



# FIRST SCOTS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Of Beaufort*

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## THE LORD'S DAY

### December 21, 2025

**Sunday School: 9:30AM (all ages)**

**Morning Worship Service: 10:40AM**

**Evening Worship Service: 5PM**

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# Prayer of Preparation: Christmas Eve Meditation

(from *The Valley of Vision*)

O source of all good,  
What shall I render to you for the gift  
of gifts,  
your own dear Son?

Herein is wonder of wonders;  
he came below to raise me above,  
was born like me that I might become  
like him.

Herein is love;  
when I cannot rise to him he draws  
near on wings of grace,  
to raise me to himself.

Herein is power;  
when Deity and humanity were  
infinitely apart,  
he united them in indissoluble unity,  
the uncreate and the created.

Herein is wisdom;  
when I was undone, with no will to  
return to him,  
and no intellect to devise recovery,  
he came, God-incarnate, to save me to  
the uttermost,  
as man to die my death,  
to shed satisfying blood on my behalf,

to work out a perfect righteousness for  
me!

O God, take me in spirit to the  
watchful shepherds,  
and enlarge my mind!

Let me hear good tidings of great joy,  
and hearing, believe, rejoice, praise,  
adore,  
my conscience bathed in an ocean of  
repose,  
my eyes uplifted to a reconciled  
Father!

Place me with ox, donkey, camel,  
goat,  
to look with them upon my  
Redeemer's face,  
and in him account myself delivered  
from sin!

Let me with Simeon clasp the  
newborn child to my heart,  
embrace him with undying faith,  
exulting that he is mine and I am his!

In him you have given me so much  
that heaven can give no more.

*Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please contact us at [admin@firstscotsbeaufort.org](mailto:admin@firstscotsbeaufort.org) or  
call 843-379-0134 for more information. Office hours: Monday-Thursday, 10AM-2PM.*

# THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

## DECEMBER 21, 2025

*Parents, we are delighted for your little ones to join us in worship! If they need to stretch their legs or lungs during the service, please feel free to use the Worshippers in Training (WIT) room or the nursery.*

**WELCOME**

Elder Carroll Wontrop

### **CALL TO WORSHIP: PSALM 96:1-3**

[1]Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth! [2]Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day. [3]Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom 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 kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**\*OPENING HYMN:**                      Angels, from the Realms of Glory                      Trinity Hymnal #218

### **OLD TESTAMENT READING/CALL TO CONFESSION: ISAIAH 60:1-6**

[1]Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. [2]For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you. [3]And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. [4]Lift up your eyes all around, and see; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from afar, and your daughters shall be carried on the hip. [5]Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and exult, because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. [6]A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall bring good news, the praises of the LORD.

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON: LUKE 2:10-11**

[10]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. [11]For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

**PRAYER OF INTERCESSION**

**OFFERING:**

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION:**      What Child Is This      Trinity Hymnal #213

**SERMON:**      “JESUS, LORD AT THY BIRTH”      Rev. Tom Brown  
Matthew 2:1-12

**\*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING:** Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come    Trinity Hymnal #195

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:**      Go, Tell It on the Mountain, #224 (Stanza 3)

*Down in a lowly manger our humble Christ was born,  
and God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn.  
Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and every where;  
go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.*

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*\*Congregation Standing*

# MORNING SERMON TEXT

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[1]Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, [2]saying, “Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.” [3]When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; [4]and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. [5]They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet: [6]‘And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.’” [7]Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. [8]And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him.” [9]After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. [10]When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. [11]And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. [12]And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way. —Matthew 2:1-12

## MORNING SERMON OUTLINE & NOTES

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### **I. TWO RESPONSES TO THE BIRTH OF THE LORD JESUS (v. 1-3)**

# MORNING SERMON OUTLINE & NOTES (CONT'D)

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## **II. THE RESPONSE OF HOSTILITY (v. 4-8)**

## **III. THE RESPONSE OF WORSHIP (v. 9-12)**

# THE LORD'S DAY EVENING

## December 21, 2025

*Hymn Sing*

Deacon Geoff Back

*Call to Worship*

Revelation 11:15

Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever."

*\*Opening Hymn:*

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

Trinity Hymnal #203

*Scripture Reading:*

Luke 23:1-25

*Evening Prayer*

*Scripture Reading & Sermon:* "THE GLORY OF THE PROMISED SON" Rev. Tom Brown  
Isaiah 9:6

*\*Hymn of Preparation:*

Of the Father's Love Begotten  
*Stanzas 1 through 3*

Trinity Hymnal #162

*Sacrament of the Lord's Supper*

*\*Hymn of Gratitude:*

Of the Father's Love Begotten  
*Stanzas 4 and 5*

Trinity Hymnal #162

*\*Benediction*

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*\*Congregation Standing*

# ISAIAH 9:6

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[6]For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

## EVENING SERMON NOTES

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# EVENING SERMON NOTES (CONT'D)

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