## **Morning Worship** December 24, 2023

Angel Medley

Welcome

Sing We The Song Of Emmanuel

Love Comes Down - Jon and Ahna Oettel

\*The First Noel

Praver

Sermon Dr. Ken Parker, Senior Pastor

Once Upon - Mati Hilton, Aleesa Pierret, and Clara Black

Scripture Reading

Closing Prayer Brian Fields

\* (10:30am service) K-3rd grade dismiss to Children's Church Children need to be checked in to attend. Pick up is after service in room 216 upstairs.

If you would like to speak with someone about how to become a Christian, believer's baptism, joining the church or something else related to your faith, you're invited to the front at the conclusion of worship to talk with one of our staff members or deacons or their wives. They'll be there to meet you ...

December Scripture - And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saving, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!"

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THIS WEEK: DECEMBER 24 – DECEMBER 30

**SUNDAY** 

Worship... 10:30am Christmas Eve Services 3:00pm, 5:00pm, & 11:00pm

MONDAY

Church Office Closed

**TUESDAY** 

Church Office Closed

WEDNESDAY

Church Office Closed

**THURSDAY** 

No Scheduled Activities

FRIDAY

No Scheduled Activities

**SATURDAY** 

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Baby Shower (Cheyenne Beaty)...10:30am

**WELCOME TO** KEARNEY FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH



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## WE ARE GLAD YOU'RE HERE WITH US TODAY!

We're grateful to have all of you with us this morning in worship. If you're a guest with us, I want to extend a warm welcome on behalf of our church family. I want you to know we believe what we talk about here. Contrary to what a lot of people think, as Christians, we don't think we have it all together. In fact, we know we don't and that's why we're here. Most of us have looked for answers to life's questions in a lot of different places and we've found that Jesus really is the one with the answers, so our quest for understanding includes studying the book he's given to us . . . the Bible. We know people wrote it, but they were people that God inspired to do so.

So, we believe it!

If you'd like to talk about anything we talk about today or anything related to your experience, one of our staff or I would love the opportunity to visit with you. I hope you'll take the time to fill out the CONNECTION CARD and drop it in the offering plate at the end of the service.

We'll be in touch!

Thanks again for choosing to worship with us today.

Pastor Ken

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service – TONIGHT 3:00pm, 5:00pm, and 11:00pm. We will sing carols, share scripture, share in the celebration of the Lord's Supper, rejoice as we worship together, and leave with our hearts brimming with the Reason for the Season! We will be observing Believer's Baptism in these Christmas Eve services. Childcare will be provided at the 3:00pm, and 5:00pm for Pre-K and under.

Lottie Moon "pocket post office". Will be up and running in the Fireside Lobby through December 24. Feel free to leave your Christmas cards for the church family in the appropriate pocket and consider giving what you would normally spend on postage to our Lottie Moon Christmas offering. Be sure to check your last name initial pocket for cards left for your family each week leading up to Christmas.

**Baby Shower.** Join us for a Baby Shower honoring Cheyenne Beaty on December 30 at 10:30am in the Activity Center. Cheyenne is registered at babylist.com/list/baby-reg-cheyenne-beaty.

**The Women's Retreat.** LADIES, just a reminder! If you are planning to attend the ladies retreat to Branson, in April the \$150 deposit is due by January 7th. Information and registration forms are available at the welcome center.

New Sunday School Class. Start the New Year with us in a brand-new Sunday School Class at 9:15am in Room 209! Beginning Sunday, January 7, Dr. Dan Stammann will lead a theological study of the Book of Malachi. Study in a multi-generational class where all are welcome in a class environment that will encourage class discussion on relevant topics promoted by the Biblical text studied. For more information, contact Dan (816.585.1817). We look forward to seeing you in Sunday School!

**Operation Christmas Child.** We have collected \$5000 towards the shipping cost of our 577 church-packed shoeboxes, \$5770 needed. We will continue to collect through January 14. Please note that your donation is for "OCC". Thank you for supporting this ministry!

The Church office will be closed December 25-27.
The office will be open on December 28.

Our First Baptist Family will have the opportunity to share with our staff through a love offering which will be presented to the staff as a Christmas bonus.

Please designate "Staff Christmas Love Offering" on your check or envelope.

**2024 Reading Plan.** In 2024 our church family will focus on reading the New Testament together. We're calling this, "Foundation 180" By spending ten minutes a day reading God's word, you can complete the entire New Testament in 180 days. The New Testament becomes more significant when you discover it's all about Jesus, the Cross, and His work to form and shape you with His character, attitude, and love. So, while we of course encourage everyone to read the whole Bible, this year, we're especially encouraging you to read the New Testament. Reading plans are available at the Welcome Center.

**Social Media**. Follow us on Facebook (*First Baptist Church of Kearney*) and Instagram (*fbckearneymo*) for information regarding events about FBC and to watch Sunday sermons through Facebook livestream. We also have a group this is created for our church family to be able to ask for services or offer services that may be needed. We want to be able to support our church family as much as possible. Find us at *KFBC members helping members*.

Winter Weather Schedule. With winter upon us, please be aware of our WINTER WEATHER SCHEDULE in the event of snow and ice. Seldom do we cancel, but if weather dictates we need to adjust, we utilize our WINTER WEATHER SCHEDULE. If we announce the WINTER WEATHER SCHEDULE it simply means we'll be having 10:30am WORSHIP ONLY; everything else would be cancelled for Sunday morning. Whether there's an adjustment for a Sunday or a Wednesday evening, we will post cancellations on the church website: www.kearneyfbc.com and also on local KMBC Channel 9 news.

His Mission... Our Time. Renovation on the educational building is complete. This included heating and cooling units, enlarging classrooms, and redoing the surfaces. We've also successfully addressed security issues that we think will be very helpful. Please give weekly, monthly or online. Simply mark your check or envelope, His Mission, Our Time. Thank you so much for your continued support of "His Mission, Our Time."