

First Baptist Church in Beverly

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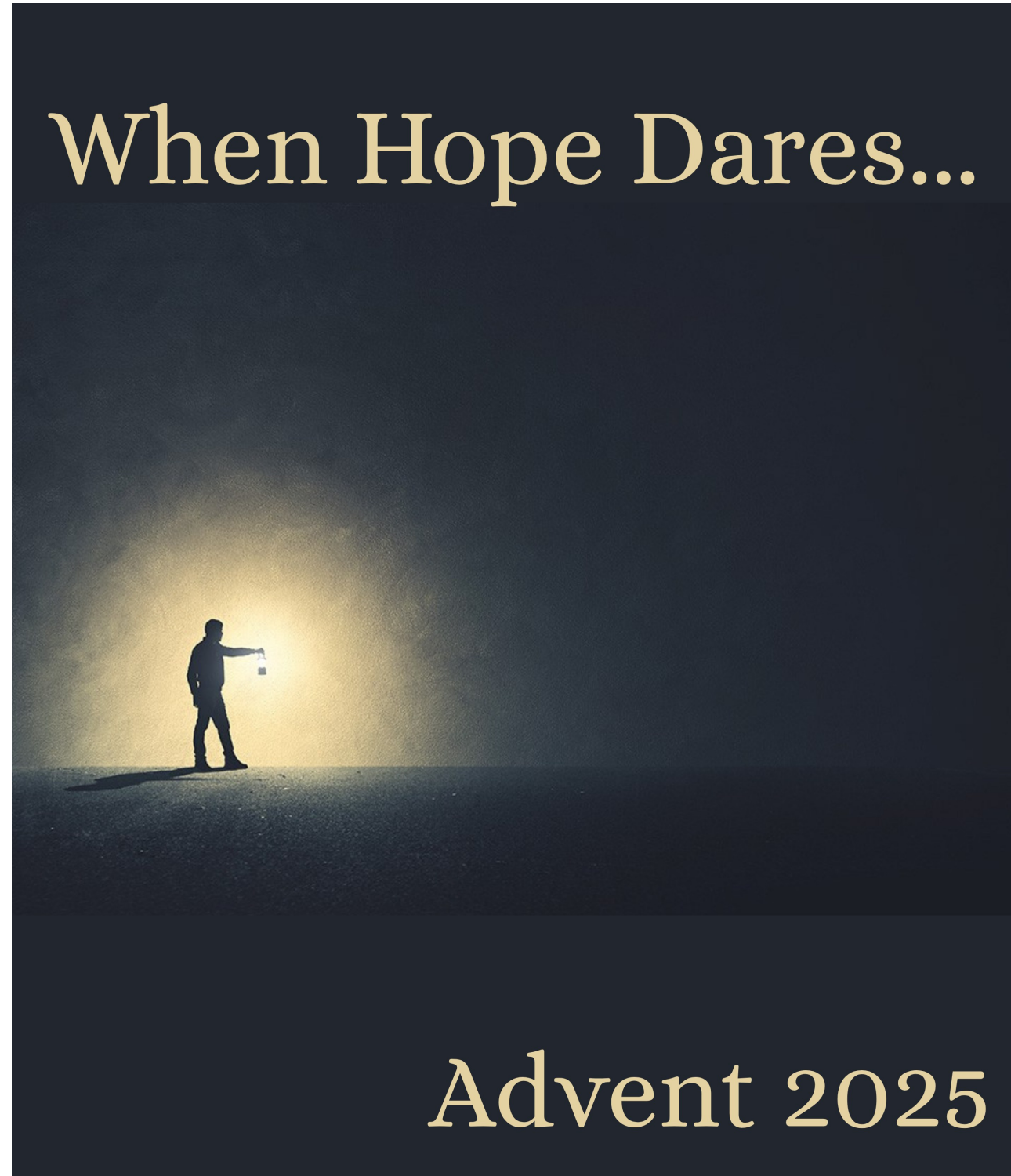
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When Hope Dares...



Advent 2025

**Welcome to Worship
at First Baptist Church in Beverly!**

We welcome you to worship this morning. We are so pleased to gather with you! Please feel free to fill out one of our Here We Gather cards in the pew rack, or speak with Julie Flowers or Daniel Johnson following worship.

There are Prayer Request cards in the pew rack in front of you. If you would like to take a moment to fill one out with a prayer concern you would like shared or like the ministers to know, please do so, and then place it in the offering plate when they are passed. Prayer concerns that should be kept for ministers only should have that designation written on them.

The chancel flowers are in memory of Ruby Bowles.

Prayground news for children! We encourage children in Grade 1 and above to make use of the Prayground space at the front of the Sanctuary to worship. The Prayground is a child-friendly place for the quiet enjoyment of worship. A care and learning experience for preschool and Kindergarten-age children is provided throughout our service in the Littlest Learners room on the main level, located through the double doors at the front of the sanctuary. Care for infants and toddlers (all children 2 and under) is provided throughout worship in our Infant/Toddler Room across from the rear sanctuary doors. All adults who work with our children have been CORI-checked. We always encourage families and caregivers to do what is best for their child and their family during the worship time.

Youth Pew and Class! We encourage our youth in Middle School and High School to enjoy worship together with peers in our youth pew at the front of the sanctuary. Our Youth Sunday School Class meets twice monthly and will next meet on Sunday, December 7 immediately following worship.

Devices to assist with hearing are available for those who have a need. A Deacon will be happy to assist you and provide one.

*Indicates Congregation Standing As They Are Able

Lectio Divina - Friday at 3:00 p.m.
Hanging of the Greens - Friday at 5:00 p.m.

Save the Following Dates

Poinsettia orders in memory and in honor of loved ones are now being taken. The cost this year is \$11.50 and **must** ordered by December 14. Sign up in the church office or email Pat Haight at phaight@fbcbeverly.org.

Christas Potluck and Yankee Swap - December 19, 5:30 p.m., at the home of
Daniel & Susan Johnson, 24 Lothrop Street

FBC Women’s Fellowship Retreat to Grotonwood - March 6th - 8th, 2026

(Be sure to read The Bulletin for details on these upcoming events!)

For more information on these and other programs of the church check the QR Code on the pew card in front of you or www.fbcbeverly.org!



Text Message Reminders from First Baptist Church!
Scan this QR code or text FBCTEXTSNOW to 724-361-6388 if you would like to opt in to receive text message updates, reminders, and alerts from First Baptist directly to your phone.

ORDER OF WORSHIP
First Sunday of Advent

November 30, 2025 **10:00 a.m.**

Tolling of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements Dr. Daniel Johnson

Moment of Preparation G.F. Handel
Comfort Ye My People from “Messiah”
Bruce Redington, soloist

(If you have not yet had the opportunity to turn off your cell phone, please do so now)

Call to Worship
Lighting the First Candle: The Candle of Light
Members of the Advent Worship Planning Team

***Carol of the Season 119** VENI EMMANUEL
O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Members of our Infant/Toddler and Littlest Learners Groups will begin the creation of our Nativity scene during the carol.

***Invocation, Lord’s Prayer, and** Rev. Julie Flowers
Gloria in Excelsis Dea (155 chorus)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kin-dom 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 kin-dom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Glory be to God and to the Christ and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Stepsitters

Dr. Daniel Johnson

Anthem

D. Nolan

An Invitation for Advent

Come to us, Emmanuel. Come to us, Lord Jesus. Come to us, Emmanuel. Come and set us free. We lift our longing hearts to you. Come and bring us peace. Come to us, Emmanuel. O come, Lord Jesus, come. O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel. Come to us, Emmanuel. Come to us, Lord, Jesus. Come and bring us your light. From darkness we have called to you, praying in the night. Come to us, Emmanuel, O come, Lord Jesus, come. Come to us Emmanuel.

Scripture Readings

Ian Kelley

Pew Bible pg. O.T. 494 & 496

Isaiah 9:2-7 and 11:1-9

Morning Prayer

Kelsey Belis

*Carol of the Season 139

TAULÉ

All Earth is Waiting

Sermon

Rev. Julie Flowers

“Hope Dares to See the Light”

Morning Offering

Call to Giving


Offertory

Dr. Daniel Johnson

M. Praetorius

Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming

Lo, how a Rose e’er blooming from tender stem hath sprung! Of Jesse’s lineage coming as men of old have sung. It came, a flow’ret bright, amid the cold of winter, when half spent was the night. Isaiah ’twas foretold it, the Rose I have in mind, with Mary we behold it, the Virgin Mother kind. To shew God’s love aright she bore to men a Saviour, when half spent was the night.

 *Doxology (48) Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all creatures here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; one God, triune, whom we adore. Amen.

*Carol of the Season 136

PLEADING SAVIOR

Christians All, Your Lord is Coming

*Benediction

Rev. Julie Flowers

*Postlude

J.S. Bach

Concerto in A minor: Allegro

Upcoming Events This Week:

Middle School Fellowship - Today at 11:15 a.m.
Worship Ensemble - Today at 11:30 a.m.
Word Searchers - Today at 11:30 a.m.
Beverly Holiday Parade - Today at 1:00 p.m.
Sr. High Fellowship - Today at 6:00 p.m.

Wit & Wisdom - Monday at 11:30 a.m.
Lay Visitation - Monday at 4:00 p.m.
Pickleball - Monday at 7:00 p.m.

Church Council - Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
Theology on Tap - Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. at Kitchen Table

Elf at The Cabot - Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

Zoom Coffee - Thursday at 10:00 a.m
Celebration Ringers - Thursday at 6:00 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir - Thursday at 7:30 p.m.