.

\*Offertory Scripture and Prayer

Let your faith rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Virgil Story  
(1 Corinthians 2:5)

Musical Offering

Introduction of New Members

\*Doxology (Hymn 28)

OLD 100TH

\*Sending Forth

Leader: Go in hope to love and serve the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Organ Postlude

“Saviour of the Nations, Come”

*J.S. Bach*

Hearing aid receivers are available. Please contact an usher.

\*Please stand, if able.

The organist is Charles Tompkins.

The deacon assisting in worship today is Virgil Story. Virgil is a member of the Johnson Sunday School Class and attends Friday Morning Bible Study. She also serves on the Stewardship Committee and Neighborhood Partnership.

Deacons scheduled at 9:00 are Bill Sarratt, Jim Childress, Jane Milford, and Leigh Joye.

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given by the Flower Committee in appreciation of the flower donors of First Baptist Church.

The Advent banners were designed by Charlie Pate and crafted by a committee chaired by Kathy Atkinson and including members Rachel Kerns, Charlie and Toni Pate, LuAnn Plemmons, San Dee Sheftall, Nancy Gaines, Betsy Bob Miles, Dewanda Martin, Gloria Ormsby, Nelle Burgess, Anita Flowers, Frances Nicoll, Kim Hall, Abbie Jean Poole, and Vince Alexander.

Thank you for supporting the recycling efforts of First Baptist Greenville by leaving your bulletins in the basket on one of the tables in the Narthex or Balcony as you leave worship.

**Mission and Ministry Opportunities**

For information on the many mission and ministry opportunities of First Baptist Greenville, read the *News* (the church newsletter) or visit the church Web site at [www.firstbaptistgreenville.com](http://www.firstbaptistgreenville.com).