

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 29, 2009

1st Sunday of Advent

### GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Stacey Simpson Duke

### VOLUNTARY

Chorale Prelude on "Lasst Uns Erfreuen"

- *Healey Willan*

### \*INVOCATION

Cindy Harrison

### \*HYMN

Lord of the coming glorious day

*LASST UNS ERFREUEN*

(The receiving of Prayer Concern cards)

Lord of the coming glorious Day,  
Hear now your people as we pray.

O Creator! Great Redeemer!  
Creation, weeping for the dawn,  
Groans in travail to be reborn.

Rend the darkness, shine upon us!  
Bring salvation, hope of nations!  
Come, Lord Jesus!

Come, Lord of justice, re-create  
Rough places plain, the crooked straight.

Be our cleansing, our repenting.  
Turn, turn your people from the wrong.  
Lift, lift the long-forgotten song.

O Revealer, blessed Healer,  
Touch and save us, liberate us!  
Come, Lord Jesus!

Come, Spirit, stir us to the way,  
Bearing the light of coming Day.  
Be our passion, gleaming Vision!  
Send us to serve the Prince of Peace.  
Through us the light of love increase.

Give us courage for the calling.  
Let our shining hail the Morning!  
Come, Lord Jesus!

And when the Day shall come at last,  
Joined with the saints from ages past,  
Love's pure beaming on us streaming,  
Tears shall be ended with the night!  
Joy shines eternal in the Light!

Alleluia, Alleluia!  
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Come, Lord Jesus!

### \*RESPONSIVE READING

Leader: The Day of Christ is coming; lift up your voices. Cry out with the strength God provides.

People: We await God's coming Day with anticipation. We seek the peace and patience only God can give.

Leader: Comfort, comfort my people, says our God; speak tenderly to my suffering people.

All: We will prepare the way for the One who is coming. We will awake and seek the righteousness of God.

### \*GLORIA (Hymnal, 72)

Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, Gloria! Alleluia! Alleluia! (sung twice)

### LIGHTING OF THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE

David, Julie, and Genevieve Peale

Response: 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.

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Paul Simpson Duke

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

### ANTHEM

*E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come*

- *Paul Manz*

Peace be to you and grace from him  
Who freed us from our sins,  
Who loved us all and shed his blood  
That we might saved be.

Sing holy, holy to our Lord,  
The Lord, Almighty God,  
Who was and is and is to come;  
Sing holy, holy, Lord!

Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein,  
Rejoice on earth, ye saints below,  
For Christ is coming, is coming soon,  
For Christ is coming soon!

E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come,  
And night shall be no more;  
They need no light nor lamp nor sun,  
For Christ will be their all!

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Stacey Simpson Duke

### \* GOSPEL READING

Luke 21:29-36

Cindy Harrison

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

### TIME AS CHILDREN

Sue Ellen Glover

### \*HYMN 626

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

*PICARDY*

(Preschool – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade may leave for Children's Worship or Tiny Grace Notes at this time.)

### SERMON

*It Will Be Right At Last*

Paul Simpson Duke

### SILENT REFLECTION

### OFFERING OF GIFTS

The Old Hundredth Psalm Tune

-- *R. Vaughan Williams*

All people that on earth do dwell,  
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;  
Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,  
Come ye before him, and rejoice.

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed,  
Without our aid he did us make;  
We are his folk, he doth us feed,  
And for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise,  
Approach with joy his courts unto;  
Praise, laud, and bless his name always,  
For it is seemly so to do.

For why? The Lord our God is good;  
His mercy is forever sure;  
His truth at all times firmly stood,  
And shall from age to age endure.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
The God whom heaven and earth adore,  
From men and from the angel host  
Be praise and glory ever more. Amen.

\*HYMN 196                      Come, thou long-expected Jesus                      *HYFRYDOL*

**BENEDICTION**

**VOLUNTARY**                      Toccata                      - *Georgy Mushel*

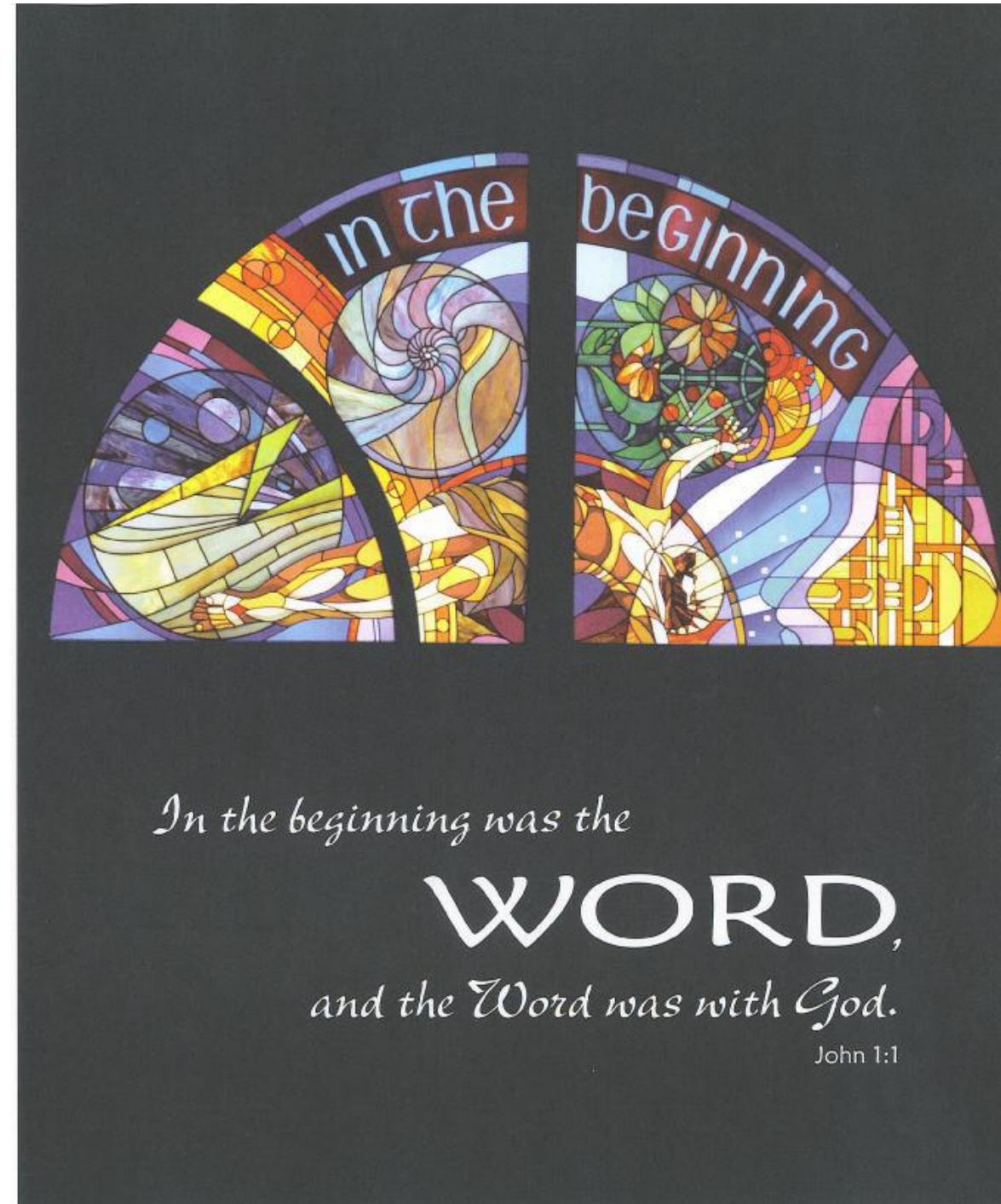
\* If you are able, please stand

*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God  
and in loving memory of Lloyd Crabtree  
~ Lois Crabtree ~*

*The Prayer Concern Cards are for your use. If you have a prayer concern in addition to those listed here, please fill out a card and pass it to the end of the aisle during the first hymn. We pray for Ron Tipton, Lynn Blunt, John Moyer, Lorrie Schleg, Bill Kerr, Ruth Loring, Elizabeth Lee, Conrad Juchartz, Bonnie Jensen, Alice Weaver, Mildred MacGregor, Marjorie Shannon, Dottie Casler, Ethan Wright and Carol Griffin.*

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The Reverend James Middleton, *Pastor Emeritus*



### Advent Devotionals And Resources

The time before Christmas can be stressful! To make this season more meaningful and more focused on the coming of Christ, the Board of Christian Education is offering Advent resources for all ages: fun activities and calendars for children and families to use in counting down the days to Jesus' birthday as well as daily devotionals for Youth and adults. We also encourage you to check out the website <http://www.adventconspiracy.org/> where we are shown ways to *worship fully, spend less, give more and love all* as we honor this holy season of Advent.

### Alternative Fair Concessions

The Youth are sponsoring a food concession at the Alternative Fair, with all profits donated to our Sister Church in Nandasmo. Your donations of food will help keep our expenses low so we have more to donate. Please sign up at the Information Counter and bring your food in by December 6.

### Cooks Needed for The Gathering

Volunteers are needed to cook meals for our campus ministry program, The Gathering. This is a much-appreciated ministry of hospitality for students who are away from home and don't often get a home-cooked meal. Please sign up at the Information Counter and take an instruction sheet with you.

### Readings for next Sunday, December 6th

Malachi 3:1-4 – Luke 1:68-79 – Philippians 1:3-11 – Luke 3:1-6

### Flu Prevention

We shake a lot of hands on Sundays! Let's work to prevent the spread of the flu in the congregation. Information sheets regarding flu prevention can be found at the Information Desk on Sunday or in the office Mon-Friday. Hand sanitizer is available at both entrances to the sanctuary, Information Desk, on the tables in the classroom wing and in the Fellowship Hall.

### Alternative Holiday Fair Next Sunday!

Remember to save some of your shopping for December 6 at the Alternative Holiday Fair immediately after worship. We will be setting up on Saturday night so that the event can begin early. Invite your friends who attend other churches to stop by on their way home.

# Announcements

We warmly welcome all those who have come to worship with us today! Everyone is invited to join the events listed in this insert. Immediately following the service, please join us downstairs in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments.

TODAY, Nov 29	10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Tuesday, Dec 1	5:30 p.m. - Vespers (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 p.m. - Board of Outreach (Conference Room)
Wednesday, Dec 2	1:30 p.m. - Bible Study (Lounge)
	5:30 p.m. - The Gathering (Campus Center)
Thursday, Dec 3	6:30 p.m. - Handbell Rehearsal (Handbell Room)
	7:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal (Room 102B)
Saturday, Dec 5	4:30 p.m. - Alternative Holiday Fair Set-up
Sunday, Dec 6	10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	11:00 a.m. - Alternative Holiday Fair (Fellowship Hall)

Nursery Care is available on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor from 9:30–12:30 a.m.

### Pledge Drive 2010

Pledges for the 2010 Pledge Campaign have started to arrive --- and they show promise. We have new pledgers, upticks in a number of pledges, and others, who are unable to increase their pledge for this coming year, stay consistent with what they pledged last year. As mentioned, we have a significant challenge this year, but the church, realizing that, is stepping forward. A "thank you" to all, then, who have submitted your pledge. All members and friends of First Baptist are invited to pledge your support for 2010. Pledge cards and electronic-payment forms are available at the Information Counter.

-- David Cave, Chair, 2010 Pledge Drive

### Food Collection

The Boards of Christian Education and Mission Action are sponsoring a food drive for our friends at Hikone housing. The Christmas holiday break is very tough on low income children – they are not in school so they do not receive their free lunches and breakfasts, the Community Center is not open, Food Gatherers does not deliver, and the food stamps are running out because it's the end of the month. Please help us gather a truck-load of food by December 20. We are looking especially for kid-friendly nonperishable food such as macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, cereal, soup, oatmeal packets, juice/milk boxes, plastic containers of juice, tuna, canned pasta, breakfast granola bars, fruit cups and cans, etc. We will also accept monetary donations which will be used to purchase milk and bread on the day of the delivery.

## Children and Youth Christian Education

All children are welcome to worship with their families. After the Time as Children portion of the worship service, preschoolers may go to the nursery for childcare and children in Kindergarten – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade are invited to Children's Worship.

### K – 2nd<sup>h</sup> grade

10:30 – 11:10 Children's Worship (Room 202A)

11:10 – 11:30 Children's Choirs (Rooms 202A)

11:30 – 12:30 Church School (Room 202B)

### 3rd – 6th grades

10:00 – 11:00 Worship

11:10 – 11:50 Children's Choirs (Rooms 202A & 102)

11:50 – 12:30 Church School (Room 201B)

### Youth (7th – High School)

10:00 – 11:00 Worship

11:00 – 12:30 Church School (Room 107)

(11:10 – 11:50 Jr. Choir)

## Children's Music & Arts Ministry

Jr. Handbells..... 9:15 – 9:45 (Room 306)

Children's Choirs (all ages)....11:10 – 11:30 (Room 202A)

Older Choir will continue until 11:50 (Room 102)

## Adult Christian Education (11:30 – 12:30)

### **Sermon Discussion**

**(Lounge)**

Bill Foster leads a discussion of this morning's scriptures and sermon.

### **Young Adult Class**

**Room 108**

This class consists of conversational Bible study and is devoting its first months to discussing the letter to the Philippians and its application to our living. "Young adult" is defined as mid-twenties to 40(ish!). (Paul and Stacey Simpson Duke, facilitators)

## Other Adult Learning Opportunities

### **Wednesday Bible Study**

**(Memorial Lounge, 1:30 – 2:30)**

First Corinthians is the study material for the Wednesday Bible Study class meeting this Fall with the leadership of Ron Tipton. Because Paul often discusses the same topic in

different sections of the letter we are studying the letter by topics rather than a verse-by-verse study.

On December 2, when we'll discuss "wisdom and folly" which are included in Chapters 1 and 3.

## **Small Groups (ChristCare)**

Centered on Bible study, fellowship, mission, prayer and worship, we currently have two groups: one which meets monthly and the other which meets every other week. See Stacey, Paul or Sue Ellen for more information about joining a group.

## Warm Clothing Collection

The children in the Kindergarten – sixth grade church school classes are collecting warm clothing for our friends at Vespers. Hats, gloves, socks, scarves and long underwear are especially needed as are your gently used coats. Other items such as toiletries and individual tissue packs are also appreciated. Please bring your donations to the basket near the Information Counter.

## Calendar Sale

Once again, the children (K-6<sup>th</sup> grade) are selling calendars to raise scholarship money for students to attend our Sister Church's school in Nandasmo, Nicaragua. We know you get many free calendars in the mail but these are heavy-weight, beautifully photographed calendars which have a great surface for writing down your appointments and activities. Plus there are scriptures for inspiration each time you glance at the calendar during your busy schedule! At \$8 they are a real deal compared to other heavy-weight calendars found in stores and these calendars make great gifts! The children will sell them before and after worship, or you may contact Sue Ellen and she will mail you one (or two or three).

## Team Nandasmo 2.0

At the end of December, three of our Youth (Marissa, Jack and Cameron) will travel to our Sister Church in Nandasmo, Nicaragua. *Team Nandasmo 2.0* is half-way towards earning the money that is needed to cover travel expenses in Nicaragua, food and lodging. If you would like to support our three teens (and the two adult chaperones) there are special envelopes available at the Information Counter for your gifts. Thank you!