

First Baptist Church
 Rev. Lynn A. Sullivan, Senior Pastor
 Vanessa Reed Larson, Pianist
 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
THE NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS
 December 24, 2017

9:00 PM

PRELUDE
 WORDS OF WELCOME
 Pastor Lynn

CENTERING "The Candle Song" Graham Kendrick YouTube

ADVENT AND CHRIST CANDLE LIGHTING

PASTOR: We have waited to tell this story again, even though we know the story – many have heard it before. When we remember, we enter into it again, and the story enters into our hearts in new ways. We tell it expecting that Jesus, too, will enter our hearts and our world in new ways, bringing the change – the hope, peace, joy, and love – for which we long. (*Lights the Christ Candle*)

ALL: Blessed be the name of the Lord.

*HYMN "O Come All Ye Faithful" No. 188 vs. 1-3

THE BIDDING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER Pastor Lynn

ALL: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear" No. 199 vs. 1&2

THE NINE LESSONS

1ST LESSON "God's Announcement in the Garden" Bill Beck
 CAROL "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" No. 187 v.1
 2ND LESSON "Promise to Abraham" Marian Clark
 CAROL "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" No. 186 v.5
 3RD LESSON "Birth Foretold by Isaiah" Maghen Beck
 CAROL "The First Noel" No. 205 vs. 1&2

4TH LESSON "Glory of Little Bethlehem" Faith Stewart
 CAROL "O Little Town of Bethlehem" No. 200 vs.1&2
 5TH LESSON "The Angel Gabriel" Joyce Raimondi
 VIDEO "The Angel Gabriel" Sting YouTube
 6TH LESSON "Birth of Jesus" Miranda Hunter
 SOLO "O, Holy Night" Ellie Hunter
 7TH LESSON "Shepherds" Ken Miller
 CAROL "While Shepherds Watch Their Flocks" No.197 vs. 1&3
 8TH LESSON "Wise Men" Sandra Lathrop

OFFERING There are offering plates at the back of the church and by the Court Area door for your donations to the work of our Special Interest Missionaries - David & Joyce Reed in Mexico, and Daniel & Sarah Chetti in Lebanon.

SOLO "Once Upon A Christmas" Kirby Pierce
 9TH LESSON "Mystery of the Incarnation" Pastor Lynn
 CAROL "Angels We Have Heard on High" No.206 vs. 1&4

*DEPARTING PRAYER "The Cantic of Simeon"

Pastor: Having traveled to Bethlehem together and having beheld the child, born a king, let us pray using the words of Simeon, a righteous and devout man who looked forward to the consolation of Israel and who beheld his coming:

People: Lord, let your servants now depart in peace, according to your word; for our eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of your people Israel. Amen.

*CANDLE LIGHTING AND DEPARTING CAROL
 (As flame is passed, please SUPERVISE CHILDREN and tip YOUR UNLIT candle INTO the flame)

*DEPARTING HYMN "Silent Night" No. 189





**Opportunities for
Fellowship and Service
Dec. 24th-31st**

6:30pm Informal Family Service led by Pastor Alexandra L. Freer
9:00pm Traditional Candlelight Service led by Pastor Lynn A. Sullivan

Monday



Tuesday **9:00 Bulletin info due in office**
Secretary in Office 7-12

Wednesday Secretary in Office 7-12
7:45 a.m. Prayer Time in Lounge
Pastor in Office 9am-12pm
*Exercise Group and Bible Study Group will not meet
this week.*

Thursday Secretary in Office 7-12
Pastor in Office 6pm-8pm

Friday Rummage Rooms 9-12

Saturday Rummage Rooms 9-12

Sunday December 31st- New Year's Eve

10am Worship Service
No Small Groups today

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Welcome to our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service



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