

Prophecy Lesson ..... Isaiah 2:1-5

Sermon ..... From Fighting to Farming...  
From Curses to Kindness...  
From Fists to Helping Hands  
Dr. Patrick Perryman

\*Affirmation of Faith - Apostles' Creed

I BELIEVE in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Pastoral Prayer and 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

Giving and Receiving  
Offertory

\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures high and low.  
Alleluia, alleluia!*  
*Praise God, in Jesus fully known:  
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

\*Hymn 100 ..... *My Soul Cries Out*

1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the  
2 Though I am small, my God, my all, you  
3 Though the na - tions rage from age to age, we re -

God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the  
work great things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the  
mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -

won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.  
depths of the past to the end of the age to be.  
liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.

You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my  
Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to  
This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the

weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my  
those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the  
prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be

name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?  
strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.  
crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.

Refrain

My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the  
fires of your jus - tice burn. Wipe a - way all tears, for the  
dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.

\*Benediction

\*Benediction Response

Postlude

\*All Who Are Able Please Stand | + Ushers Will Seat Latecomers



First Presbyterian  
Church of Beaufort

A Service for the Worship of God  
The First Sunday of Advent  
November 30, 2025  
11:00 AM



Berry Tayloe, 2025

*To all who are weary and need rest,  
To all who mourn and need comfort,  
To all who are lonely and need friendship,  
To all who are glad and would serve their neighbors,  
To all who are complacent and need disturbing,  
To all who sin and need a Savior,  
This church opens wide its doors  
In the name of Christ and bids you welcome.*

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Striking of the Hour

Prelude

Choral Introit

Opening Words & Call to Worship..... Elder Geneva Baxley

*We gather together in this place:*  
**Prophets and dreamers, singers and poets,**  
*We who dare to imagine a world renewed;*  
**We who dare to dream God’s dream.**  
We proclaim expectation with Isaiah!  
**God’s redemption is near!**  
*Through tears and through trials,*  
**We hold fast to our hope.**  
*Do not fear, for God is faithful.*  
**Our redemption rises with the dawn.**  
*Come and worship, all you who dream and wait.*  
**We have come to wonder and praise.**

\*Hymn 105.....*People Look East*

1 Peo - ple, look east. The time is near of the  
2 Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more  
3 An - gels, an-nounce with shouts of mirth Christ who

crown - ing of the year. Make your house fair as you are  
seed is plant - ed there. Give up your strength the seed to  
brings new life to eārthī. Set ev - ery peak and val - ley

Peo - ple, look  
a - ble; trim the hearth and set the ta - ble.  
nour - ish, that in course the flower may flour - ish.  
hum - ming with the word, the Lord is com - ing.

east and sing to - day:  
Peo - ple, look east: Love, the Guest, is on the way.  
Love, the Rose, is on the way.  
Love, the Lord, is on the way.  
Peo - ple, look east: (Love is on the way.)

This text was written to provide a new Advent text for an existing carol tune, here named for the city in eastern France where it originated. The author has imaginatively expressed the cosmic implications of Christ’s coming by addressing each stanza to a part of creation.

TEXT: Eleanor Farjeon, 1928, alt.  
MUSIC: French folk melody; harm. Martin Shaw, 1928  
Text © 1960 David Higham Associates, Ltd.  
Music Harm. © 1928 Oxford University Press

BESANÇON  
8.7.9.8.8.7

Lighting of the Advent Wreath..... Thomas and Ainsley Tayloe  
Berry & Archie Tayloe

Prayer of Confession

God of hope, we confess that we too often seek salvation from that which will not save us. We cling to our own comfort, rather than being generous with our gifts and privilege. We are complicit in systems that benefit us, rather than challenging the exploitation of neighbors and creation. We act from fear rather than faith. Transform our hearts with your mercy. Forgive us and renew us. Make us restless for justice. Teach us again to be people of courage and hope. We pray in the name of Jesus,  
(Let us continue in prayer silently)

Congregational Response Carol ..... *It Came Upon a Midnight Clear*

*May we who kneel before the Lord,  
Whose hearts confess our sin,  
Find peace that comes from God alone,  
As Jesus enters in.*

*Hear us, O God of grace and love,  
As humbly now we bow,  
Incline to us and wash us clean,  
Reign in our hearts right now.*

Declaration of Forgiveness

\* Gloria

*Gloria in Excelsis Deo, Gloria in Excelsis Deo*

*The Hanging of the Greens*

*How shall we prepare this house for the birth of Jesus?*  
**With branches of cedar, the tree of excellence and strength.**  
*How shall we prepare this house for the eternal Christ?*  
**With garlands of pine and fir, whose leaves are ever living, ever green.**  
*How shall we prepare this house for the prophet of Galilee?*  
**With wreaths of holly and ivy, telling of his passion, death and resurrection.**  
*How shall we prepare our hearts for this revelation of God?*  
**By hearing again, the words of the prophets and the promises of God.**  
For in the coming of Jesus reveals the nature of God we are reminded anew of God’s vision of wholeness, justice, and peace for all of creation.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Anthem ..... *Dona Nobis Pacem*  
Jordan Plair, *Music Director* *TRAD*

Children’s Sermon..... Geneva Baxley  
*During Advent* As we sing the refrain from *The First Nowell*,  
all children are welcome to come down front

*Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Born is the King of Israel.*

Passing of the Peace

*Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.  
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.*

Epistle Lesson ..... Romans 13:11-14

\*Hymn 88 ..... *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som  
2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest  
3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy

cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile  
all things might - i - ly: to us the path of knowl - edge  
tribes on Si - nai’s height in an - cient times didst give the

here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.  
show; and teach us in her ways to go. Re-joyce! Re-joyce!  
law in cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.

Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

These titles of the coming Christ appeared in daily Vesper antiphons sung during the week before Christmas; their roots date at least to the reign of Charlemagne. Both text and tune are the fruit of 19th-century efforts to reclaim Christian treasures from pre-Reformation sources.

TEXT: Latin prose, pre-9th cent.; trans. composite  
MUSIC: Plain song; adapt. Thomas Helmore, 1852; arr. John Weaver, 1988  
Music Arr. © 1990 John Weaver

VENI EMMANUEL  
LM with refrain



# WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WELCOME to all who join us for worship today.** If you are without a church home, you will be warmly welcomed into our fellowship. We are glad you are here! Please like us on Facebook and visit our website at [www.firstpresbeaufort.org](http://www.firstpresbeaufort.org) for sermons, news, and current events.

**TODAY THE FLOWERS ARE GIVEN** to the glory of God and in celebration of the hope, peace, joy, and love this advent season.

## **POINSETTIAS WILL BE USED TO DECORATE THE SANCTUARY FOR WORSHIP.**

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in honor of, or in memory of a loved one, please return this completed form to the church office or place in the offering plate with \$20.00 for each one ordered. Poinsettias must be paid for in advance and **may be picked up after the worship service on Sunday, Dec. 21st or after the Christmas Eve services.**

**All orders must be received no later than Sunday, Dec. 7th**

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### **POINSETTIA ORDER FORM**

**\$20.00**

- ☐ Cash
- ☐ Check
- ☐ Online

**GIVEN BY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**IN MEMORY OF:** \_\_\_\_\_

**IN HONOR OF:** \_\_\_\_\_

### **MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS:**

#### **AWAKENING THE SPIRIT IN US TO BECOME MORE COMPASSIONATE**

"There are days I drop words of comfort on myself like falling leaves and remember that it is enough to be taken care of by myself."

- Brian Andreas



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# DECEMBER CALENDAR

- 11/30 ADVENT BEGINS
- 12/5-7 NATIVITY CELEBRATION
- 12/12 PW CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON 11:30AM
- 12/13 CHRISTMAS ON THE RIVER 11AM
- 12/14 CHRISTMAS PAGEANT 4PM
- 12/14 YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY 5PM
- 12/21 LESSONS & CAROLS 11AM
- 12/22 BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE 5PM
- 12/24 CHRISTMAS EVE 5PM & 7PM

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# **Advent Collection**

## **Gift Cards for Gas & Groceries**



**Take part in supporting the patients of GOOD NEIGHBOR MEDICAL CLINIC and the clients of HOPEFUL HORIZONS through gift cards for gas & groceries.**

Gift cards can be purchased from FOOD LION or PARKERS.

Donations can also be made online.



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## **December Men's Breakfast**



Wednesday, December 3rd  
8am - 9am  
Blackstone Cafe : 205 Scott St.

*All are welcome*



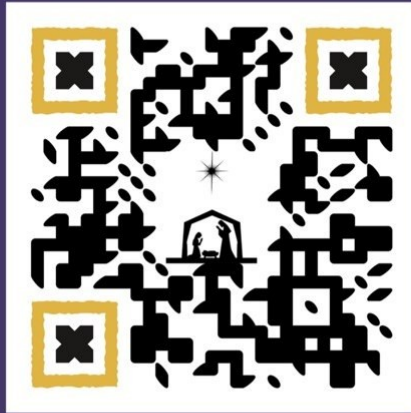
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# **Annual Nativity Celebration**

## **December 5-7**

Docents & Greeters Needed



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14th Annual Nativity Celebration

December 5-6    10:00am-4:00pm

December 7    12:00-3:00pm

All are welcome for this **FREE** community event celebrating the Christmas story with more than 150 nativities from around the world.

Historic Downtown Beaufort

1201 North Street





**YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE**

# **Presbyterian Women's Christmas Luncheon**

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12TH AT 11:30AM  
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL**

**Guest Speaker: Sister Canice Adams**

**St. Francis Center**

**PLEASE RSVP BY 12/4 TO**

**MARY BASSETT**

**610-247-8870**

**MARYCLAYBASSETT@GMAIL.COM**

**Please bring an unwrapped toy for the children of local  
church, Pabellion de pa Libertad Church.**

**Lunch hosted by Tuesday MornEng Circle**

**A DONATION OF \$10 IS SUGGESTED**





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## CHRISTMAS ON THE RIVER

Saturday, December 13th

11am-1pm

96 Old Oyster Factory Road  
(Habersham)

CHILI   WREATH MAKING   BOUNCE HOUSE   MUSIC   SANTA



## Blue Christmas

A community service for remembrance, hope,  
comfort and inspiration



Monday, December 22nd

5pm

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A COMMUNITY OF LOVE & FAITH – COMMITTED  
TO WELCOMING ALL AND SERVING OTHERS.



# CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS EVE

## 5PM

**FEATURING THE FPC CHILDREN'S CHOIR**

## 7PM

**FEATURING THE FPC CHANCEL CHOIR & BRASS**

NURSERY AVAILABLE DURING 5PM SERVICE.

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