THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST TRYON

Sunday, December 10	9:30	am	Coffee and Catch-Up
	10:00	am	Sunday School
	11:00	am	Worship
	3:00	pm	Christmas Caroling
Monday, December 11	11:00	am	WMU Christmas Luncheon
Tuesday, December 12	5:30	pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	6:30	pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday, December 6	6:00	pm	Sisterhood, Gathering Space

Join us this afternoon at 3pm for Christmas caroling. We'll end the night with a meal at El Sureno.

We have hearing devices available for worship in the narthex. Please ask a greeter for assistance.

ADVENT SCHEDULE

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Dec 3	First Sunday of Advent, HOPE Annual Christmas Meal, Sunnydale, 5pm
Dec 10	Second Sunday of Advent, PEACE Christmas Caroling, 3pm
Dec 17	Third Sunday of Advent, JOY Lessons and Carols, 11am Choir & Handbell Party at Wendi's, 5pm Youth Christmas Party, 5pm
Dec 24	Fourth Sunday of Advent, LOVE No Sunday School Piano and Communion, 11am* *This service will last approximately 30 minutes Christmas Eve Worship, 5pm
Dec 31	First Sunday of Christmas, 11am No Sunday School
Jan 7	Epiphany Sunday

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December 3, 2023

Weekly Ministry Plan Giving	\$ 10,641	Capital Campaign	\$ 240
Weekly Ministry Plan Goal	\$ 8,322	Food Pantry	\$ 25
YTD Ministry Plan Giving	\$382,019	Blessing Box	\$ 50
YTD Plan Goal	\$407,778	Kathy's Kids	\$ 275
		Lottie Moon	\$ 520

Total Received for Capital Campaign (through November) \$1,210,978.87 Remaining balance on Construction Loan \$227,697.04

Welcome! We are grateful to worship with you today.

If you are a guest, we hope you will experience God's love through our worship and among our congregation.

Nursery is provided during church for children ages 0-2, and Children's Church is provided for children ages 3 to 5.

Children's Church begins after the Children's Time.

Light refreshments are available in the Gathering Space after worship.

December Mission Focus—Kathy's Kids

Kathy's Kids is a personal ministry designed to help needy children from Tryon Elementary School who may not receive a gift this year. You are invited to shop for a child by choosing a card with their name, and their information is on the front of the card. Gifts should be left unwrapped and returned to the church no later than December 10 (before the children go on Christmas break). If you'd like to support the mission but don't wish to shop for a child, you may make a donation with Kathy's Kids in the memo. Thank you for your love and generosity on behalf of Kathy's Kids.

GREETERS

Lane and Merry Price, Sanctuary Door Justin and Andrea Lay, Lobby Entrances

OFFERING

Keith Collins (Lead Deacon), Susan Smith Di Greene, Ellis Fincher Jr.

> NURSERY WORKERS Andrea Lay and Linda Fincher

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Di Greene

ACOLYTES

Katie Benedict and Gabriel McKaig

DIACONATE

Ellis Fincher Jr., Lane Price, Susan Smith, Di Greene, Rachel Hawkins, Phil Scoggins, Justin Lay, Beth McCallister, Alice Tennant

CHURCH STAFF

The Reverend Dr. Jeff C. Harris, Pastor Wendi Arms, Minister of Music Kay Greene, Pianist E. Leslie Raymond, Organist John Spinks, Sexton

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH TRYON, NC



DECEMBER 10, 2023

ELEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

PEACE

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH AT WORSHIP SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 10, 2023

Eleven O'clock

Music for Gathering

Kay Greene

Welcome and Passing of the Peace

Jeff Harris

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

Trinity Ring

John Spinks

Call to Worship

Jeff Harris

O come, Thou Dayspring, come and cheer our spirits by Thine advent here.

Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!

Truly he taught us to love one another; His law is love and his gospel is peace.

Holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty,

who was and is and is to come! Peace on earth, and mercy mild;

God and sinners reconciled! Holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!

Voluntary

Still, Still, Still

-Mansfield

BAUGH

Lighting the Candle of Peace

Bear, Stefanie, and Hudson Tyler

Choral Response 80 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 peace, reflected in me.

Invocation

Tommy Richardson

†Hymn 83, Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus **HYFRYDOL** Children are invited to come forward during the last stanza.

"Mr. Skip" Williams

Kindergartners and preschoolers may leave for Children's Church after the Children's Time.

Isaiah 40:1-11 Rhys Jackson

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God.

Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid,

that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

A voice cries out:

'In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain.

Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.'

A voice says, 'Cry out!' And I said, 'What shall I cry?' All people are grass,

their constancy is like the flower of the field.

The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the Lord blows upon it; surely the people are grass.

The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand for ever.

Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah,

'Here is your God!' See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.

He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

II Peter 3:8-15a, p. 186 The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Douglas Henderson

Olivia Downey

Mark 1:1-8, p. 27 The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

All On a Starry Night -Graham/Williams Anthem

Jeff Harris

"The Patience of God" Sermon

-arr. Berry

Meditation and Offertory Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

†Advent Doxology

THE FIRST NOWELL

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel! Born is the King of Israel.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer **Jeff Harris** 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory for ever. Ămen.

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing †Hymn 127, MENDELSSOHN Those making decisions of faith, renewals of faith, or desiring to unite with our church through membership, may come forward at this time.

†Benediction

Jeff Harris

†Choral Response 120

Emmanuel

MCGEE

-Barr

See, Amid the Winter's Snow Postlude

†Please stand if you are able.