

## CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE - 5:00 PM

Message in Song		Jamie Germana, piano
	<b>I Heard The Bells On Christmas Day</b>	
Welcome		Gary Morgan
Praise & Worship	<b>Angels We Have Heard On High Away In A Manger</b>	
	<b>THE CHRISTMAS STORY</b> <b>The Reality Of Jesus Coming Into Our World</b>	
Children's Message & Scripture Reading	Luke 2:1-20	Jim Henderson
Praise & Worship	<b>Joy To The World</b>	
	<b>THE CHRIST STORY</b> <b>The Reason Jesus Came Into Our World</b>	
Scripture Reading	John 1:1-10	Patrick Dalstra
Scripture Reading	Isaiah 53:1-10	Laura Navarro
Praise & Worship	<b>O Come, All Ye Faithful</b>	
	<b>THE COMMUNION</b> <b>The Rejoicing Of Jesus In Our Lives</b>	
Scripture Reading	Luke 23:32-49; Hebrews 9:11-14	Jesús Navarro
Message in Song	Caylee Thomas & Jerry Waldrop-Kelly <b>A Christmas Hallelujah</b>	
The Lord's Supper		
	<b>THE COMMISSION</b> <b>The Reaching Of Others For Jesus</b>	
Scripture Reading	Matthew 5:14-16, John 3:19-21	Larry Gipson
Praise & Worship	<b>LIGHTING OF CANDLES</b> <b>Silent Night</b>	
Closing Comments and Prayer		Larry Gipson
Post Service Music	<b>Carol Of The Bells</b>	Apryl Casey

## CHRISTMAS EVE LOVE OFFERING

A love offering will be taken after the service tonight. It will be divided between the Children's Center and the Dream Center. The Blount County Children's Center in Oneonta "is a Child Advocacy Center, working to prevent child abuse and provide help to victims and their families." The Dream Center is in Gadsden and "provides kids a safe place to go for recreation, mentoring, learning life skills, tutoring, and growing in the knowledge of Jesus Christ."

## EXTREME WINTER CONFERENCE

Pray for our students and leaders as they attend the Xtreme Winter Conference this week. Pray for their safety as they travel, and that God will touch their hearts through the music and the message they hear.

## SAVE THE DATE STUDENTS NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY December 31

Watch for more details from Patrick about the Students New Year's Eve Party!

## POINSETTIAS

If you purchased a poinsettia, you may take it with you after today's service. Thanks for your purchase and helping us decorate the church with these beautiful flowers.

## HOUSE CHURCH

House Church is a Bible Study for Middle School to College age students. It meets from 6:00 PM-8:00 PM every Saturday night. For more details, text or call Caylee Thomas, (205) 237-9013.

## CHURCH OFFICE CLOSURE & SCHEDULE

The Church Office will be closed December 25 and January 1. We will not have Wednesday Night Activities on December 25 or January 1.

## SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER TED MURPHREE

**December 29 | 10:15 AM**

Ted Murphree will be our special guest speaker this coming Sunday.

## LOTTIE MOON POST OFFICE

The annual Lottie Moon Post Office is set up outside the church office. You can "mail" your Christmas cards and give your "stamp" donation to the IMB Offering. Also, check the boxes for your mail!

*The FBC Lottie Moon Goal is \$12,000.*

**Lottie Moon Envelopes** are available on the tables outside the sanctuary.

## FINISH STRONG

As we come to a close of our One Year Bible Reading Plan, take some time and catch up (if you have gotten behind). Finish the year strong in reading God's Word. You will want to complete this plan so you will be ready for our next Bible Reading Plan, which will be revealed soon!

## LAP BLANKETS AVAILABLE

As we head into colder temperatures, there are lap blankets available to use during church. Pick one up from the baskets and return it after the service.

**SAMFORD/MTI CLASS  
PASTORAL EPISTLES**

**Mondays at 6 PM, Jan 20-Mar 10  
First Baptist Church, Oneonta**

**Class Description:** This course is an exegetical verse-by-verse study of First and Second Timothy and Titus. These letters are generally referred to as the Pastoral Epistles because they are written to church leaders. The letters are filled with ecclesiological insights and should be considered collectively as the textbook for the modern church.

**Instructor:** Larry Gipson

**Note:** This location will offer Zoom as an option for attending classes.

*Register on the church website/app.*

**Registration is now available.**

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**YEAR END NOTES FROM YOUR  
FRIENDLY FINANCIAL MINISTRY  
ASSISTANT**

As 2024 comes to a close, please keep this in mind when making your contributions.

**Contributions** can only be claimed in 2024 for tax purposes if received by the church prior to 12/31/24. The only exception is if mailed (postmarked) on or before 12/31/24 or given at church on Sunday, 12/29/24.

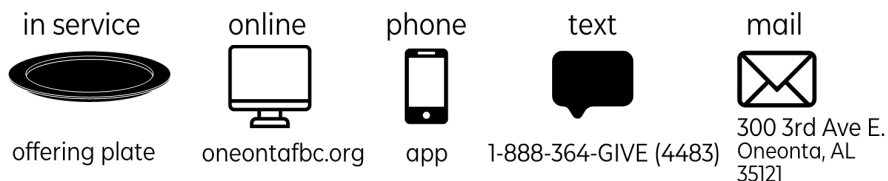
**2024 Contribution Statements** will be mailed to home addresses in January 2025. If you have moved or have a change of address, please notify the church office.

**The 2025 Offering Envelopes** are available outside the church office. If you are unable to locate yours, please contact Sarah Blakely in the church office for assistance.

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S FAITHFULNESS**

Monthly Budget Needs	\$68,281.90
Monthly Budget Receipts through December 15	\$47,432.29
Lottie Moon Christmas Offering	\$8,759.00

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*"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."  
Isaiah 9:6*

**DECEMBER 24, 2024**

**LARRY GIPSON, PASTOR  
GARY MORGAN, WORSHIP PASTOR  
PATRICK DALSTRA, STUDENTS & YOUNG ADULT PASTOR  
LAURA NAVARRO, CHILDREN'S COORDINATOR  
DAN SIMS, PASTOR EMERITUS**

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