

## 2 Samuel 7:1–17

7 Now when the king lived in his house and the Lord had given him rest from all his surrounding enemies, <sup>2</sup> the king said to Nathan the prophet, “See now, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the ark of God dwells in a tent.” <sup>3</sup> And Nathan said to the king, “Go, do all that is in your heart, for the Lord is with you.”

<sup>4</sup> But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan, <sup>5</sup> “Go and tell my servant David, ‘Thus says the Lord: Would you build me a house to dwell in?’ <sup>6</sup> I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent for my dwelling. <sup>7</sup> In all places where I have moved with all the people of Israel, did I speak a word with any of the judges of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, ‘Why have you not built me a house of cedar?’” <sup>8</sup> Now, therefore, thus you shall say to my servant David, ‘Thus says the Lord of hosts, I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, that you should be prince over my people Israel. <sup>9</sup> And I have been with you wherever you went and have cut off all your enemies from before you. And I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. <sup>10</sup> And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may dwell in their own place and be disturbed no more. And violent men shall afflict them no more, as formerly, <sup>11</sup> from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel. And I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. <sup>12</sup> When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. <sup>13</sup> He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. <sup>14</sup> I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son. When he commits iniquity, I will discipline him with the rod of men, with the stripes of the sons of men, <sup>15</sup> but my steadfast love will not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away from before you. <sup>16</sup> And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever.’” <sup>17</sup> In accordance with all these words, and in accordance with all this vision, Nathan spoke to David.

## Matthew 1:1

1 The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.

Welcome! To all who are weary and need rest, to all who mourn and seek comfort, to all who are lonely and need friendship, to all who sin and need a Savior, Redeemer Church Murfreesboro opens wide its doors to you. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, you are welcome!

# We Worship the Lord Together

Praise the LORD in Scripture

Revelation 22

- Leader

“Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay each one for what he has done.
- Congregation

**I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.”**
- Leader

“I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches.
- Congregation

**I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.” Praise King Jesus!**

Praise the LORD in Song

Angels We Have Heard On High

- INTRO

Gloria in excelsis Deo

Angels we have heard on high  
Sweetly singing o'er the plains  
And the mountain in reply  
Echo back their joyous strains

CHORUS

Gloria Gloria in excelsis Deo (2X)

Shepherds why this jubilee  
Why your joyous strains prolong  
What the gladsome tidings be  
Which inspire your heav'nly song
- Come to Bethlehem and see  
Him Whose birth the angels sing  
Come adore on bended knee  
Christ the Lord the newborn King

See Him in a manger laid  
Whom the choirs of angels praise  
Mary Joseph lend your aid  
While our hearts in love we raise
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## Pastoral Prayer

## Advent Readings

Praise the LORD for our Children

Children's Lesson

Praise the LORD in Giving

Offering

# We Are Built Up Together

## Scripture Reading & Sermon

2 Samuel 7:1-17, Matthew 1:1

## Praise the LORD in Song

*O Come All Ye Faithful*

O Come, all ye faithful,  
Joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
Come and behold him,  
Born the King of angels;

### CHORUS

O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,  
Christ the Lord.

God of God,  
Light of Light,  
Lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb:  
Very God,  
Begotten, not created;

Sing, choirs of angels,  
Sing in exultation,  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;  
Glory to God  
In the highest;

See how the shepherds,  
Summoned to his cradle,  
Leaving their flocks, draw nigh to gaze;  
We too will thither  
Bend our joyful footsteps;

Child, for us sinners  
Poor and in the manger,  
We would embrace Thee, with love and awe;  
Who would not love Thee,  
Loving us so dearly?

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee,  
Born this happy morning;  
Jesus, to Thee be all glory given;  
Word of the Father,  
Now in flesh appearing;

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## Respond through Declaring our Faith

*The Westminster Shorter Catechism*

Q.26. How does Christ execute the office of a king?

**A. Christ executes the office of a king, in subduing us to Himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all His and our enemies.**

*Acts 15:14-16; Isa. 33:22; Isa. 32:1-2; 1 Cor. 15:25.*

## Confession of Sin & Assurance of Pardon

### Confession of Sin

Holy Father, we confess to You our neglect and forgetfulness of Your holy commandments. We confess the hurt we have done to others and the mercy we have left undone. Change our minds and hearts and bring greater peace, hope, joy, and love to Your children this Advent season. Amen.

### Assurance of Pardon

“For unto us a child is born, to us a Son is given, and the government shall be upon His shoulders. And His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.” To all who are in Christ, you are forgiven and have peace with God forever!

## Receive the LORD's Supper

## *What Child Is This*

What child is this, who, laid to rest,  
On Mary's lap is sleeping?  
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,  
While shepherds watch are keeping?

### *CHORUS*

This, this is Christ the King,  
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:  
Haste, haste, to bring Him laud,  
The Babe, the Son of Mary.

Why lies He in such mean estate,  
Where ox and ass are feeding?  
Good Christians, fear, for sinners here  
The silent Word is pleading.

Nails, spear shall pierce him through,  
The cross be borne for me, for you.  
Hail, hail the Word made flesh,  
The Babe, the Son of Mary.

So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh,  
Come peasant, king, to own Him,  
The King of kings salvation brings,  
Let loving hearts enthrone Him.

Raise, raise a song on high,  
The virgin sings her lullaby.  
Joy, joy for Christ is born!  
The Babe, the Son of Mary.

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## Receive the Benediction

### **Announcements:**

1. As the end of our budgeting year comes to a close, make sure to check our financial giving update on the weekly email.
2. Join us for our Christmas Eve Service at 5p on 12/24. This is a wonderful opportunity to invite family and friends to worship with us!
3. On Sunday, December 28, we'll gather for Adult Sunday School as we conclude our study of the Apostles' Creed. We'd love for you to join us!
4. A new Bible Study group for ladies will be starting Thursdays, 1/15 - 3/5, 6:30 PM at the home of Kathy Brown. We will be studying material by Paige Brown. Please see Kathy for more details.

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### Monthly Financial Update

*Fiscal Year beginning January 1, 2025  
as of December 7, 2025*

Anticipated Giving TYD	\$182,166.00
Actual Giving YTD	\$175,398.00
Difference YTD	(-\$6,768)

### Operations—2025 Annual Budget \$195,327

Current Operations Reserve*	\$55,378
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\*Reserve = funds over and above 2.5 months of budgeted operating expenses

### Defined Savings

Building Fund	\$81,151
Other Defined Savings	\$14,424



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