

10:45 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

PRELUDE Candace Ross

Sing We the Song of Emmanuel Children and Congregation
Natalie Meldrum, Audrey Wells, Jackson Weaver

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

RESPONSIVE READING Bobie Miller

JOY

WELCOME Bobie Miller

Hark the Herald (King of Heaven) All Worshipers

Crown Him (Glory in the Highest) All Worshipers

O Come All Ye Faithful (His Name Shall Be) All Worshipers

OFFERTORY PRAYER Bryan Parker

God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen Intergenerational Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Patrick Kendrick

Isaiah 50:4-11

MESSAGE Dr. Daniel Crowther

JOY IN THE SHADOWS

HYMN OF RESPONSE All Worshipers

The Servant King

BENEDICTION SONG All Worshipers

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

POSTLUDE Candace Ross

All scriptures are from CSB unless noted otherwise
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OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, December 14

Bible Study for all ages 9:30 AM

Worship and Livestream 10:45 AM

KID ZONE TODAY

Spanish Worship Service, FLC 2:00 PM

A South Main Bethlehem, Quiet Place 5:00 PM - 8:30 PM

MONDAY, December 15

Bethlehem Back-in-the-Box, Outside Grounds 8:00 AM

Aerobics, FLC (M, T) 9:00 AM

Living Well Class, FLC (M, T) 10:15 AM

WEDNESDAY, December 17

ESL Christmas Luncheon, Great Hall BCEF 9:00 AM

Twice-Fed Lunch & Affirmation of Budget, Great Hall 12:00 PM

Prayer for the Nation, Prayer Room 5:00 PM

Praise Band Practice, Worship Center 5:00 PM

Family Meal, Great Hall 5:30 PM

TeamKID Christmas Party, Kids Place 6:30 PM

Youth Ministry Christmas Party, Student Area 6:30 PM

Church Affirmation of Budget, Great Hall 6:30 PM

Adult Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room 7:30 PM

THURSDAY, December 18

Aerobics, Kids Place 9:00 AM

Mixed Steps (LIFE Class) Christmas Party, FLC 10:00 AM

Living Well, Kids Place 10:15 AM

Journey SS Class Fellowship, Great Hall CF 10:30 AM

FRIDAY, December 19

Youth Christmas Movie Night, Student Area 6:00 PM

Pathfinders Christmas Party, Great Hall 6:00 PM

SATURDAY, December 20

Rooftop Christmas Party, FLC 9:00 AM

Men & Women in the Word Christmas Party, Great Hall CF 5:30 PM

FOR THE RECORD . . . December 7, 2025	
Sunday School Attendance	2262
South Main	563
Mission Ministry	1699
Morning Worship Attendance	549
Mission & Ministry Budget Offering	\$ 115,282.73
Lottie Moon Offering to Date	\$ 6,611.69

Year End Giving

In order to comply with IRS requirements, contributions for 2025 must be received (or postmarked) on December 31st in order to be placed on the 2025 contribution statement.

Contributions received after the December 31st deadline must be counted as a 2026 contribution.

It's time for:

- Catch-up giving
- Maximizing your giving
- Over and above giving

OUR LOVED ONES IN THE HOSPITAL (December 12, 2025)

Harry “Joe” Dutton, *Kindred Care Hospital* - Webster

Helen Gray (Billie Ellis & Jane Logan’s sister-in-law), *St. Luke’s TMC*

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR . . .

Bubba Calhoun

Barbara Chaddock

Frank Fuller

Pam Hodson

Beth Humphrey

Nancy Johnson

Pat King

Bev Lewis

Ruth Ann Alston (Tommie Randall’s nephew’s wife)

Mark Fuller (Frank & Pat Fuller’s son)

Madalyn Gibb (Mitch & Trish Gibb’s daughter-in-law)

Edith Mendoza (Mission Pastor Leo Mendoza’s wife)

(A complete prayer list is located in the church office.)

JOY IN THE SHADOWS

ISAIAH 50:4-11

The Gospel According to Isaiah

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ISAIAH

AN ADVENT SERIES

- Joy Begins with Listening (vs. 4)
- Joy Grows through Obedience (vs. 5-6)
- Joy Endures by Trust (vs. 7-9)
- Joy is Chosen in the Shadows (vs. 10-11)

For further personal reflection and application

1. What spiritual practice or discipline would help you listen to God “each morning”?
2. Where are you tempted to “turn back” in obedience to God?
3. What shadow are you facing where you need to trust, “The Lord God will help me”?
4. Where are you lighting your own torch instead of leaning on God?

BETHLEHEM BACK IN THE BOX

Monday, December 15
8:00 AM
Outside Grounds

Final packing up of Bethlehem

- Jobs for all skill levels
- Bring screw gun (if you have one), gloves and nail apron
- Lunch provided

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS

Benefiting Pasadena Community Ministries

\$15 pays for a large turkey
\$50 pays for a food basket

Make checks payable to “Pasadena Community Ministries” and place in an offering envelope

YOUTH CHRISTMAS MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, December 19
Student Area
6:00 PM

CHRISTMAS EVE CHOIR

Sign up your friends & family to sing in the Christmas Eve Choir

- 4:45 PM Rehearsal in the Choir Room
- 5:00 PM Christmas Eve Service

To sign up contact Jane Logan, 281-487-8200 or jalogan@southmain.org

POINSETTIAS

Give a poinsettia in honor or memory of your loved ones.

Cost: \$15

Forms available at the Welcome Desk or scan the code.

Deadline: December 17

ESL CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

Donate new or gently used Christmas items to be given at the ESL Luncheon on December 17.

Please bring donations to the church office.

BUDGET AFFIRMATION

Wednesday, December 17
12 noon or 6:30 p.m.
in the Great Hall

SOUNDS OF THE SEASON

Sunday, December 21
5:30 PM
Worship Center

All Choirs Performing
Hot Cocoa & Cookies follow in the Great Hall

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Candlelight Service

Wednesday
December 24
5:00 PM

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ISAIAH

AN ADVENT SERIES

Dr. Daniel Crowther, Pastor

December 14, 2025



ENGAGING and EQUIPPING others
to EXPERIENCE and SHARE
God’s Transforming Love

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