

DECEMBER 2018

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH MONTHLY CALENDAR

Welcome to the Monthly Calendar for Second Baptist Church – which will display all meetings and events planned to take place at our church this month. **Please check this calendar weekly for new dates/times and cancellations.**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Communion/ Baptism 1 st Sunday of Advent Mass Choir	3	4 5:30p Praise & Worship/Mass Choir 6:30p Male Chorus	5 11a/6p Sweet Hour of Prayer 12p&7p Bible Study	6 6:30p Dance Ministry 6:30p Male Chorus	7	8 9a Men's Fellowship 9:30a Small Group 11a ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING
9 Devoted Servants Dance Ministry Male Chorus 2 nd Sunday of Advent 1:30p Senior's Holiday Dinner	10	11 5:30p Praise & Worship/Mass Choir Usher Christmas Dinner	12 11a/6p Sweet Hour of Prayer 12p&7p Bible Study	13	14	15 Faith Mission
16 Mass Choir 3 rd Sunday of Advent	17	18 5:30p Praise & Worship/Mass Choir 6p Trustee Mtg.	19 6p Security Team Mtg.	20 6:30p Dance Ministry	21	22 10a Food Pantry
23 Combined Mass Choir 4 th Sunday of Advent 9:30a Sunday School Christmas play	24 CHRISTMAS EVE Church Office closes at Noon	25 CHRISTMAS DAY Church Office Closed	26	27 5:30p Praise & Worship 6:30p Dance Ministry	28	29
30 Guest Musician Puppet Ministry 1:30p Two-by-Two Visitation	31 NEW YEAR'S EVE Church Office closes at Noon 10p Watch Night Service					

INTERNATIONAL AIDS AWARENESS MONTH
NAT'L DRUNK & DRUGGED DRIVING PREVENTION MONTH

ADVENT 2018

Advent, “the season of preparation for the coming of Christ,” begins **Sunday, December 2nd**. During Advent, the church prepares for the birth of Jesus as a babe in a manger in history and for the rebirth of Christ’s presence in the hearts of faithful people. Advent is a time to remember that we also wait for Christ’s promised return to the world, called the “Second Coming.”

Here at Second Baptist Church, during our worship services, Advent candles will be lit each week signifying that the light of Christ is coming closer. The Deacon/Deaconess, Women, Men and Youth/Children ministries will assist in the Advent portion of our worship by lighting the candles and reading scripture:

December 2 nd	Deacon/Deaconess	The first candle (purple) is the candle of “anticipation.”
December 9 th	Women	The second candle (purple) symbolizes “love.”
December 16 th	Men	The third candle (pink) symbolizes “discernment.”
December 23 rd	Youth/Children	The fourth candle (purple) symbolizes “love and joy.”
		The fifth and final candle will be white. It is lit to announce the birth of Jesus, “The Light of the World.”

To inspire us to celebrate our God throughout the Advent season, here is a **Daily Advent Reading Plan**:

First Week in Advent: Anticipation

December 2: Jeremiah 31:31-40
December 3: Jeremiah 33:14-26
December 4: Isaiah 40:1-11
December 5: Psalm 33
December 6: Psalm 130
December 7: Romans 5:1-11
December 8: 1 Thessalonians 4:13—5:11

Second Week in Advent: Love

December 9: Isaiah 2:1-5
December 10: Isaiah 11:1-9
December 11: Isaiah 54:11-17
December 12: Ezekiel 34:11-31
December 13: Zechariah 8:9-17

December 14: Psalm 85
December 15: 1 Thessalonians 5:12-28

Third Week in Advent: Discernment

December 16: Luke 3:7-18
December 17: Isaiah 12:1-6
December 18: Isaiah 52:1-12
December 19: Psalm 126
December 20: Zechariah 9:9-17
December 21: Zephaniah 3:14-20
December 22: Philippians 4:4-9

Fourth Week in Advent: Love and Joy

December 23: Luke 1:26-38
December 24: Luke 1:39-56



BIRTHDAYS FOR DECEMBER

We extend our heartfelt **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to each member of Second Baptist Church born in December. *(If your name is not listed, it is because we do not have your birth date in our membership files. Please contact the church office so we can update our records.*

12/01 Joyce Jackson	12/06 Kaamilya Reddens	12/18 James Kinney
12/01 Sydney Parme	12/09 Catherine Cain	12/19 Eugene Jones
12/02 Giovanna Corner-Stafford	12/09 Brianna Corner-Stafford	12/20 Atla Carroll
12/03 Nancy Butler	12/09 Donna Miller	12/20 Dorothy Kelly
12/03 Vivian S. Peterson	12/11 Tristen Davis	12/22 Aiden Jones
12/04 Cameron Stokes	12/11 Wanda Glenn	12/22 Mataya Stokes
12/05 Jasmine Bailey	12/12 Anthony Hodge	12/23 Desanee Dawson
12/05 Tracy Lockhart	12/16 Clyde Wright	12/26 Booker Rene Coats
12/05 Marge Whatley	12/17 John Coats	12/29 Janet Gissendaner
	12/17 Carla Whiting	