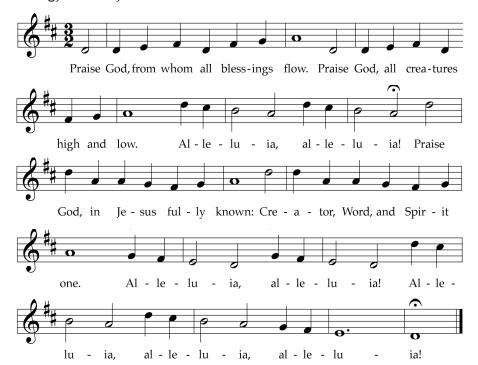
#### \*Apostles' Creed

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

### \*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication



\*Hymn 136 ......Go Tell It on the Mountain

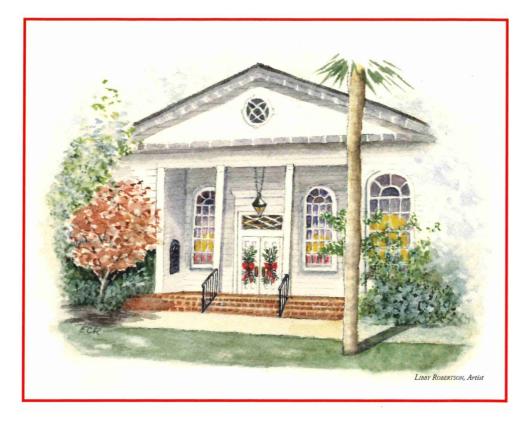


\*All Who Are Able Please Stand | + Ushers Will Seat Latecomers

J.S. BACH



## A Service for the Worship of God The Second Sunday of Advent December 10, 2023 11:00 AM



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.

Sanctuary: 410 Church Street

Office, Education & Outreach Building: 1201 North Street firstpresbeaufort.org 843-524-3051 www.facebook.com/firstpresbeaufort info@firstpresbeaufort.org

Striking of the Hour

Choral Introit

Opening Words & Call to Worship - From Psalm 85...... Elder Geneva Baxley

You have been gracious to your land, O Lord, You have restored the good fortune of Jacob.

You have forgiven all the iniquity of your people And blotted out all their sins.

I will listen to what you, Lord God, are saying,

For you are speaking peace to your faithful people And to those who turn their hearts to you.

Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you,
That your glory may dwell in our land.

Mercy and truth have met together;

Righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Truth shall spring up from the earth

And righteousness shall look down from heaven.

Lord, you will indeed grant prosperity
And our land will yield its increase.

Righteousness shall go before you,

And peace shall be a pathway for your feet.



Lighting the Advent Wreath ......The Hiers Family

Prayer of Confession

Lord have mercy on us. We are not ready for your coming. We live in sin, as though there were no justice. We live in fear as though there were not grace. Forgive us, Lord. Show us your mercy and steadfast love. Lead us in your truth, and teach us your paths, for you are the God of our salvation. (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

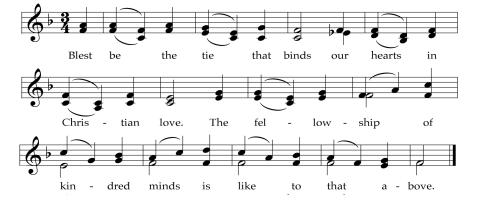
\* Gloria

Gloria in Excelsis Deo, Gloria in Excelsis Deo

(As we sing the refrain from The First Nowell, all children are welcome to come down front)

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

Passing of the Peace



Prophecy Lesson......Isaiah 40:1-11



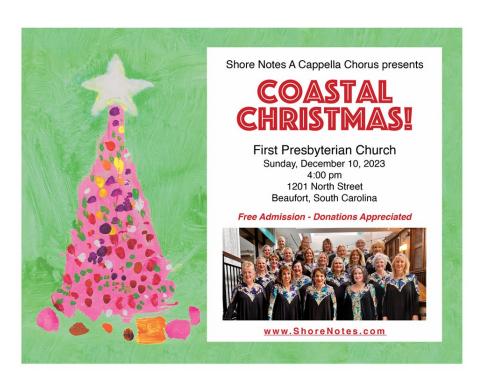
Dr. Patrick Perryman



#### 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** for sermons, news, and current events.

**TODAY THE FLOWERS ARE GIVEN** to the Glory of God and in celebration of the Advent Season.





## 2023 New Members

Meredith Halopoff (Barrett)

Betsi Jordan

Barbara & Randy James

Geoffrey Gillian

Lisa and John Horne

Elizabeth and Eli Penn (Sophia, Logan, Wyatt, Sam)

Fran Bishop

Mary Ann Kelly and Mike Eliott

Sharon and David Stack

Michelle and Brook Dixon (Isabella)

Emma and Grant McClure

Ann and Alex Vestal (Evelyn, Graham)

Nikki and Jason Ruhf (Jack)

Philip and Sally Castengera

Tiffani and Matt Krueger

Kate Redfern (Ella Clarkson)

Jennie and Bob Burroughs

Margery Boyle

Abbe and Barry Couper

Dana Walker

## Youth Confirmands

Isobel Amundson
Carson Crosby
Erin Crosby
Isabella Dixon
Neeley Mitchum
Liza Grace Murdaugh
Mary Marvin Murdaugh

Caroline O'Kelley Harper Pearce Preston Pearce Logan Penn Peyton Pierro Quinn Williams

## SING WE NOW OF CHRISTMAS

JOIN US CHRISTMAS EVE MORNING AT BEAUFORT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

10:00 AM SUNDAY 12/24/23

NO SANCTUARY WORSHIP SERVICE

THE CHURCH HAS LEFT THE BUILDING



# 10:00 GATHER INSIDE THE MAIN ENTRANCE LOBBY 10:15-11AM CAROLING

COME AS YOU ARE. ALL ARE WELCOME.

#### **MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS:**

AWAKENING THE SPIRIT IN US TO BECOME MORE COMPASSIONATE.

"There is no health without mental health; mental health is too important to be left to the professionals alone, and mental health is everyone's business."

- Vikram Patel



## Poinsettias 12/10/2023 - 12/24/2023



### Given By

### In *Honor* of

The Bowden Family

Geneva & Luke Baxley

Patsy & Owen Hand

Ellie Laita

Sandra & John Myrick

Ware Family

Vicki & Steve Mix

Patricia Ross

Vicki & Steve Mix

Nan & Gordon Krueger

Betsi Jordan

Lisa & John Horne

Mr. & Mrs. John Marvin Murdaugh

Marcia & Jim Pickard

Vicki & Steve Mix

Mary & John Ferguson

Mary & Johnny Tatum

Pam & Ray Bowden

Kate & Davis Baxley

Our Children & Grandsons

Her mother Susie Cahill

Frances D. Myrick

Elizabeth Ware, Neely Mitchum, Meredith Ware, & Jase Ware

Their grandchildren, Eliza, Ben, Liam. & Walker

Her grandchildren

Their Children, Caroline, Gracyn, &

Austin

Lucy Golden

Neeley Mitchum

Their grandchildren

Our children & Buster Murdaugh

Their grandchildren

Louanne Spada

Sam & Ben Van Hise and Allison & Kate Can Wienen

Their children and grandchildren May, Jack, Johnny, Jenny Gray, & Christy

ew Year! **New Member Class** Sunday, January 21st Following Worship 12:30-2pm unch provided Childcare available upon request Questions & RSVP: Geneva Baxley ghaxley@firstpresheaufort.org



Please join us for a

## **Christmas Pageant**

4pm Sunday, December 17th **FPC Sanctuary** 





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Blair & Blakely Williams Martha & Bill Harvey

Evie & Grady Woods Becky & Rick Campbell

Meredith Nicholson

Chad, Kate, Emory & Gus Lashua

Iames & Marcia Pickard

Marshall & Mary Bassett

The Antinori Family

The Bowden Family

Steve & Vicki Mix

Nan & Gordon Krueger

The Baxley Family

Ware Family

Susan & Steve Meyer

The Lubkin Family

Liz &. John Marvin Murdaugh

&Sonny Foster Tradd Woods Michael Patterson

Mary Anne Riding Williams

Helen & Brantley Harvey

Sterling Ivey & Norman Nicholson

& Dick Campbell

Nancy O'Donnell, Kate's Mother & Bode, their good firend

> Janice & Arthur Bean Gloria & Wilbur Pickard

James Clay Bassett Mr. & Mrs. J.C. Clay Dr. Frank H Bassett III

Dr. Peter Steven Mowlajko

Clair & Richard Nault

Coral & David Temple

Andrea Coulter

Granny & Pop Kellam, & Dr. Buddy "Pepan" Baxley

Kathy Neeley

Their parents Stephen & Helen Meyer B.J. & Laura Humphreys

Mrs. Maggie Murdaugh Mr. Paul Murdaugh Mr. Randolph Murdaugh III

GG & Smart Mart

## Given By

Linda & Richard Tunstall Leslie & Mach Mitchell

Linda & John Sheppard Owen & Patsy Hand

Stovall Family

Gloria H. Dodgen

Tracey & Jamie Leach

Stephanie & Paul Coffman

Charles, Casey, Jennings, Williams,

& Claire Tumlin

Mary Sheppard

Mary & John Ferguson

Sally & Phil Castengera

Joe Strouse

Liz Malinowski

Sharon & Wilson McElveen Jane, Kelsey, & Steve Tarrance

Lolita Watson

### In *Memory* of

Their parents
Sterling Ivey,
& Norman Nicholson
Hugh Sheppard
Their parents
Don Owen Stovall
Her husband Dudley S. Dodgen
Marion & Jimmie Leach

Their son Paul V. Coffman III

Ethel & Julius Sheppard
Brett & Joel VanWienen
Nicole Anderson

Nicole Anderson & Brian Castengera

Mrs. Sherrie Tumlin

Nancy Strouse

Trudy Malinowski and Lib & Montague Laffitte

Mr. & Mrs. Neal V. Aimar

Bratton Tarrance

Becky & Neil Trask