

# *The Worship of God*

Pre-Service and Prelude

Barbara Jacobs

Hymn for Advent 131

REGENT SQUARE

*Angels, from the Realms of Glory*

Lighting the Advent Candle of Love

The Daniel Calhoun Family

Welcome of Guests and Announcements

*First Baptist Church of Fitzgerald is an inclusive fellowship offering a place to grow, to serve, and to experience the unconditional love of God.*

*To Our Guests*

Thank you for joining us in worship today! We invite you to scan this QR Code so that we may get in touch with you, or to sign up for our newsletter.



*Joy to the World*

Congregation

*Joy to the world! the Lord is come; Let earth receive her King;  
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room, And heav'n and nature sing,  
And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.*

Children's Sermon

Carly Harper

*Following the Children's Sermon, preschool-kindergarten will exit to the preschool building while all other Children can return to sit with their families.*

Special Music

*Christmas Grace*

Sanctuary Choir  
arr. Kern

Reading of Scripture

Matthew 1:18-25

Dr. Jerry Mahan

Offertory Hymn 135

CHRISTMAS

*While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks*

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

Susan Spivey

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Sermon

*Joseph's Choice*

Dr. Mahan

Hymn of Commitment 145

*O Come, All Ye Faithful*

ADESTE FIDELES

Benediction

*Go, Tell It on the Mountain*

Congregation  
arr. Wolaver

Postlude

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Our Service of Worship has ended.  
Our Worship through Service begins.

You are Invited to Move to the Prayer Garden  
Following Worship for a brief time of Dedication.

Happy 90th Birthday Ms. La-Quita Carswell!

Congratulations on your 90th birthday on

Saturday, December 7, 2024.

May God bless you with abundant joy and peace.

Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>  
Third Sunday of Advent

Living Christmas Tree

11am and 6pm

Please invite all of your family and friends.

1:30pm - Deacons Meet in Mann Hall

1:30-2:30pm - Bridal Shower in Burch Hall honoring  
Emma Grant, Bride-Elect of Len Spivey

### Children's Ministry

Children's choir every Wednesday at 5:30pm and RAs, GAs, and Mission  
Friends at 6:00pm. Sunday School EVERY Sunday morning.

Family Christmas Party today in Burch Hall (5:00-7:00pm).

Mission Friends Nativity on December 18<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the Sanctuary.

Children's Choir will sing on December 22<sup>nd</sup> in Worship.

### Youth Ministry Events

WNL every Wednesday at 6:00pm and  
Sunday School EVERY Sunday morning.

Youth Ugly Christmas Sweater Party in the Youth Rm (6pm) this Wednesday.

### POINSETTIAS

In memory of Melba Mitchell by Lexie Lee and Logan Clemons

In memory of Felix and Emma Lee by Tyler, Leslie,  
Lexie Lee, and Logan Clemons

In memory of Ryan K. Griffin by the Griffin and Mitchell Families

In memory of Jerry M. Griffin by the Griffin and Mitchell Families

Ministers  
Interim Pastor  
Minister of Music & Youth  
Director of Children's Activities  
Organist  
Pianist

All Members  
Dr. Jerry Mahan  
Rev. Blane Jacobs  
Ms. Carly Harper  
Ms. Barbara Jacobs  
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# First Baptist Church

December 8, 2024

11 O'clock in the Morning



*First Baptist Church is a loving and caring Christian community seeking to extend the open hand of God's grace to meet physical and spiritual needs through worship, education, ministry, fellowship, and spiritual nurturing.*