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# THE INFORMER



Monthly church  
newsletter of  
Farmville Baptist Church

## FARMVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

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## Good News of Great Joy!

*"I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people!" -Luke 2:10*

Having small children at home is wonderful...exhausting...loud...never dull! Jonathan and Phoebe keep our lives full, and that's a good thing. There are so many parts of being a dad that I love, but one of my favorites is walking in the door at the end of the day. Phoebe runs and gives me a hug, which is absolutely amazing, and Jonathan almost knocks me down. But once the kids get a hug, my favorite part starts: they bubble over telling me about their days. Whatever has happened has excited them, and they cannot wait to share.

I think about their exuberance when I read this familiar verse from Luke. The angels of heaven have known for some time that the Messiah will be born. The angel Gabriel had announced it nine months before to Mary. But now, in the fields outside Bethlehem, the angels have been given clearance to shout it out to everyone: Jesus Christ is born! This was good news for everyone – and it was good news of great joy.

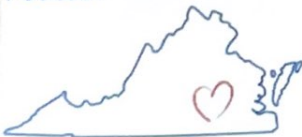
This Advent and Christmas, my prayer is that the news of Christ's birth brings you joy – great joy. If it does, I hope you will share that good news of great joy with others, through words of affirmation, acts of love and service, and lives filled with hope and peace, joy and love. Merry Christmas!

In Christ, Adam



## Our New Church Podcast

### The Farmville Baptist Podcast



Following Jesus in the Heart of Virginia

Just before Thanksgiving, our church launched a podcast as another way of sharing the life and work of Farmville Baptist Church with our members and our community. The podcast is intended to support you and all listeners as we follow Jesus together in the heart of Virginia. Episodes include our weekly sermons, reflections for life, and conversations with folks in our congregation and ministry partners in our community. If you are a longtime podcast listener, consider adding us to your playlist. If you have never tried a podcast before, this is a good place to start!

The Farmville Baptist Podcast can be found at [farmvillebaptistpodcast.podbean.com/](http://farmvillebaptistpodcast.podbean.com/). You can also subscribe to it on Podbean, Spotify, and Amazon Music so you never miss an episode!



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# Christmas Luncheon

Sunday, December 11, 2022 | 12:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

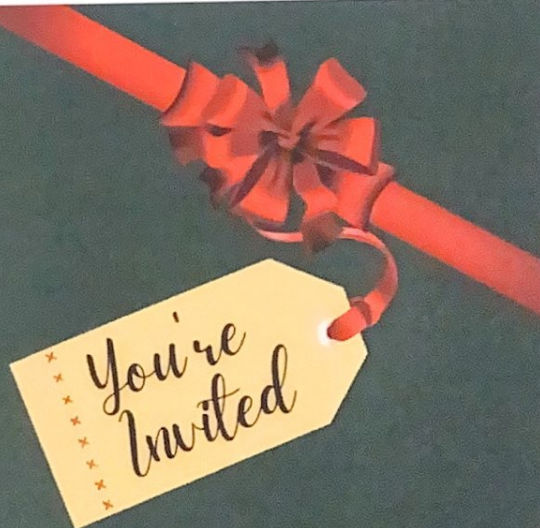
Please bring your favorite side dish or dessert to share!

RSVP to the Church Office by 12/08/2022.

## Simply Carols

COME. SING. LISTEN. ENJOY.  
SUNDAY DEC. 18 | 3 PM

We will gather together at Pastor Adam's house the Sunday before Christmas for a time of fellowship and singing some of our favorite holiday Carols.



*The Tyler's Residence*  
236 Country Club Road  
Keysville, VA

# Christmas

## EVE

### CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

DECEMBER 24 | 5:30 PM

## Stock Santa's Sleigh with Piedmont Geriatric Hospital

We have adopted 3 patients at the Piedmont Geriatric Hospital this holiday season, and we would like to fulfill their wish lists! Purchase one of the below items and return, *UNWRAPPED*, to church by December 11th.

**Please Note:** These wish list items are also posted on ornaments hung on the Christmas Tree in the Sanctuary entrance lobby near the handicap door.

- ◆ Clip-On Earrings
- ◆ Men's XL Sweat Suit
- ◆ Coloring Books
- ◆ Men's Size 8.5 Slip-On Shoes
- ◆ Men's Watch
- ◆ Men's Size M Sweat Suit
- ◆ Women's XL Stretchy Leggings
- ◆ Women's XL Shirts
- ◆ Men's Size M Boxer Briefs
- ◆ Nacho Doritos
- ◆ Red Hot Potato Chips
- ◆ Mint Gum
- ◆ Pudding Cups
- ◆ Little Debbie Snacks
- ◆ Ho-Ho's
- ◆ Ginger Ale
- ◆ Coke
- ◆ Sprite



# JOIN US THIS ADVENT SEASON AT FARMVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

SUNDAY, NOV. 27TH @ 11 AM

**HOPE**

SUNDAY, DEC. 11TH @ 11 AM

**PEACE**

SUNDAY, DEC. 4TH @ 11 AM

**JOY**

SUNDAY, DEC. 18TH @ 11 AM

**LOVE**

SATURDAY, DEC. 24TH

@ 5:30 PM

**CANDLELIGHT  
SERVICE**

SUNDAY, DEC. 25TH

@ 11 AM

**CHRIST**



# DECEMBER 2022

| Sunday                                                                                                                                                                    | Monday                                                                                         | Tuesday                                                                                                                                  | Wednesday                                                                                                    | Thursday                                                                     | Friday                                                                       | Saturday                                            |
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| 27<br>9:45am : Sunday School<br>11:00am : <i>Hanging of the Greens</i> Worship Service                                                                                    | 28<br>12:15pm : Daily Devotional                                                               | 29<br>12:15pm : Daily Devotional<br>5:45pm : Bell Choir Practice<br>6:45pm : Choir Rehearsal                                             | 30<br>12:15pm : Daily Devotional<br>7:00pm : Virtual Bible Study                                             | 1<br>Happy Birthday<br>Vanessa Arauaz                                        | 2<br>12:15pm : Daily Devotional                                              | 3                                                   |
| 4<br>Happy Birthday<br>Cindy Cave<br>9:45am : Sunday School<br>11:00am : <i>2nd Sunday of Advent</i> Worship Service<br>2:00pm : Christmas Parade<br>6:00pm : FYC at FUMC | 5<br>12:15pm : Daily Devotional                                                                | 6<br>12:15pm : Daily Devotional<br>5:45pm : Bell Choir Practice<br>6:45pm : Choir Rehearsal                                              | 7<br>12:15pm : Daily Devotional<br>7:00pm : Virtual Bible Study                                              | 8<br>12:15pm : Daily Devotional                                              | 9<br>12:15pm : Daily Devotional                                              | 10<br>Happy Birthday<br>Jewel Moore                 |
| 11<br>9:45am : Sunday School<br>11:00am : <i>3rd Sunday of Advent</i> Worship Service<br>12:00pm : Church<br>Christmas Luncheon<br>6:00pm : FYC at FUMC                   | 12<br>12:15pm : Daily Devotional                                                               | 13<br>12:15pm : Daily Devotional<br>5:45pm : Bell Choir Practice<br>6:45pm : Choir Rehearsal                                             | 14<br>12:15pm : Daily Devotional<br>7:00pm : Virtual Bible Study                                             | 15<br>Happy Birthday<br>Sandy Burruss                                        | 16<br>Happy Birthday<br>Jim Huskey                                           | 17<br>Happy Birthday<br>Phyllis Tyler               |
| 18<br>9:45am : Sunday School<br>11:00am : Worship Service<br>3:00pm : Caroling at the<br>Tylers' Home<br>6:00pm : FYC Christmas<br>Party at FUMC                          | 19<br>NO SCHOOL: FBC<br>Preschool Winter Break<br>12:15pm : Daily Devotional                   | 20<br>NO SCHOOL: FBC<br>Preschool Winter Break<br>12:15pm : Daily Devotional<br>5:45pm : Bell Choir Practice<br>6:45pm : Choir Rehearsal | 21<br>NO SCHOOL: FBC<br>Preschool Winter Break<br>12:15pm : Daily Devotional<br>7:00pm : Virtual Bible Study | 22<br>NO SCHOOL: FBC<br>Preschool Winter Break<br>12:15pm : Daily Devotional | 23<br>NO SCHOOL: FBC<br>Preschool Winter Break<br>12:15pm : Daily Devotional | 24<br>5:30pm : Candlelight<br>Christmas Eve Service |
| 25<br>Happy Birthday<br>Walter Alderman<br>11:00am : <i>Christmas Sunday</i><br>Worship Service                                                                           | 26<br>Church Office CLOSED<br>for Christmas Monday<br>NO SCHOOL: FBC<br>Preschool Winter Break | 27<br>NO SCHOOL: FBC<br>Preschool Winter Break<br>5:45pm : Bell Choir Practice<br>6:45pm : Choir Rehearsal                               | 28<br>NO SCHOOL: FBC<br>Preschool Winter Break                                                               | 29<br>NO SCHOOL: FBC<br>Preschool Winter Break                               | 30<br>NO SCHOOL: FBC<br>Preschool Winter Break                               | 31<br>NO SCHOOL: FBC<br>Preschool Winter Break      |

**SAVE THE DATE:** Sunday, January 1, 2023 there will be Worship Service at 11:00am; no adult Bible Study meeting.

## ADULT BIBLE STUDY

JOIN US FOR *IN-PERSON* BIBLE STUDY EVERY SUNDAY MORNING AT 9:45 AM

JOIN US FOR *VIRTUAL* BIBLE STUDY EVERY WEDNESDAY EVENING AT 7:00 PM

ZOOM MEETING ID 271-659-616 WITH PASSCODE 688863

# PLEDGE SUNDAY IS DECEMBER 11

Bringing our 2023 pledges to God as we joyfully  
anticipate our next year together.



*"God was wonderful to us; we are one happy  
people. And now, God, do it again..."*

-Psalm 126:3-4 (The Message)

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## UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

|             |          |                                                                                                                                                                   |
|-------------|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| December 4  | 9:45 AM  | In-Person Adult Bible Study Gathering in the Church Parlor                                                                                                        |
| December 4  | 11:00 AM | 2nd Sunday of Advent— <i>Peace</i> —Worship Service in Church Sanctuary and via Zoom with Meeting ID: 626 833 551 and Passcode 592659                             |
| December 4  | 2:00 PM  | Farmville Jaycee's Christmas Parade in Downtown Farmville                                                                                                         |
| December 6  | 5:45 PM  | Bell Choir Practice in Church Sanctuary                                                                                                                           |
| December 6  | 6:30 PM  | Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal in Choir Room                                                                                                                           |
| December 7  | 7:00 PM  | Virtual Bible Study via Zoom Meeting ID: 271 659 616 and Passcode 688863                                                                                          |
| December 11 | All Day  | <b>Pledge Sunday</b> —Please bring your pledge cards to church with you today                                                                                     |
| December 11 | 9:45AM   | In-Person Adult Bible Study in the Church Parlor                                                                                                                  |
| December 11 | 11:00 AM | 3rd Sunday of Advent— <i>Joy</i> —Worship Service in Church Sanctuary and via Zoom with Meeting ID: 626 833 551 and Passcode 592659                               |
| December 11 | 12:00 PM | Deacon's <b>Christmas Luncheon</b> in the Fellowship Hall directly following Worship                                                                              |
| December 13 | 5:45 PM  | Bell Choir Practice in Church Sanctuary                                                                                                                           |
| December 13 | 6:30 PM  | Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal in Choir Room                                                                                                                           |
| December 14 | 7:00 PM  | Virtual Bible Study via Zoom Meeting ID: 271 659 616 and Passcode 688863                                                                                          |
| December 18 | 9:45 AM  | In-Person Adult Bible Study in the Church Parlor                                                                                                                  |
| December 18 | 11:00 AM | 4th Sunday of Advent— <i>Love</i> —Worship Service in Church Sanctuary and via Zoom with Meeting ID: 626 833 551 and Passcode 592659                              |
| December 18 | 3:00 PM  | Christmas Caroling & Fellowship at the Tylers' Home                                                                                                               |
| December 20 | 5:45 PM  | Bell Choir Practice in Church Sanctuary                                                                                                                           |
| December 20 | 6:30 PM  | Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal in Choir Room                                                                                                                           |
| December 21 | All Day  | <b><i>Winter Begins</i></b>                                                                                                                                       |
| December 21 | 7:00 PM  | Virtual Bible Study via Zoom Meeting ID: 271 659 616 and Passcode 688863                                                                                          |
| December 24 | All Day  | <b><i>Merry Christmas Eve!</i></b>                                                                                                                                |
| December 24 | 5:30 PM  | Candlelight Christmas Eve Service                                                                                                                                 |
| December 25 | All Day  | <b><i>Merry Christmas!</i></b>                                                                                                                                    |
| December 25 | 11:00 AM | <i>Christmas Morning</i> Worship Service in Church Sanctuary, led by Rev. Dr. Adam Tyler ~ In-Person & Virtual via zoom Meeting ID: 626 833 551 & Passcode 592659 |
| December 26 | All Day  | Church Office Closed for Christmas Monday                                                                                                                         |
| December 27 | 5:45 PM  | Bell Choir Practice in Church Sanctuary                                                                                                                           |
| December 27 | 6:30 PM  | Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal in Choir Room                                                                                                                           |
| January 1   | 11:00 AM | Worship Service in Church Sanctuary, led by Rev. Dr. Adam Tyler ~ In-Person & Virtual via zoom Meeting ID: 626 833 551 & Passcode 592659                          |