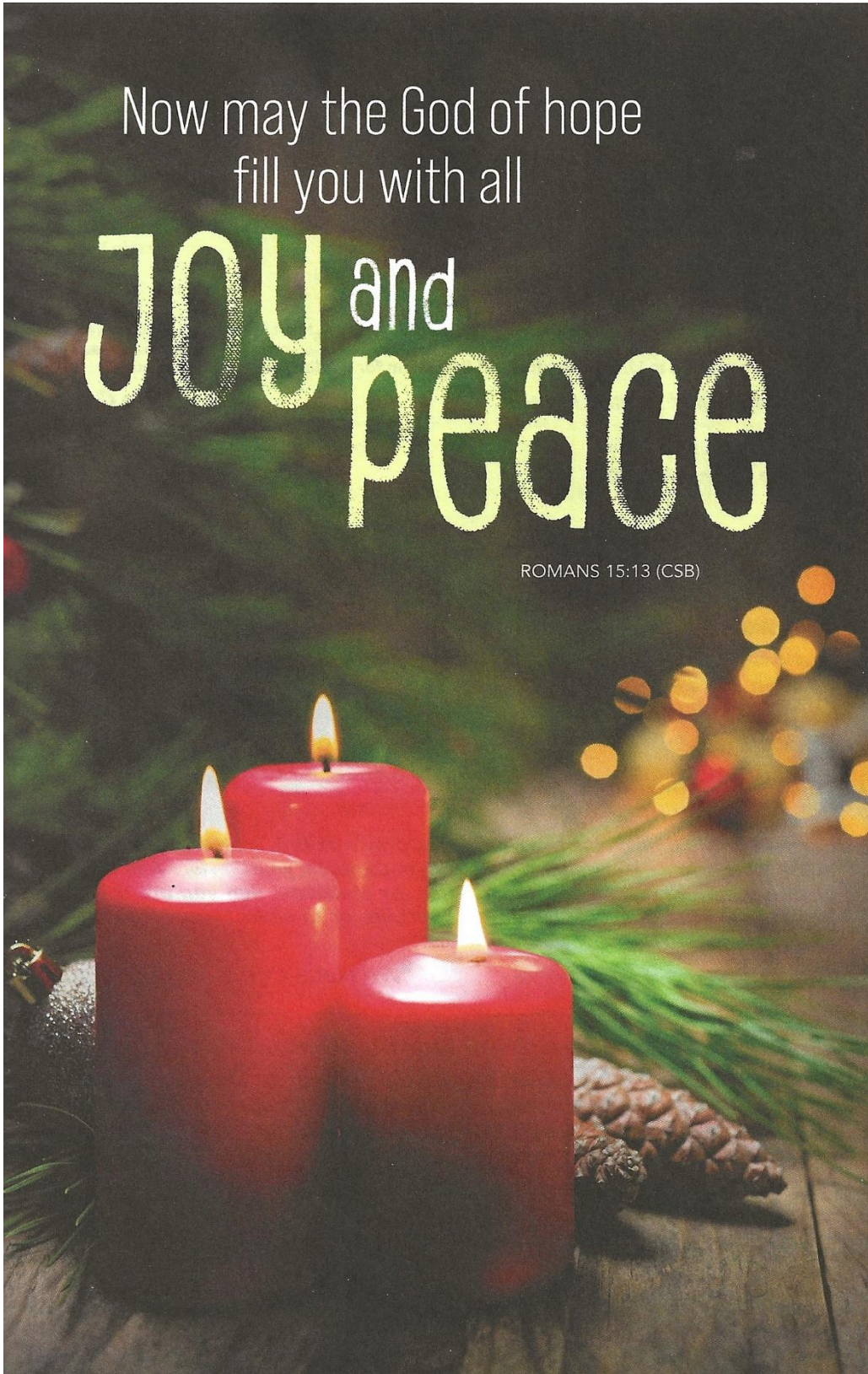


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Now may the God of hope
fill you with all

JOY and
peace

ROMANS 15:13 (CSB)





Welcome to Blue Ridge Baptist Church

*Worship
Now - Then*

Sunday, January 4, 2026

Rev. John Carney
Emily Roney, Bro. John
Linda Graydon
Susan Hansen
Jim Harris
David Brown, Buddy Davis, Dan Bass, Vincen Bennett, Jim Harris, Scott Stevenson Sound Engineers

Pastor
Worship Leader
Pianist
Financial Secretary
Web Master

Thank you to Linda Graydon and Bro. John for leading us in Worship today.

Welcome and Family News

Rev. John Carney

Call to Worship 359

"This Is the Day"

Hymn 407

"Because He Lives"

Family Prayer and Candle Lighting

Fellowship Hymn 10

"How Great Thou Art"

Worship Through Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Hymn 273

"Freely, Freely"

Special Music

Linda Graydon

Morning Message

Rev. John Carney

Hymn of Invitation 321

"The Savior Is Waiting"

Come to pray sitting on the two front pews, pray with Bro. John at the altar, or pray at the altar. Come and declare your faith in Christ as your Savior. Join this great church family by transferring your letter, by statement that you are a baptized believer, to share your desire to be baptized, or to share your decision for a recommitment to Christ as your Lord and Savior.

Closing Hymn 361

"We Have Come into His House"



How to Share Your Tithes and Offerings Today

You may place your tithes and offerings in the plates at the two doors of the Sanctuary. Please place your visitor's information and prayer requests there. You may give online, www.blueridgebaptistchurch.net through the Baptist Foundation where all giving is private and secure.



Welcome to Our Visitors



Come and worship in God's peace and beauty of Blue Ridge. We welcome our visitors today. Thank you for joining us. Please fill out the attached visitor's form and place it in the offering plate.

*Wishing You Joy, Peace, Good Health, and God's Love
Shining Upon Your Face*



*Join Us in our Resolution to Seek to Pray More
In this Coming Year*

*Today is a Special Time of Prayer in Morning Worship
It's Our First Sunday Family Candle Lighting*

Lighting a
candle
is a beautiful
way to experience
prayer.



Each family will go forward, pew by pew, to light a candle and to pray silently for your family in the coming year as we in our pews, silently pray for your family along with you. This begins the New Year as we will lift each other up in prayer for the Lord's blessings. We will cover all our church family. Candles will be on the Lord's Supper table. Bro. John and Jackie will begin the lighting.

**Our January Fellowship Lunch is Next Sunday,
Followed by our quarterly Business Meeting**



Ladies' Craft Night is January 13



Joni Musser will have our craft and it is really pretty. It's a Valentine door hanger and she needs to know in advance if you will be joining us. She is ordering panels to make the hearts which we will paint and decorate. Bring your ribbon, flowers, mesh, etc. You have received a picture on your phone text messages. Text Bro. John's church family thread to let us know yes or no that you will attend.



Blue Ridge This Week



January 4, 2026

9:45 am Coed II Sunday School
10:00 am Coed I Sunday School, Preschool and Children's Classes
11:00 am Morning Praise and Worship
5:00 pm Bible Study with Bro. John

Monday, January 5

7:00 pm Visit with Bro. John and Jim Beck

Wednesday, January 7

5:00 pm Bible Study with Bro. John

***It's a New Year!
The Sunday School Bell is Ringing!***



Make a resolution to come to Sunday School !

Coed I meets at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall with Bro. John. We meet around the tables and enjoy great Bible study, friends, coffee, and sharing only if you like. Join us whether you are new to Bible Study or seasoned in the Bible.

Coed II meets in the Choir Room with David Funchess as facilitator. They enjoy great fellowship.

Children and Preschool classes meet at 10:00 am in the Children's Wing. Jackie Carney, Renee' Miller, and Mary Ryals teach after showing a Bible Story video. They do crafts, have a snack, and enjoy their friends.

Children's Church is after the praise through music time in "Big Church". We teach the day's Bible Story through the video, fun work sheets, crafts, and light snacks. Jackie Carney, Tammi Stevenson, Renee' Miller, and Susan Bass are the teachers,



Your Contribution Records

Susan Hansen will have your 2025 contribution record available for you this month. We appreciate Susan for keeping these records. Your gifts are charitable contributions for your income tax records.

Visit us at www.blueridgebaptistchurch.net to see events, pictures, sermons, and a private, secure giving site, all done by our Webmaster, Jim Harris. There are so many pictures to see and information to gather. Christmas events are well covered! Thank you, Jim, for an excellent website. It is always up to date.

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WELCOME Date _____

Tell us more about you!

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____

Phone (cell) _____

Email _____

Please contact me by

☐ U.S. Mail ☐ Phone ☐ email

First visit to our church? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Member of a church? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Church Name _____

City, State _____

Guest of _____

Circle all ages or grades visiting:

Preschool: 0 1 2 3 4 5

Children: K 1 2 3 4 5

Students: 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

Adults: 18-24 25-34 35-44

45-54 55-64 65-74 75+

How did you learn about our church?

☐ Friend ☐ Mailing ☐ Newspaper

☐ Internet ☐ Other _____

New to the community? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Comments: _____

DECISION-INFORMATION

(Please complete contact information on reverse side and check all that apply.)

☐ I'm making a first-time commitment to Christ.

☐ I am renewing my commitment to Christ.

☐ I want to find out about baptism.

☐ I want to become a member of the church.

☐ I want to join a Bible Study.

☐ I want to commit my life to full-time Christian service.

☐ I want to commit my life to full-time missions.

☐ I want to serve where needed.

I would like information on:

☐ How to become a Christian

☐ How to join the church

☐ Family activities

☐ Adult ministries

☐ Single Adult ministries

☐ Student ministries

☐ Preschool/Children ministries

☐ Music and worship ministries

☐ Other _____

Requests

☐ I would like to speak with a minister.

☐ I would like more information on the church.

☐ Prayer requests and other needs:

NAME _____

PHONE _____