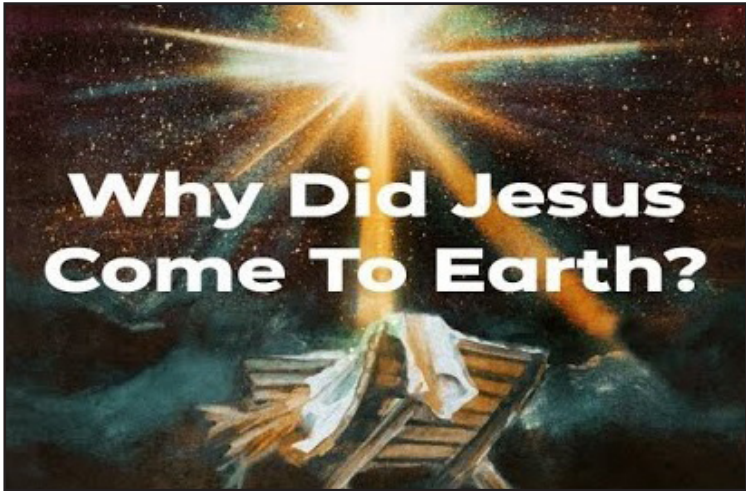


***Welcome to
First Baptist Church
Sunday, December 22, 2024***



10:30 AM SERVICE

Message - Why Did Christ Come into the
World? Part 3

Luke 2:10-14

Pastor Tim Knaus

Church Information

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Today's Events

- 5:30pm • College Bible Study**
(Office Level-Classroom #2)
- 6:00pm • Sr. High Bible Study** (Youth Room)

This Week's Events

MONDAY

- 10:00am • **Shuffleboard** (Gym)
- 6:30pm • **Men's Basketball** (Gym)
- 7:00am • **Men's Bible Study**
(Lane Barger's Home)

TUESDAY



Invitations

There are invitations for you to hand out to friends and family at the Information Area.

WEDNESDAY

- **Christmas**
- **Church Office Closed**
- **NO Evening Activities**

Coming Events

- Sun., Dec. 29**
- **NO Sunday School**
 - **AM Service -- 10:30am**
 - **College Bible Study--5:30pm**
(Office Level-Classroom #2)
 - **Sr. High Bible Study--6-8:00pm**
(Youth Room)
- Tues., Dec. 31**
- **New Year's Eve**
- Wed., Jan. 1**
- **New Year's Day**
 - **Church Office Closed**
 - **NO Evening Activities**
- Thurs., Jan. 2**
- **Single Women's Bible Study--6:30pm**
(Bancroft Barn)
- Fri. Jan. 3**
- **Elders Meeting--7:00am**
(Office Level-Conference Room)
 - **Women's Bible Study--10:00am**
(Office Level-Classroom #1)
- Sun., Jan. 5**
- **Sunday School--9:15am**
 - **Communion, AM Service -- 10:30am**
 - **PM Service--5:00pm**
 - **Evening Fellowship--After the PM Service** (Gym) See Article
 - **College Bible Study--After PM Service**
(Office Level-Classroom #2)
 - **Sr. High Bible Study--6:45-8pm**
(Youth Room)

No Sunday School

We will NOT have Sunday School **December 29th.**

Mitten Tree

There is a Christmas Tree in the Foyer (by the Library) for you to donate NEW hats, gloves, and mittens for the children at Youth Haven Ranch ages 7-14. Youth Haven cannot accept scarves, homemade or used items.

Please place your donation in the box located under the tree.



THANK YOU FOR VISITING TODAY

We invite all our visitors, to fill out the visitor slip located in the pocket on our chairs. You may place it in the offering. You can also use the QR code to fill out a visitor card on our website.



January Sunday Evening Fellowship **Sunday, January 5, 2025**

Our January Sunday Evening Fellowship menu: Your family's favorite hearty soup or stew, fruit tray, dessert. (Crockpots welcome).

It's important that we all sign up for items needed for the meal. Use Church Center: <https://www.PerfectPotluck.com/TMAE5631>, OR on the signup sheet in the Information Area.

We look forward to gathering together as a church family!

Nativity Lighting **Christmas Eve @ 11:59pm**

David & Sherri Purchase would like to invite all to the lighting of the nativity at their home, 6363 N. Findlay Rd., SJ, in honor of our LORD. Short scripture reading followed by Silent Night.

Beacon of Hope

Friends of Beacon

Our request for this week is Jars of Pasta Sauce any brand/size.

2024 Year End Contributions

In Person Giving will be accepted through December 29 and Online Giving will be accepted through December 30.

In order to receive a giving statement from First Baptist Church, you need to use the envelopes which the church provides on the chairs or give online.

You will receive your giving statement electronically if you have email. If you do not have email, it will be mailed to you. Please contact the church office if you do not receive a statement by the end of January.

If you did not use the giving envelopes provided and need a giving statement, we would be happy to provide one for you. We need you to give us an itemized list of your gifts (date, check # and amount). You may mail it to us or stop by the office, Tuesday - Friday, 8 a.m.-12 p.m., 1-4 p.m.

AM Sermon Notes

Message: Why Did Christ Come into the World? Part 3

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I. Glory to God

A. The first two parts of this series will lead us Biblically and logically to part three.

B. The birth of a Savior, Christ the Lord, is to show the world that God is infinitely great, beautiful, valuable, and worthy of all the praise and glory we could give Him.

II. Joy to Us

A. The birth of a Savior in the city of David is the coming of the joy of the Lord for all who will believe in Him and embrace Him as Savior.

Matthew 2:10–11

B. It can be a life-changing truth when we realize that giving glory to God always results in the joy of His people.

Revelation 5:11–12

Luke 24:52

Here is how you can accept Christ into your life:

- Admit your need. (*I am a sinner*)
- Be willing to turn from your sins. (*Repent*)
- Believe that Jesus Christ died for you on the cross and rose from the grave. (*Be saved by faith*)
- Through prayer, invite Jesus Christ to control your life through the Holy Spirit. (*Receive him as Lord and Savior*)

We suggest a prayer like this one:

“Dear God, I know I’m a sinner, and I ask for your forgiveness. I believe Jesus Christ is Your Son. I believe that He died for my sin and that you raised Him to life. I want to trust Him as my Savior and follow Him as Lord, from this day forward. Guide my life and help me to do your will. I pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen.”

(From the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association)

FINANCIAL UPDATE

YEAR TO DATE

BUDGET: \$1,334,906.72

ACTUAL YTD

TOTAL INCOME: \$1,246,818.49

TOTAL EXPENSES: \$1,294,296.67

Income Minus Expenses: (\$47,478.18)

- Childcare for ages 0-3yrs. old and Children’s Church for 4-8 yrs. old is available in the Children’s Wing during the 10:30am service.
- Drinks with lids are allowed in the Auditorium
- Hearing devices are available at the sound desk

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Tuesday - Friday 8-12 & 1-4

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