

THIS WEEK @ BPC

TODAY

- 8:30 AM Morning Worship Service
9:45 AM Sunday School (Nursery available)
11 AM Morning Worship Service (Nursery available)
Children's Church (3 & 4 year olds)
4:30 PM Deacon's Meeting
4:45 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal
6 PM Evening Worship
Happy Birthday Jesus Party

TUESDAY

- 5:45 PM Women's Christmas Gathering (Dinner at 6:15 pm)

WEDNESDAY

- 7:15 AM Devo & Donuts
6 PM Youth

SATURDAY

- 9 - 10:30 AM Christmas Cantata Rehearsal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Women's Christmas Gathering: "Emmanuel, God With Us," THIS Tuesday, December 6, at 6:15 pm. Come early (5:45 pm) for shopping and yummy appetizers!

Christmas Project: This Christmas we will be providing supplies to The Center for Pregnancy Choices in Pearl. Place items in the box in the cafe area through Dec. 11. They need: Size 4 & size 5 diapers (any brand), diaper cream, baby wash. They also like to give the mothers a small happy at Christmas time: Nail polish, lotions, lip gloss.

Christmas Cantata - December 11 at 6 pm, followed by a reception. Bring your favorite party food to share!

Winter Quarter Sunday School Classes: TODAY we begin a new quarter. Charlie Moak will begin a class on *Ruth & Esther* in the "Kitchen classroom". Nat Whitten & Brian Smith will lead a class on the *Parables of Jesus* in the "Choir Classroom."

Fourth Friday Christmas Party: Saturday, December 17, 7 pm, at the home of Ellie & Scott Word. Bring an appetizer, side dish, or dessert, and a white elephant gift.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

We have a special need for Nursery workers for our Christmas Eve service: Saturday, Dec. 24, 5:15 pm. If you are able to help, please contact the church office.

TONIGHT @ 6 pm: Happy Birthday Jesus Party! Sign up on the bulletin board if you would like to bring something! This will be our list time to meet till January 8.

Shut in Visits: We will be taking the children to visit member shut-ins Thursday, December 22. More info coming soon!

Children's Bulletins: Available Sunday mornings for ages 3-6 and 7-12. Pick one up!

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

Bell Ringer: Jake Whitney

Next Week: James David Wade

Nursery: Melinda Neill

Next Week: Tiffany Glover

Children's Church this month: Davida Curtis/Peter Glover

YOUTH MINISTRY

Devo & Donuts (6th-8th grades): THIS Wednesday, December 7, at 7:15 am. See Davida Curtis for more info or to sign up.

Bible Study THIS Wednesday, December 7, 6 - 7:15 pm, place TBA. We love to fellowship with church members in their homes. If you're willing to open your home to us, contact John Thompson.

SERMON NOTES

December 4, 2016

DR. JOHN DAWSON

John 1:1-18

I. The Most Marvelous Mystery

II. Manifested in Meek, Mundane Mortality

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Deacons: Kyle Carlton, Scotty Dickey, John McInnis, Brian Smith, Luther Stowers, John Thompson, Joe Williams

WOMEN'S MINISTRY ROUND TABLE

Women's Ministry Director: Rebekah Dawson
Dawson Shepherding Group: Angela McInnis; *Thompson Shepherding Group:* Mary Thompson, Melinda Neill; *Whitten Shepherding Group:* Jeanne Monsour, Erin Clayton; *Morrison Shepherding Group:* Kerri Matthews; Carol Booth; *Herrington Shepherding Group:* Camille Herrington, Jo Stanford, Michelle Smith

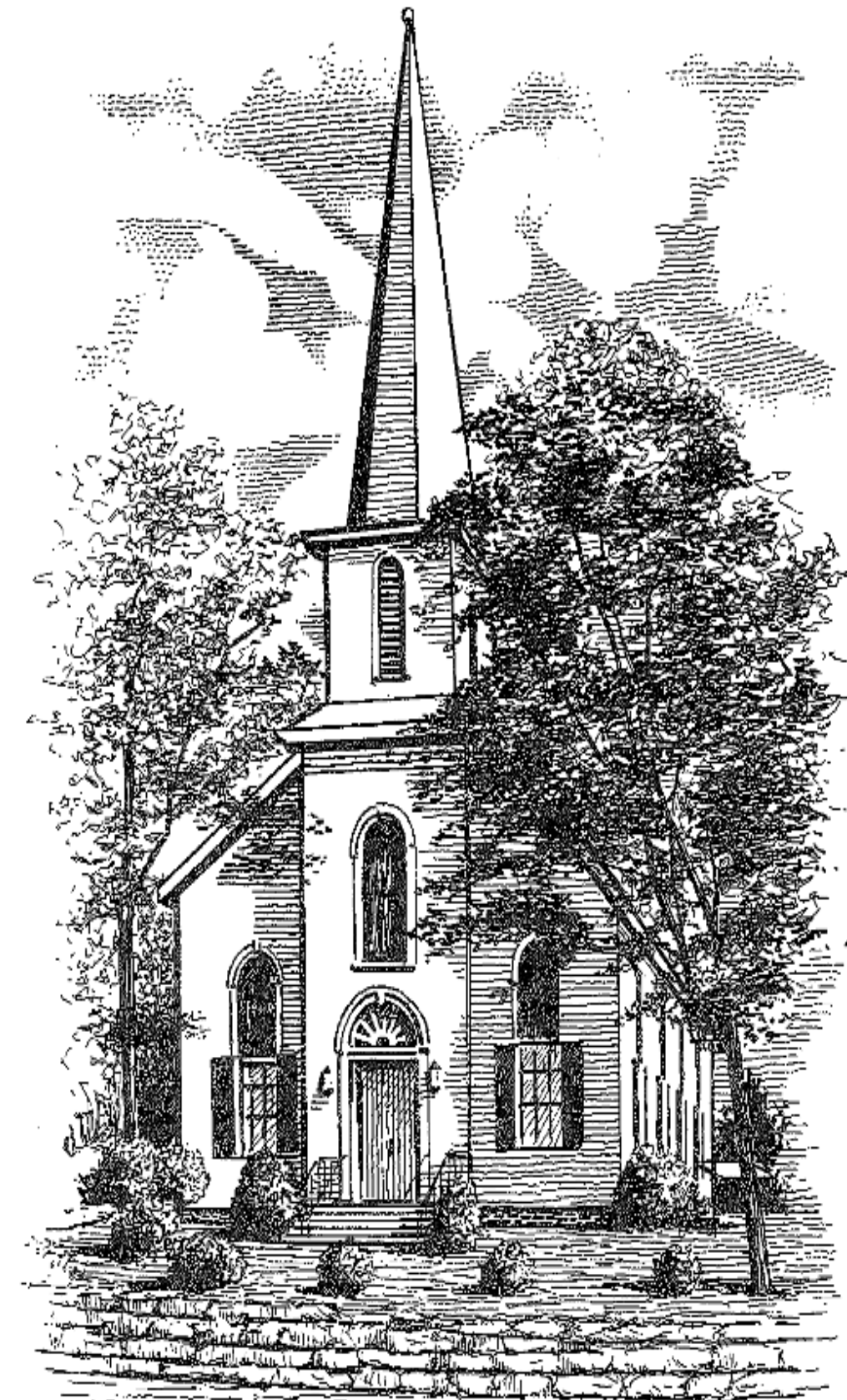
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Is Jesus Christ, Her Lord.."*

Morning Worship

The Lord's Day, December 4, 2016

During the prelude, please prepare your heart to worship our gracious, Almighty God together.

Meditation

Lo, within a manger lies, He Who built the starry skies;
He Who, throned in height sublime, Sits amid the cherubim.
What a tender love was Thine, Thus to come from highest bliss
Down to such a world as this.

Edward Caswall

Prelude

"Come, Thou Savior of Our Race"
Jacquelyn Thornell, organist

VETTER

Welcome & Announcements

Choral Call to Worship

"Joy Has Dawned"
Elementary Children's Choir

Call to Worship *

ISAIAH 11:1-9

Leader: There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse,
and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit.
People: And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him,
the Spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the Spirit of counsel and might,
the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.
Leader: And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.
He shall not judge by what his eyes see,
or decid disputes by what his ears hear,
but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;
and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.
People: Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist,
and faithfulness will undergird him.
Leader: The wolf shall dwell with the lamb,
and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat,
and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together;
and a little child shall lead them.
The cow and the bear shall graze;
their young shall lie down together;
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.
The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra,
and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den.
People: They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain;
for the earth shall be full of knowledge of the LORD
as the waters cover the sea.

Hymn of Praise *

Nº 194

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Invocation

Hymn of Praise *

Nº 195

"Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come"

Confession of Sin

Leader: Lord of grace and truth, we confess our unworthiness to stand in
your presence as your children. We have sinned:

People: forgive and heal us.

Leader: The virgin Mary accepted your call to be the mother of Jesus.
Forgive our disobedience to your will. We have sinned:

People: forgive and heal us.

Leader: Your Son our Savior was born in poverty in a manger.

Forgive our greed and rejection of your ways. We have sinned:

People: forgive and heal us.

Assurance of Pardon

JOHN 1:12-13

But to all who did receive [Jesus], who believed in his name, he gave the
right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the
will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

Pastoral Prayer

God's Tithes & Our Offerings

PRICE

"Love Came Down at Christmas"

Gloria Patri *

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the
beginning, it is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Anthem**

"Bethlehem"

Adult Choir

(Children are dismissed to Children's Church)**

Reading of Holy Scripture

Nº 750

John 1:1-18

Sermon

DR. JOHN DAWSON

"The Word Became Flesh"

Hymn of Response*

Nº 140

"O Word of God Incarnate"

Benediction *

To Our Visitors

We are pleased you have chosen to worship with us.

Our church doors are open as wide as the Gospel:

"For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved"

Romans 10:13

Please fill out a visitor's card and place it in the offering plate or
hand it to Pastor Dawson at the end of the service. Let an usher or
Pastor Dawson know if you have any questions.

IN PRAYER

- **Missionary of the Week:** Dr. & Mrs. Quarterman (Ukraine)
- **Ministry of the Week:** Center for Violence Prevention
- **Shepherding Group:** John Dawson, John McInnis, Kyle Carlton
- God would continue to bless us with new **visitors, families, & members.**
- Congratulations to **Elaine Moore** on the birth of her son, James Grayson Moore: 9 lb. 6 oz.
- **Brittany Beddow & David Mahaffey:** engaged.
- **Brandi Wilkins** (Bethany Lee's sister) & **Jonathan Hall:** engaged to be married March 18.
- **Kristen & Sam Murray:** expecting a baby in late December.
- **Lacey (Morrison) & Dominic Avioli:** expecting a baby in January.
- **Nicki Mason,** daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Bramlett; expecting a baby.
- **Amanda Stokes:** Intern with RUF, Western Carolina University.
- **Laura Whitten:** Intern with RUF, Stanford.
- **Tony Boyd,** neighbor of Barbara Fowler: tragically lost her son Nov. 1
- **Florene Dove:** Outpatient surgery to remove melanoma.
- Scott Word's uncle, **Vic:** lung transplamt list, regressing, not breathing well.
- **Loved ones battling cancer:** **Gayle Richardson:** cancer, chemo & radiation, pray for strength & healing. **Caffie Chambers,** Barbara Fowler's friend's sister: breast cancer, on last round of chemo, in a lot of pain. **Judy Bramlett,** Ken Bramlett's sister: cancer returned in several places, just finished treatment, feels good, awaiting test results. **Bobby Taylor,** John Dawson's cousin: stage 4 lymphoma, undergoing treatment. **Austin Brayfield,** Cecile Whitten's Aunt: inoperable brain tumor, had an infection and was hospitalized, now in rehab, physical & spiritual needs. **Jeff Harrison,** Charlie Moak's close friend: prostate cancer, has finished treatment and awaits results, experiencing heart rhythm issues. **Jack Thompson,** Scott Word's Uncle: prostate cancer, doing well, needs to be monitored with regular check-ups, his wife will have surgery for digestive issues soon. **Roscoe Douglas,** Rebekah Dawson's SIL's father: (colon, liver, lymph nodes) stage 4, given 6 months to live. **Andrew McCall,** 8-yr-old son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall: (acute leukemia).
- **Service members:** S.T. Heath, Mark Muse, Joey Brown (nephew of Barbara Fowler)
- **Nursing home residents & shut-ins:** Joan Allen, Ann Benton, Jane Eelman, Jim McBrayer, Merrit McNamee, Peggy Piner, Polly & Laverne Roberts, Mary Jane Thompson

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (8:30/11am/6pm): Nov. 27	50/80/42
Sunday School	83
Last Week's Offering:	\$ 3,005.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:	\$ 6,249.00
Year to Date Giving:	\$ 314,637.00
Year to Date Budgeted Giving:	\$ 299,952.00 (+\$14,685.00)