

JAMES ISLAND BAPTIST CHURCH

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All Hail King Jesus

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SCHEDULE

- Advent begins November 30
Sundays at 9am & 11am
- Christmas Eve Service
Candlelight Communion & Carols
4 pm & 6 pm

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the church at Riverland Terrace

James Island Baptist Church Staff

Pastor: Tom Brown
Associate Pastor: Kyle Hooss
Worship Pastor: David Martin
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Ministry Assistant: Neale Young
Weekday Preschool Director: Laura Holmes



The Church at Riverland Terrace
JAMES ISLAND BAPTIST

Perspectives

Pastor Kyle

THE CALL OF CHRISTMAS

Over 2000 years ago, during the very first Christmas, we received a wonderful model of how to worship our King in both our initial coming and ongoing journey to find and worship Him.

Initially, shepherds received the call of Christmas from angels who announced the wonderful news that Jesus was born. Luke 2:16 tells us that the shepherds “hurried off” to find Him. I believe God was pleased with how quickly they responded and then shared the news of his birth with others. Matthew 2:1-12 tells us that Magi from the east received the call of Christmas as well. They saw a star, and they began their journey to find the new King that it represented. Eventually, they found and worshiped Him by giving Him special treasures. I believe God was pleased with their pursuit and faithfulness.

The initial and ongoing call of Christmas applies this advent season as well. Our King is pleased when we come quickly and share Him with others, even if we may not initially look or smell like we think we should. After all, the shepherds came “from the fields.” God will be pleased with sincere hearts of worship! He is worthy of our initial praise and ongoing surrender throughout the journey of our lives.

With this call of Christmas in mind, here at James Island Baptist Church, we are making the journey to the humble manger by serving Him by serving others. Our heart is that everyone would receive the good news of great joy. Jesus, God with Us - Immanuel, has been born!

Join us this advent season by first sharing the Good News! One of many great ways to do that is by inviting others to come to church during this season. Whether for one of our Sunday services or for Christmas Eve, many are open to respond this time of year. Also, we would love for everyone to participate by bringing special “treasures” as well. While they may not be gold, frankincense or myrrh, these treasures include jars of jelly or bottles of syrup for James Island Outreach, toys for Hurricane Relief in Eastern Tennessee/Western North Carolina – deadline is December 8th, or financial donations for International Missions.

Thank you church family and friends for responding so quickly and faithfully to the call of Christmas this advent season!

In Christ,

Pastor Kyle



CHURCH-WIDE CHRISTMAS CAROLING

DECEMBER 17

6:30 PM

Come and join the Awana kids for a fun time of Christmas Caroling at the Bishop Gadsden Rehab Facility. Help us make the season merry and bright the patients!



**WOMEN ON MISSION
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9
10 AM in Room 202**

God is using the arts to point people to Him in Belgium and right here in Charleston. Join us to hear the testimony of one of our own artists, Kat Cumberledge. All are invited!

Prisoner Packet Update

Because you gave, hearts will be touched. We were able to make 110 packets from the items you donated. Women on Mission thanks you for blessing prisoners with your generosity!

CHRISTMAS CAROLING & LUNCH

**Friday, December 12
9:30 AM**



Join us for a heartwarming time of Christmas caroling at The Addison in West Ashley as we bring cheer to the residents and lead in a sing-along of Christmas carols and seasonal favorites. After visiting with the residents, we'll pick up our friend, Joyce Southwell, to take to lunch with us.

Sign up on the bulletin board or call/text Cheryl Parish at 843-270-1453.

This Advent Season you have the opportunity to bless some of our favorite mission/outreach ministries



James Island Outreach
Jelly Pancake Syrup

International Missions Offering

Eastern TN/Western NC Hurricane Relief
New or gently used toys (unwrapped) for ages 0 –14
Deadline for toys is December 8

Prayer Requests

Family and Friends

- Myrtle Maull
- Gene Schurlknight
- Willa Mae Mincey
- Larry Alexander
- Jada Benton
- David Hall
- Mel Bell
- Debbie McLawhorn
- Eric Heitman
- Bill & Carollee Simmons
- Nancy Bryson Schwartz
- Jim Sherard
- Anna Gaskins

- Georgia Baldwin
- Austyn, Caroline (Koch)
- Niccolls and Katie
- Alston Pauls
- Liz Burrell
- Bubba & Stella Burnham
- Carolyn Benton
- Sneed Family
- Rett Iler
- Louise Frye

Mission/Ministry Prayer

- Zion Church
- Ukraine
- Weekday Preschool
- Recovery Ministry
- James Island Outreach
- Opportunity House
- Luz Y Verdad
- Charles and Judy Dillon: Carpenter's House Global
- John and Yi Ling Pittman: Asia
- Pastor Marius & Cristina Moisin: Romania



Wise Men and Women Still Seek Him



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Ongoing Events

Sundays

- 9:00a Worship Service
10:00a Sunday Connection Groups
for all ages
11:00a Worship Service
Luz Y Verdad (Hispanic
Church)
Preschool & Children's
Worship
5:30p Celebrate Recovery
6:00p Youth Group

Monday—Friday (September—May)

- 9:00a - Riverland Terrace Day School
12:00p

Wednesday (September—May)

- 5:00p Family Fellowship Dinner
6:00p AWANA (3k—5th grade)



How to Give to JIBC

Give in person

Give online at
jamesislandbaptist.com or
Text the word GIVE to
843-762-0244

Mail your contribution to
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A Look At The Numbers...

Projected budget through October 2025:	\$830,403
Actual received through October 2025:	\$846,961
2025 weekly budget requirement:	\$19,312
This week's budget receipts: 11/23/25	\$20,007



Wednesday, December 10, 2025

Burrito casserole, Spanish rice,
salad and dessert

\$5 adult, \$3 per child

There are so many great things happening at JIBC
and we don't want you to miss out! You can stay
connected several ways:



The Church Website: www.JamesIslandBaptist.com

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