



BALLANTYNE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

December 10, 2023

6:00 p.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.

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

John 8:12

Leader: Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world.

All: Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

*** HYMN OF PRAISE**

Trinity Hymnal

O Come, All Ye Faithful

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Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about. Luke 2:15

1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant,
2. God of God, Light of Light;
3. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing:

O come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem; come and be - hold him
lo, he ab - hors not the Vir - gin's womb: ver - y God, be -
sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove; glo - ry to God
Je - sus, to thee be all glo - ry giv'n; Word of the Fa - ther,

REFRAIN

born the King of an - gels;
got - ten, not cre - a - ted; O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let
in the high - est;
late in flesh ap - pear - ing;

us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.

* INVOCATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 1:1-18, ESV page 886

HYMN OF ADORATION

Trinity Hymnal

O Splendor of God's Glory Bright

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In him was life, and that life was the light of men. John 1:4

1. O Splen - dor of God's glo - ry bright, from light e -
2. Come, ver - y Sun of heav - en's love, in last - ing
3. And now to you our pray'rs as - cend, O Fa - ther,
4. Con - firm our will to do the right, and keep our

ter - nal bring - ing light, O Light of light, light's
ra - diance from a - bove, and pour the Ho - ly
glo - rious with - out end; we plead with Sov - ereign
hearts from en - vy's blight; let faith her ea - ger

liv - ing Spring, true Day, all days il - lu - min - ing:
Spir - it's ray on all we think or do to - day.
Grace for pow'r to con - quer in temp - ta - tion's hour.
fires re - new, and hate the false, and love the true.

5. O joyful be the passing day
with thoughts as pure as morning's ray,
with faith like noontide shining bright,
our souls unshadowed by the night.

6. Dawn's glory gilds the earth and skies,
let him, our perfect Morn, arise,
the Word in God the Father one,
the Father imaged in the Son.

CONFESSION OF FAITH: Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 48. What are we specially taught by these words before me in the first commandment?

A. 48. These words before me in the first commandment teach us that God, who seeth all things, taketh notice of, and is much displeased with, the sin of having any other god.

EVENING PRAYER

HYMN OF PREPARATION

All Is Well

Words and Music by
Wayne Kirkpatrick and Michael W. Smith

VERSE 1 & 2
♩ = 78

E Emaj7/G# C#m G#m/B A E/A A E/G#

1. All is well, all is well, an - gels and men re -
2. All is well, all is well, let there be peace on

7 D2 D Am6/C B7 E Emaj7/G# C#m G#m/B A E/A A

joice. For to - night, dark - ness fell in - to the
earth. Christ is come, go and tell that He is

14 E/G# Amaj7 A6 E2/G# E/G# Amaj7 A6 E2/G# E/G# Gmaj7 G6

dawn of love's light. Sing al - - le, sing al - -
in the man - ger. Sing al - - le, sing al - -

VERSE 3

20 D2/F# D/F# Bsus B B7 E Emaj7/G# C#m G#m/B

le - lu - ia. 3. All is well, all is well,
le - lu - ia.

27 A E/A A Emaj7/G# E/G# D2 D Am6/C B7 E Emaj7/G#

lift up your voice and sing. Born is now Em -

33 C#m G#m/B A E/A A E/G# C/G D/F# C/E

man - u - el. Born is our Lord and Sav - ior. Sing al - le - lu -

OUTRO

40 D C Bm7 E Emaj7/G# A2/C# A2/B B

ia, sing al - le - lu - ia, all is well.

THE PREACHED WORD OF GOD

Rev. Chuck Sammons

Isaiah 60, ESV page 619

“Arise Shine, for your Light has come.”

Brightest and Best of the Sons of the Morning 206

We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him. Matt. 2:2

1. Bright - est and best of the sons of the morn - ing, dawn on our
 2. Cold on his cra - dle the dew - drops are shin - ing; low lies his
 3. Say, shall we yield him, in cost - ly de - vo - tion, o - dors of
 4. Vain - ly we of - fer each am - ple ob - la - tion, vain - ly with
 5. Bright - est and best of the sons of the morn - ing, dawn on our

dark - ness and lend us your aid; Star of the East, the ho - ri -
 head with the beasts of the stall; an - gels a - dore him in slum -
 • E - dom and of - f'rings di - vine, gems of the moun - tain and pearls
 gifts would his fa - vor se - cure; rich - er by far is the heart's
 dark - ness and lend us your aid; Star of the East, the ho - ri -

zon a - dorn - ing, guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.
 ber re - clin - ing, Mak - er and Mon - arch and Lord o - ver all.
 • of the o - cean, myrrh from the for - est or gold from the mine?
 ad - o - ra - tion; dear - er to God are the prayers of the poor.
 zon a - dorn - ing, guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.

*** CLOSING PRAYER**

POSTLUDE

** Congregation Standing*

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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 WEEK

Wednesday Night 6:30 p.m. PRAYER MEETING

In Person & via Zoom

Dr. Nance leads with a devotional and then we will pray together on a Zoom call.

****The ZOOM meeting password is the same as the Prayer List password****

<https://zoom.us/j/97617806601>

Wednesday Night 6:30 p.m. YOUTH GROUP at BPC

This semester the Youth Group is exploring *What is a Disciple?*. Please join us on Wednesdays at 6:30pm for snacks and a lesson. Contact Jordan Perkins for more information or to be added to the weekly email: jordanmperkins16@gmail.com

Friday Morning 7 a.m. MEN'S BIBLE STUDY - In Person

Mark Seeley leads the discussion on Ephesians and further coordination details will be forthcoming.

UPCOMING EVENTS

A Festival of Lessons and Carols

Plan now to attend a Festival of Lessons and Carols on Sunday, December 17th at 6 p.m. Invite friends and neighbors to come hear the Christmas story told through scripture and music. Light refreshments will be served, and childcare will be provided.

SAVE THE DATES

Dec. 10 Congregational Meeting

Dec. 17 A Festival of Lessons & Carols, 6 p.m.

Dec. 19 Young Adults meet at Kennedy's, 6:30 p.m.

Jan. 7 Evening Worship AT BRIGHTMORE, arrive at 5:50 p.m.

Christmas Schedule

Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

Dec. 24 & Dec. 31 No Sunday School

Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Worship at the PAVILION, 4 p.m.

Dec. 27 & Jan. 3 No Wednesday Meetings

Dec. 31 No Evening Worship

CHURCH FINANCIAL UPDATE

9/30/2023	Actual	Budget	Variance
Income/Gifts	\$247,960	\$262,922	(\$14,962)
Expenses	\$264,823	\$262,922	(\$1,901)
Net Income/(Deficit)	(\$16,863)	\$0	(\$16,863)

SESSION

Dr. Mantle Nance	Senior Minister	980-329-8458
Mr. Tim Ball	Missions	803-323-9031
Mr. Kenneth Jackson	Personnel, Discipleship	704-604-0331
Mr. Dennis Kachmarsky	Clerk	704-996-9561
Mr. Mark Seeley	Elder Emeritus	

DIACONATE

Mr. Sam Bullard	Mercy	704-451-1569
Mr. Rob Kelley	Clerk, Building & Grounds	704-907-5474
Mr. Alex Moore	Deacon	828-289-2460
Mr. Dan Tubaugh	Finance	704-989-7200

STAFF

Miss Aimee Jobe	Pianist	803-389-5395
Dr. Catharine Jackson	Music Coordinator	704-604-0330
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Mr. Levi Martin	Intern	540-986-5185
Mr. Jordan Perkins	Intern	970-893-0909
Miss Phoebe Pritchett	Women's Ministry	770-823-2508
Rev. Chuck Sammons	Intern	432-559-8470
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
*John & Judy Lehner	Serge for Spain	Charlotte, NC
PAK7		Pakistan
Queen City Pregnancy Resource Ctr.	1505 E. 4 th Street	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

**Missionary of the Month*

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

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