

The Worship of God

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH | LUBBOCK, TEXAS

November 27, 2022

8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

The Hanging of the Green



GATHERING MUSIC

Larry Landusky

WELCOME

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Sheryl Gallarneau

CALL TO PREPARATION

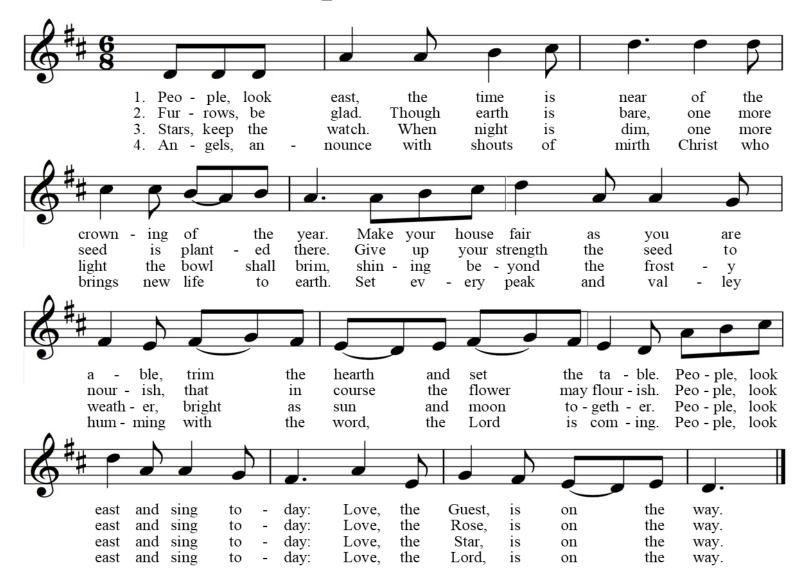
Joe Micus

Before the Marvel of This Night

by Jaroslav Vajda & Čarl Shalk Larry Landusky, piano



People, Look East



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***Invocation**

Sheryl Gallarneau



Advent Wreath



NARRATIVE

Kaycee Logsdon

THE ADVENT WREATH is a vivid symbol of preparation. The lighting of a new candle each of the four weeks before Christmas reminds us that something is happening, but more is yet to come. The circle of evergreens reminds us of the everlasting covenant offered in the birth of Jesus. The four candles symbolize HOPE, PEACE, JOY AND LOVE. Today, we light the first candle as a symbol of Christ, our HOPE. May the light sent from God shine in the darkness to show us the way of salvation.

JEREMIAH 23:5-6

Dianne Powell, Joy Vann

⁵ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE OF HOPE

Nedra Robertson, Charlene Olson

CAROL

BAUGH

Hope, Peace, Joy and Love

Hope, peace, joy, and love! These are gifts You bring from above. Jesus, Emmanuel, come to be Light of Your hope, reflected in me.





The Manger



NARRATIVE

Kaycee Logsdon

THE MANGER or crèche, is placed as a reminder that Jesus Christ was born in the humblest of places, because humankind would not make room in their heart to hold the Son of God. Jesus, who was born in the most modest beginning, has compassion on all God's children - from the humblest to the richest.

*****LUKE 2:6-7

Dianne Powell, Joy Vann

⁶While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. ⁷And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

*CAROL

MUELLER

Away in a Manger
Away in a manger, no crib for a bed;
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head. The stars in the sky looked down where He lay; The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

Be near me, Lord Jesus! I ask Thee to stay close by me forever, and love me, I pray. Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care; And fit us for heaven, to live with Thee there.



Wreaths and Garland



NARRATIVE

Sheryl Gallarneau

From ancient times, **EVERGREENS** have been considered a symbol of eternity, a sign of God's everlasting nature. Isaiah tells us that there will be no end to the reign of the Messiah. Therefore, we hang wreaths shaped in circles, and place garlands of green, as a sign of everlasting life. These are symbols of Christ's gift of eternal life and of the celebration of Christmas itself.

Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

Dianne Powell, Joy Vann

²The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. ⁶For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. ⁷His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

CAROL

STUTTGART

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Come thou long expected Jesus, born to set Thy people free; From our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in Thee. Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth Thou art; Dear desire of ev'ry nation, Joy of ev'ry longing heart.



Holly and Ivy



NARRATIVE

Kaycee Logsdon

For Christians, this passage from Isaiah reflects the sufferings of Jesus, who saved us from our sins by His death on the cross, and by His resurrection from the dead. In ancient times, **HOLLY AND IVY** were considered signs of Christ's Passion. Their prickly leaves suggest the crown of thorns, the red berries the blood of the Savior, and the bitter bark the drink offered to Jesus on the cross. As we place the holly and ivy, let us rejoice in the coming of Jesus our Savior.

Isaiah 53:3a, 4a, 5-6

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³He was despised and rejected by others; ⁴Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; ⁵But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. ⁶All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

CAROL

Staff Singers

Sans Day Carol

arranged by John Rutter

Now the holly bears a berry as white as the milk, and Mary bore Jesus, who was wrapped up in silk: and Mary bore Jesus Christ our savior for to be, and the first tree in the greenwood, it was the holly!

Now the holly bears a berry as green as the grass, and Mary bore Jesus, who died on the cross: and Mary bore Jesus Christ our savior for to be, and the first tree in the greenwood, it was the holly!

Now the holly bears a berry as black as the coal, and Mary bore Jesus, who died for us all: and Mary bore Jesus Christ our savior for to be, and the first tree in the greenwood, it was the holly!

Now the holly bears a berry, as blood is it red, then trust we our savior, who rose from the dead: and Mary bore Jesus Christ our savior for to be, and the first tree in the greenwood, it was the holly!



Poinsettia



NARRATIVE

Sheryl Gallarneau

THE POINSETTIA speaks to us symbolically in several ways. The star-shaped formation of the leaves calls to mind the star which shone that first Christmas. In a less joyous sense, the color of the flower is blood red, reminding of the male infants killed because King Herod wanted to eliminate any threat to his throne. We sometimes forget this part of the story, which made it necessary for Mary, Joseph, and the Christ Child to flee to Egypt.

Numbers 24:17

Dianne Powell, Joy Vann

¹⁷I see him, but not now; I behold him, but not near—a star shall come out of Jacob, and a scepter shall rise out of Israel; it shall crush the borderlands of Moab, and the territory of all the Shethites.

THE MORNING OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Charley Camp, Harvey Morton

OFFERTORY

Larry Landusky

Greensleeves

harmonized by John Stainer (1840-1901) arranged by Mark Hayes



The Cedar



NARRATIVE

Kaycee Logsdon

In times past **THE CEDAR** was revered as the tree of royalty. It also signified immortality, and was used for purification. We place the cedar in the worship hall as a symbol of Christ, who reigns as King forever, and whose coming will purify our hearts.

MICAH 5:2, 4

Dianne Powell, Joy Vann

² But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. ⁴And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth;

CAROL BRING A TORCH

Love Will Come

Love will come, a light in the darkness! Love will shine in the Bethlehem skies. See all heaven will come to proclaim, hear how their song of joy will rise: Love! Love! Born unto you, a Savior! Love! Glory to God on High

Love will come and never leave us! Love is life everlasting and free. Love is Jesus within and among us. Love is the peace our hearts are seeking. Love! Love! Love is the gift of Christmas. Love! Love! Praise to you, God on high!

HOMILY Jake Maxwell

*CAROL OF RESPONSE O Little Town of Bethlehem

ST. LOUIS

O Little town of Bethlehem, How still we see thee lie! Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by; Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting Light; The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

O holy Child of Bethlehem! Descend to us, we pray; Cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today! We hear the Christmas angels The great glad tidings tell; O come to us, abide with us, Our Lord, Emmanuel!



Tree Lighting



*****NARRATIVE

Sheryl Gallarneau

As our final preparation for the coming of Jesus, the Light of the World, we will light the **Chrismon tree.** And in this time of Advent, whenever you see a lighted tree, let it call to mind the One who brings light into our darkness, healing in our brokenness, and peace to all who will receive Him. May this tree remind us of the life-giving Christ that we may always rejoice in the new life that shines in our hearts.

*****John 1:1-5, 9-14

Dianne Powell, Joy Vann

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. ⁵ The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. ¹⁰ He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. ¹¹ He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. ¹² But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, ¹³ who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

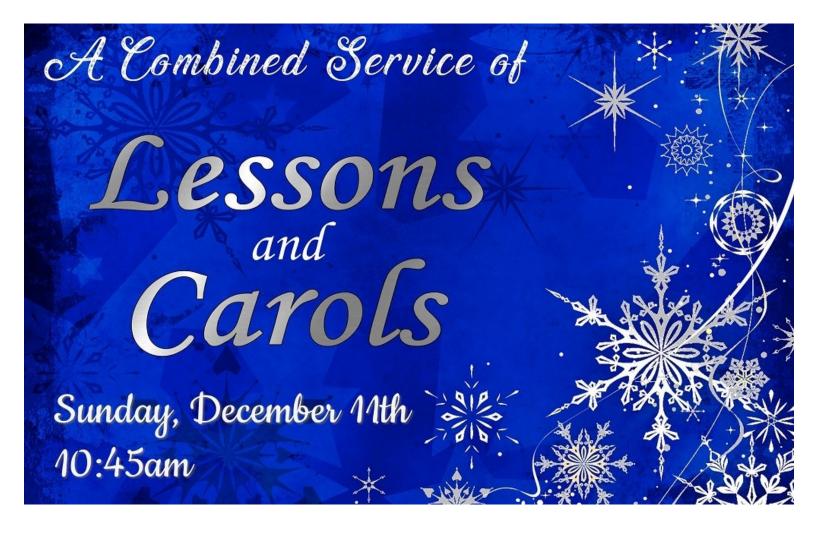
CAROL

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O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

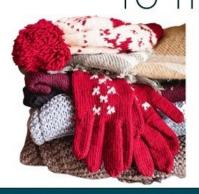
O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel; That mourns in lonely exile here, until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

O come, Thou Dayspring, come and cheer our spirits by Thine advent here Disperse the gloomy clouds of night, and death's dark shadows put to flight. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel!





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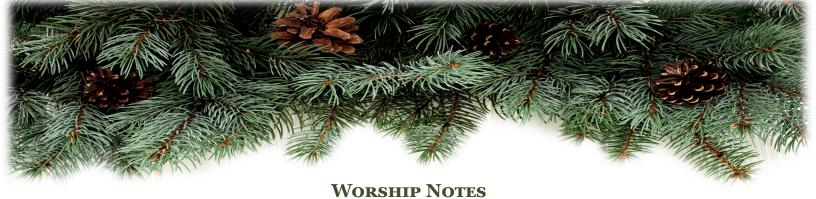
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Christmas Carol Ging

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WORSHIP HALL

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LISTENING DEVICES are available. Please ask an usher for assistance as you enter the sanctuary for worship.

Instructions for Children's Time: All boys and girls are invited to come forward for this special worship opportunity. Following Children's Time, children ages 4-5 years are invited to attend Preschool Praise in Room 102 of the Children's Wing.

Please place **prayer cards** and **tithes** in the box on the wall at either end of the Worship Hall.

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- 1. By confessing their faith in Jesus Christ and being baptized.
- 2. By transferring their membership from another Christian church.

If you are ready to make one of these decisions, please come forward during the hymn of response and share that decision with the pastor. If you wish to visit with a pastor about becoming a Christian, joining Second Baptist Church, or any other spiritual decision, pastors will be available in the foyer following the worship service or in the church office during the week.

WELCOME! TO THE FAMILY!

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* Those who are able are invited to stand

†10:45 a.m. worship service only

Every Member a Minister

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