

\*Hymn 76 *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

Children's Time

Pastoral Prayer Dr. Walter Draughon

\*Offertory Hymn 77 *Come, thou Long-Expected Jesus*

Offertory Prayer Dennis Hare

Offertory *Angels We Have Heard On High*  
Jackie Crum, pianist

\*The Doxology 253 OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow: Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

Choral Message *One King* Allen

Message Dr. Walter Draughon

*"The Man Who Missed Christmas"*  
*Luke 2:7, 21:36*

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL**

\*Hymn 82 *Emmanuel*

Congregational Blessing and Benediction Dr. Walter Draughon

Postlude *Gabriel's Message* Manz

**\*Congregation Stands**

**Scripture Reading: Luke 2:7; Pew Bible Page 1026**

<sup>7</sup>And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

**Scripture Reading: Luke 21:36; Pew Bible Page 1056**

<sup>36</sup>Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.

**Notes:**

**Announcements**

**Deacon of the Week:** Dennis Hare

- Our **Annual Christmas Dinner** will be this evening, at 6 p.m. To help offset costs, a donation of \$10 per person and \$5 per child. We hope you will join us for an evening of fellowship and fun.
- This year's **Children's Christmas Pageant** is on December 10 at 4 p.m. Soup will be served afterward in Rosser Hall. Rehearsal is on December 9 at 10 a.m., followed by the **Children's Christmas party** at 11:30 a.m. with a \$5 gift exchange and an hour of jumping at Just Jump.
- The church's **Annual Business Meeting** will be held on Wednesday, December 13, 2017, at 6 p.m. The agenda for that meeting as required in our Church's By-Laws is to adopt the 2018 Budget, to elect church officers for 2018, and to receive a report from the Ministry Team relative to team membership, etc.
- The Hannah Sunday School class will be decorating the tree outside the sanctuary with hats, scarves, gloves, and socks for the needy. Donations are needed to help keep it stocked. If you would like to participate, donations may be dropped off in the Hannah classroom. This is a great opportunity to minister to those in need in our community.
- **It's a Boy!** Congratulations to Kristin and Preston McMurray who are expecting a baby boy, Luke, near the end of December. The Shower Team has set up a basket in the church office where you may drop off gift cards or gifts for the McMurrays. Cards to Target and BabiesRUs for diapers and other supplies are always appreciated.

**\*\*\*This Week's Prayer For the Pastor Search Team\*\*\***

Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 33:3

'Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.'

**Prayer Prompt:** Pray that a burden for deep and urgent prayer permeates the church not only as you seek God's will for a pastor; but also as you seek God's vision for the church.

**For the Record November 26, 2017**

<b>Weekly Budget Needs</b>	\$ 9,373.00
<b>Giving This Week</b>	\$6,194.00
<b>Giving This Week Last Year</b>	\$5,990.00
<b>Budget Needs to Date</b>	\$428,344.00
<b>Giving to Date</b>	\$432,810.00
<b>Giving to Date Last Year</b>	\$419,792.00
<b>Giving to Date vs. Budget Needs to Date</b>	\$4,466.00
<b>Capital Campaign Total Pledged</b>	\$246,914.00
<b>Capital Campaign- Giving to Date</b>	\$155,658.00

Extended Session for December 10

**Babies During Church**  
May Tabor and Phyllis Dye

**Twos-Fives**  
Linda Stanley and Debbie Gwaltney  
**Elementary-Aged Sunday School**  
Tabetha Palumbo and Emma Crussell  
**Elementary-Aged Children's Church**  
Tabetha Palumbo and Emma Crussell

If you would like to place a poinsettia in the sanctuary during the Christmas season, please fill in the information below. Cost of each poinsettia is \$15.

In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

## Calendar

### Wednesday, December 6

Dinner: creamy chicken soup, cornbread, salad, mixed berry cobbler 5 p.m.  
 Light Meal: soup & salad  
 Prayer & Bible Study 6 p.m.  
 Children/Youth Activities 6-6:50 p.m.

### Saturday, December 9

Children's Pageant Rehearsal 10 a.m.  
 Children's Christmas Party 11:30 a.m.

### Sunday, December 10

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
 Worship 11 a.m.  
 Children's Christmas Pageant 4 p.m.

### Wednesday, December 13

Dinner: pork loin w/peach sauce, green peas, mac n cheese, rolls 5 p.m.  
 cookies and ice cream  
 Light Meal: sliced pork, sweet potato  
 Annual Business Meeting 6 p.m.  
 Children/Youth Activities 6-6:50 p.m.

## Welcome to FBC!

Thanks for joining our worship today! Please take a moment to fill out the registration form below as we value your time with us. Detach the form and place it in the offering plate when it is passed, or give it to a greeter or minister.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. #: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

This is your . . . . Date: \_\_\_\_\_

- First time to attend  
 Attend often

### Age Range or School Grade of Family Members (please circle):

26-32                      33-42                      43-54                      55 & up  
 Pre-K   K   1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8   9   10   11   12   College

- Would you like to receive more information about FBC?  
 Would you like a visit from one of our ministers?

Prayer Requests: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Welcome

We gladly welcome you to worship, and we pray that this service will be a time in which you experience the presence of the risen Christ.



Several portable audio headsets are available for use. These FM units allow you to receive sound directly from the speaker's microphone with clarity.

## Children

While children are certainly welcome to sit with their parents in the service, childcare is provided for children ages birth through kindergarten. For elementary-age children, there is a designated time for children to come to the front of the sanctuary and listen to a children's message. Then they will have the option to go for "Children's Time," a program of worship/learning activities, or remain in the worship service with their family.

Also, children's activity sheets are available for all children who remain in the sanctuary. Just pick up a clipboard with the "Kids Bulletin" and pencil from the basket in the sanctuary foyer. When your child finishes the activity sheet, remove it, and return the clipboard to the foyer.

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## Church Staff

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To contact the church office or one of the ministers via email use the following email address: [office@fbcbristol.org](mailto:office@fbcbristol.org)

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December 3, 2017

11 a.m.

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude *O Come, O Come, Immanuel* Varner

Welcome to Worship David Hicks

\*Song of Welcome *For He Alone Is Worthy*

*O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,  
 O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!*

Invocation & The Lord's Prayer David Hicks

*Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
 Thy kingdom come,  
 Thy will be done in 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.*

## ADVENT SEASON!

THE SEASON OF ADVENT  
 A TIME OF JOYFUL EXPECTATION AND PREPARATION

One of the most beautiful symbols of the Advent season is that of the lighted candle. The lighted candle has always meant for us the special presence of Christ. During our Advent season, it has become customary in our church to use the Advent wreath as a sign of our watching and waiting in joyful hope of the coming of our Savior.

## First Sunday of Advent – the Candle of HOPE

David, April, Tripp, Nic, & Britt Crockett

Mark 13:33-37