



Bible Studies

Trusting God in Trouble Times (Adult Bible Study) Sunday at 11:45 a.m. In Connections. Today lesson 19 "Jeans of Joy & Shirts of Praise" based on Isaiah 61. It deals with joyful work for God's Kingdom. There will be no lesson on December 29th, resuming on January 5th .

Torah Class: Resuming Tuesday, January 7, 2020.

Lunchtime Service

Join us on Tuesday, December 17th for a mid week service from 12:15 p.m. to 12:45 p.m. in the Sanctuary, reflecting on Psalms 12. We will have a Christmas break after December 17th, resuming on January 7th.



Wednesday - Our Day of Prayer

FBC is devoted to prayer. Join us this Wednesday to our last prayer meetings of the 2019:

7:30 a.m. at the Manse (Pray together)

12:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary*

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*Please contact the church office, if you would like to pray with a Pastor during this time.

We will resume on January 8th.

You can also join us to pray on Sundays at 9:40 a.m. in the Prayer Room.

If you have an urgent or confidential prayer request, please contact Erna at 403-284-3737 to be included in the prayer chain.

Special Christmas Offering

Today we are collecting our Special Christmas Offering towards the Calgary International Learning Centre (CILC). Please consider giving to this ongoing ministry which offers English classes here at First Baptist Church. Please use a pew envelope and mark it as "Special Offering". Deposit your envelope during the offering time.

FBC THIS WEEK

Tuesday, December 17

12:15 p.m. Lunchtime Service (Sanctuary)

Wednesday, December 18

7:30 a.m. Prayer (Manse)

12:00 p.m. Prayer (Sanctuary)

1:00 p.m. Vintage Bronze (Underwood Room)

7:00 p.m. Prayer (Manse)

7:00 p.m. ELL Bible Study (South Wing)

Thursday, December 19

6:30 p.m. Caroling (Steps of the Sanctuary)

Sunday, December 22

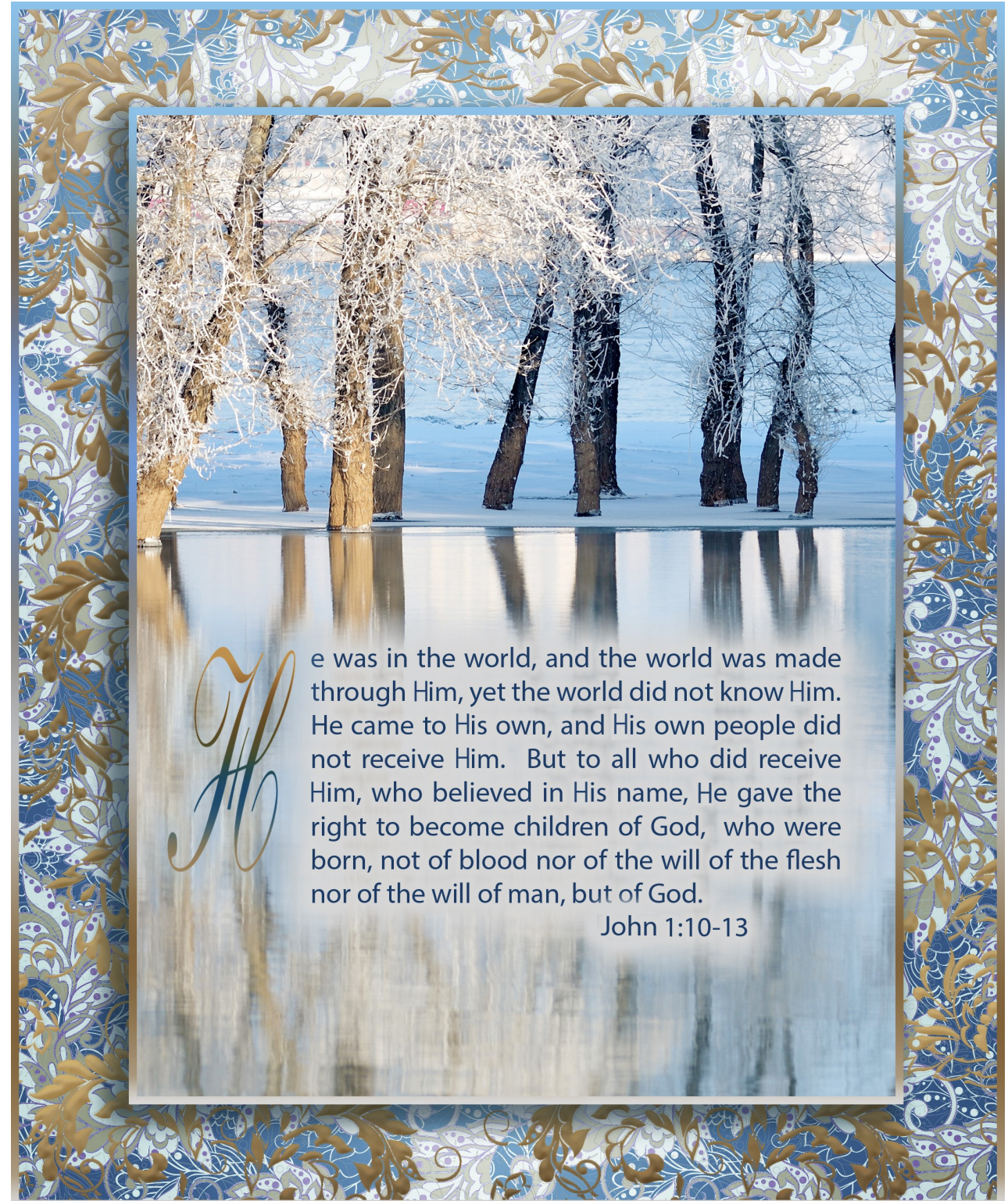
9:40 a.m. Pre-Service Prayer (Prayer Room)

10:00 a.m. Morning Service (Sanctuary)

11:30 a.m. High School Bible Study (West Wing)

11:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class (Connections)

CONTRIBUTIONS		ATTENDANCE
Budget YTD	\$579,519	Sunday Service
Current YTD	\$598,486	183
Variance YTD	\$18,967	



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was in the world, and the world was made through Him, yet the world did not know Him. He came to His own, and His own people did not receive Him. But to all who did receive Him, who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

John 1:10-13

For specific information, please refer to our website: www.firstbaptistcalgary.net facebook:/FirstBaptistCalgary



Welcome to First Baptist Church

Our Mission: Making disciples of Jesus from all nations. Matt. 28:18-20

Our Foundation: Devoted to Prayer and God's Word. Acts 6:1-7

Our Motivation: Loving God and loving others. Matt. 22:37-40

Our prayer is that every disciple and together as a church we are:

- Worshiping
- Fellowshiping
- Growing
- Serving
- Multiplying

Lead Pastor:
Norm Derkson

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Shaun Martens

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Order of Worship

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2019

3rd Sunday of Advent: Joy

Songs of Praise

**O Little Town of Bethlehem* - #141

**The First Noel* - #136

Prayer

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Reading from the Epistles

1 John 3:1-10 (p. 1211) - Linda Westwood

Ministry Prayer

Our Offerings & Response

Breath of Heaven (Grant & Eaton) - Pat Yerex,
Norma Webb, Ymene Fouley, Madelyn Martens,
Kaitlin Krell, Lisa Fernandes
**Doxology*

(Children are dismissed to Sunday School)

*Song

O Lamb of God

Sermon

The Gift of Christmas: Redemption
John 1:10-13 (p. 1053) - Pastor Norm Derkson

*Song

Once in Royal David's City - #155

*Benediction

Postlude

Silent Night, Holy Night (Arr. Hugh)
Rachel Kwag

***PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE**



Sunday School break

The Sunday School and nursery will have a break for Christmas on December 22nd and 29th, resuming on January 5th 2020.

Moms with Children Nursery

The nursing room is available for our young children and their moms for use as needed. Please find an usher for info.

High School Bible Study

The High School Bible Study meets at 11:30a.m. in the West Wing. We are studying Mark. We will meet on December 22nd.

Christmas Events

Caroling at First Baptist Church

Weather allowing, we will carol on the steps of the church this Thursday, December 19th at 6:30p.m. Please join us in singing and sharing the good news.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Please consider coming with friends and family to the Christmas Eve Service on Tuesday, December 24th at 6:00p.m. To get an electronic invitation, please contact info@firstbaptistcalgary.net

A City Hall Christmas

Calgary City Hall, Calgary Municipal Building, on Friday, December 20th at 6:00 p.m. There will be live music, Christmas stories, free snacks and hot drinks. Remember that parking is free on the streets after 6:00 p.m.

New Life Service

Our New Life service is on December 29th. This special will include:

Baby dedication, Baptisms & Membership.

We will give opportunity for people to give testimony about what God has been doing in their lives during 2019.

The class for baptisms and membership will be today at 12:00p.m. in the Underwood Room.

2020 Directory

The 2020 FBC directory will be handed out after the new life service.

New envelopes

2020 numbered offering envelopes will be available immediately after the service today in the Underwood Room for those currently using numbered envelopes. If you would like to start receiving numbered envelopes, please contact the office.

Offerings for 2019

We want to thank you for your generosity! In order to receipt your donation for 2019, please make sure it is received by December 31st 2019. If you are mailing cheques, please make sure the post mark and the date on the cheque are no later than December 31st 2019.