

welcome to the  
**First Baptist Church**  
of McMinnville, Oregon

*Together we respond to the call of the Spirit and the teachings of Jesus  
to learn, love, serve, and seek justice and joy for all.*

Prelude

Welcome & Greeting One Another

Gathering Song: *Angels From the Realms of Glory*, NC Hymnal #126

Advent Candlelighting & Litany

Children's Time - Sean P. Williams

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 35:1-10 & Luke 1:39-55

Sermon - Rev. Erika Marksbury

Response Song: *Angels We have Heard on High*, NC Hymnal #125

Prayers of Joy & Concern

Special Music: *Breath of Heaven* - Heidi Toth & Geoff Clayton

Closing Words

Going Forth Song: *Joy to the World*, NC Hymnal #132

Benediction

Postlude



*Thanks to Tegan Johnson, Dave King, Lara O'Brady,  
and Geoff Clayton for leading today's music.*

*the Sunday of Joy  
December 11, 2022*

# Our Statement of Welcome & Affirmation

The First Baptist Church of McMinnville is a creative, thoughtful, inclusive American Baptist congregation. Following the example of Jesus, the urging of the Spirit, the call of God, the challenge of the prophets, the legacy of those who have gone before us, and the insistence of our own consciences, we affirm the dignity and worth of all creation. As we proclaim and work toward the reign of justice and peace, we welcome all people. We rejoice in our diversity and seek to understand our differences as ways of more fully encountering the beauty and complexity of the image of God. We commit to creating a community where people of all ages, abilities, genders, gender expressions, sexual orientations, races, ethnicities, nationalities, experiences, backgrounds, and situations are celebrated as full participants, as together we strive to be faithful followers and proclaimers of Good News.

## This Week's Events

*Sunday, December 11 - 3rd Sunday of Advent*

After Worship - Pageant Rehearsal  
with Marilyn, in the Chapel

Fellowship time - Sam & Nancy Ross will host  
providing homemade goodies. Join us!

5-7:30pm - MYC at FPC

*Monday, December 12*

9am - STARS Breakfast

5:15pm - KidVenture

7pm - Together Works

8pm - Dad's group

*Tuesday, December 13*

8:30am - Building & Grounds

3pm - Meditation

*Wednesday, December 14*

6:30pm - Church Board

Evening Sister Circle

*Thursday, December 15*

9:45am - KnitWits @ Linda's

6pm - Bells / 6:30pm - Choir & Bells

7:30pm - Worship Team

*Friday, December 16*

9am - STARS Breakfast

12n - Bible Study

7:30pm-7:30am - Community Shelter

## December Advent Events

*Sunday, December 18 - 4th Sunday of Advent*

8:30am - Pageant Dress Rehearsal for Children & Youth  
Fellowship time - Children, Youth and Families will serve

holiday-themed treats in the Gathering Room

5-6:30pm - MYC Christmas Party at FPC.

*Monday, December 19*

9am - STARS Breakfast

11:30am - Dying Well

5:15pm - KidVenture

7pm - Care & Concern

*Tuesday, December 20*

3pm - Meditation

7pm - KnitWits at Gina's

7pm - Winter Solstice Ceremony

*Wednesday, December 21*

7pm - Service of Remembrance

*Thursday, December 22*

5:30 - Bells / 6:30 - Choir / 7:30pm Worship Team

*Friday, December 22*

9am - STARS Breakfast

7:30pm-7:30am - Community Shelter

*Saturday, December 24, 7pm - CHRISTMAS EVE*

Candlelight Service in the Sanctuary

*Sunday, December 25 - CHRISTMAS DAY Worship*

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