

THE LORD'S DAY

December 26, 2021 11:00 a.m. https://www.ballantynepres.com/webcast

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;

To all who mourn and long for comfort;

To all who struggle and desire victory;

To all who sin and need a Savior;

To all who are strangers and want fellowship;

To all who hunger and thirst for righteousness;

And to whoever will come —

This church opens wide her doors

And offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INSTRUMENTAL INTROIT

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Luke 1:68-69

Leader: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has visited and redeemed his people!

All: He has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David!

Angels We Have Heard on High

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Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests. Luke 2:14



PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Scots Confession

Holy God, You created us in Your likeness, but through original sin, the image of God was utterly defaced in man, and we became by nature hostile to God, slaves to Satan, and servants to sin. And thus everlasting death has had, and shall have, power and dominion over all who have not been, are not, or shall not be born from above. This rebirth is wrought by the power of the Holy Ghost creating in the hearts of God's chosen ones an assured faith in the promise of God revealed to us in His Word; by this faith we grasp Christ Jesus with the graces and blessings promised in Him. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 103:10-12

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE IN SONG

Trinity Hymnal No. 224

Go, Tell It On the Mountain (v. 3)

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere; go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

Down in a lowly manger our humble Christ was born, and God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn.

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Micah 5:2-5a, ESV page 779

THE CONFESSION OF FAITH: The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE GLORIA PATRI

Trinity Hymnal No. 734

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen, Amen.

THE PRAYER FOR CHURCH AND WORLD

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

INSTRUMENTAL ANTHEM

While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks

There were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. Luke 2:8



- 5. Thus spake the seraph, and forthwith appeared a shining throng of angels praising God, who thus addressed their joyful song, addressed their joyful song:
- 6. "All glory be to God on high, and to the earth be peace; good will henceforth, from heav'n to men, begin and never cease, begin and never cease!"

THE PREACHED WORD OF GOD

Dr. Mantle Nance

Luke 2:8-20

"Glory to God in The Highest!", ESV page 857

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Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

A great company of the heavenly host [was] praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests." Luke 2:13, 14 1. Hark! the her - ald an-gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born King; 2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord! Sun of Righ- teous- ness! 3. Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the rec - on - ciled!" peace on earth, and mer-cy mild, God and sin ners Vir - gin's womb. Late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of the ris'n with heal - ing in his wings. Light and life to all he brings, Joy - ful, na-tions, rise, the tri - umph of the skies; all ye join hail th'in - car - nate Veiled in flesh the God-head see; De - i - ty, Mild his glo - ry by, born that man no more may die, he lays pro- claim, "Christ is in Beth - le - hem!" born th'an - gel - ic host to dwell, Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el. pleased as man with men them sec - ond birth. born raise the sons of earth, born to give to 「 REFRAIN "Glo - ry Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, to the new-born King."

* BENEDICTION

* Doxology

Trinity Hymnal No. 731

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

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^{*} Congregation Standing

SERMON NOTES

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offering plates will be passed during morning worship. Below are additional ways to give:

ONLINE: http://www.ballantynepres.com/giving/

MAIL: Please mail any tithes and offering checks (no cash) to the treasurer's home address and he will ensure the funds are deposited into the church's account: Matt Spear BPC Treasurer, 1722 Tanglebriar Court, Weddington, NC 28104

THIS SUNDAY AT BPC

No Sunday School or Evening Worship

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship – In Person and Live Streamed https://www.ballantynepres.com/webcast

THIS WEEK

Dec. 27-31 No Prayer Meeting, Youth Group, or Bible Study; Offices closed

SAVE THE DATES

Dec. 26 No Sunday School; No Evening Worship

Dec. 27-31 No Prayer Meeting, Youth Group, or Bible Study

Jan. 4 & 18 Young Adults meet at Kennedy's on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7 p.m.

Jan. 16 Sanctity of Human Life Sunday; Special guests from Queen City Pregnancy Resource Center

CHURCH FINANCIAL UPDATE

10/31/21	Actual	Budget	Variance
Income-Gifts	\$393,559	\$283,857	\$109,702
Expenses	\$272,508	\$283,857	\$11,349
Net Income-Deficit	\$121,051	\$0	\$121,051

SESSION				
Dr. Mantle Nance	Senior Minister	980-329-8458		
Mr. Tim Ball	Elder	803-323-9031		
Mr. Kenneth Jackson	Missions	704-604-0331		
Dr. Brian Jerby	Women's Ministry	704-574-0678		
Mr. Dennis Kachmarsky	Clerk	704-996-9561		
Mr. Bob Stone	Personnel	704-442-0109		
Mr. Mark Seeley	Elder Emeritus			
DIACONATE				
Mr. Sam Bullard	Mercy	704-451-1569		
Mr. Rob Kelley	Building/ Grounds	704-907-5474		
Mr. Keith Kowadlo	Men's Ministry	704-618-6181		
Mr. Tim Teague	Clerk	704-770-1421		
Mr. Dan Tubaugh	Finance	704-989-7200		
STAFF				
Miss Aimee Jobe	Pianist	803-389-5395		
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Mr. Michael Moon	Intern	828-989-7356		
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Miss Phoebe Pritchett	Women's Ministry	770-823-2508		
Mr. Matt Spear	Treasurer	704-301-0524		
MISSIONARIES AND SUPPORTED MINISTRIES				
Scott & Victoria Andes	RUF International - USC	Columbia, SC		
*John & Mary Ann Baber	RUF - UNCC	Charlotte, NC		
Michael and Laura Cochran	World Witness	England		
Drew & Lauren Goodman	World Witness	Sully, Wales		
Josh & Ashley Grimm	RUF - Queens	Charlotte, NC		
Queen City Pregnancy Resource Ctr.	1505 E. 4th Street	Charlotte, NC		
John & Judy Lehner	Serge for Spain	Charlotte, NC		
Rob & Rachel Turner	Arsenal Hill Presbyterian	Columbia, SC		
Michael & Lauren Wenzler	RUF - CSU	Ft. Collins, CO		
Justin & M. Westmoreland	Trinity Presbyterian Ch.	Norman, OK		

SHARING THE LOVE OF THE FATHER, THE GRACE OF HIS SON, AND THE FELLOWSHIP OF HIS SPIRIT IN BALLANTYNE AND BEYOND.

*Missionary of the Month