



# SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH **THE WEEKLY**

Faith Community Newsletter

## Advent 2011 What Child Is This?

### Mission Statement

Second Baptist Church is committed to fostering:

- Meaningful, Christ-centered community
  - Whole-life faith
  - A transforming missional presence

### Sunday Mornings with Us . . .

#### Welcome Center & Coffee Bar

Kansas Street Entrance (South)

8:30 a.m. Worship  
in Tutt Chapel

Leonard Street Entrance (West)

9:45–10:45 a.m.  
Bible Study for All Ages

11:00 a.m. Worship  
in Sanctuary  
Franklin Street Entrance  
(North)

It's November and Starbucks has already started serving the Gingerbread Latte. It's November and the grocery stores have already shelved the Christmas tree "peeps" in their candy section. It's November and every department store, every toy store, every book store is already starting to vie for our Christmas holiday affection. But even as the Hallmark calendar begs us to tear the wrapping paper off Christmas, the holy calendar beckons us to wait. Expectant waiting is the essence of Advent.

This year as we wait for Emmanuel, we will wait with a very important question: What child is this? In each of the four Sundays of Advent, we will ponder this question with the characters of the gospel story. Zechariah, Gabriel, Joseph, and Mary were real people in real situations. What did it mean for the Word to become flesh in their flesh and blood lives? Those lowly shepherds couldn't have anticipated that unexpected assault of angel singing as that night quickly became anything but silent. What might we learn from their response to the good news? Simeon and Anna spent their lives waiting for a Savior. At the dawn of Christmas, how should we welcome Him with them? Wondering while we wait...

Jason



**11.27.11**



# Advent 2011

What Child Is This?

**Sunday, November 27**

Worship: 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

**The First Sunday of Advent**

*Zechariah / Luke 1:5–23*

**Sunday, December 4**

Worship: 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

**The Second Sunday of Advent**

*The Angel Gabriel / Luke 1 and Matthew 1*

**Sunday, December 11**

Worship: 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

**The Third Sunday of Advent**

*Joseph / Matthew 1:18–25*

**Sunday, December 18**

Worship: 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

**The Fourth Sunday of Advent**

*Mary / Luke 1:26–38*



**Saturday, December 24**

**Christmas Eve Worship**

**Candlelight and Communion**

5:00 p.m. & 11:00 p.m.

*Shepherds / Luke 2:8–20*

**Sunday, December 25**

**Christmas Day**

Worship: 11:00 a.m.

*Simeon and Anna / Luke 2:21–40*

*Advent 2011* **Congregational Devotional Booklet** is available online at [2bcliberty.org/adventdevotionals](http://2bcliberty.org/adventdevotionals) or pick up a printed copy in the Welcome Center or entrances to the worship centers. Sign up to receive our weekly quick news, and each day's Advent devotional will come right to your desk top.

# THE *Hanging* OF THE *Green*

**Sunday, November 27  
5:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)**

Join us as we begin this Advent season with our annual Hanging of the Green. During this service, we decorate the Sanctuary and share about the symbolism of many treasured visuals of the Advent season.

The service is followed by a church-wide fellowship where we sing fun songs of the season.

**Everyone is invited.**

**JOIN US  
THIS  
SUNDAY!**

**Everyone is invited to join us for . . .**



**Children's Christmas Program**  
**Wednesday, December 14**  
6:30 p.m.  
Second Baptist Church Sanctuary  
300 E. Kansas  
Liberty, MO

*Picture this Child . . .*

# Art is Born

AT SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH



Advent is a very special time for our congregation, and the tradition of our children gathering around the Advent Wreath with our pastor to light the candle is rich with memories for us all. While our Advent Wreaths have always been beautiful, I always thought that our

sanctuary needed something more significant to tell the visual story of Advent. I had had an Advent Wreath Stand made for the church I served in Louisiana, and I began discussions with members of our Arts and Environment Committee about the possibility of enhancing our worship space with a stand of some sort.

A couple of years ago, the Deacon Christmas party was hosted by Sabra and Bryan Boyd in their beautiful home on North Water Street. As you walk into their large foyer, you are greeted by a fabulous table under the chandelier. It was a combination wagon wheel and freehand ironwork that created a stunning piece of furniture. Sabra shared with me that her brother and sister-in-law had created it in their welding shop in Glenwood, Arkansas. That got me thinking about an art piece for Second Baptist Church.

This past spring, I started making some drawings of what a stand might look like. Then I got Bryan Boyd involved, because 1) he is an architect with a good eye for design, and 2) he knows the abilities of

Sabra's brother and sister-in-law. We consulted several times, received input from the Arts and Environment Committee, and settled on an Advent Stand in the shape of a tree. In September, we commissioned Nikki and John Mark Baker to create the stand we are pleased to present on the first Sunday of Advent.

## About the Artists

Nikki and John Mark Baker own Baker's Fabricating and Welding in Glenwood, Arkansas. Nikki says that John Mark has always been creative, and when they opened their shop in 2004, they began to develop their talent. They do a lot of work for the logging and farming industries in their area, but frequently have people ask if they can build custom iron work. They do a lot of custom farm gates and cutout metal signs. All of their work is done by hand. They have built custom stands for Native American artifacts in a museum and large yard art such as horses and a "tree of Good and Evil."

Nikki did most of the work on our Advent Tree and took inspiration from the many



**Nikki and John Mark Baker**

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Biblical symbols that involve a tree. In Psalm 1, there is a description of a tree planted by streams of water with its roots going down to the water. In our Advent Tree, the roots offer stability to the entire piece. Jesus also says “I am the vine, you are the branches.” Our Advent Tree has a strong trunk from which the branches spread out and hold the Advent Candles. In her research, Nikki also learned about the Jesse Tree, a depiction in art of the Ancestors of Christ shown in a tree which rises from Jesse of Bethlehem, the father of King David; the original use of the family tree was as a schematic representation of a genealogy. It originates in a passage in Isaiah which describes metaphorically the descent of the Messiah and is accepted by Christians as referring to Jesus. She took this further by using different textures of metals, symbolizing how the Gentiles were grafted into God’s plan of grace.

Giving this piece of art additional meaning to our congregation is the fact it is being financed by an important name in our church’s history: the Pixlee family, a family name found on plaques around Second Baptist since 1920 when W.T. Pixlee’s \$20,000 dollars made it possible for us to rebuild Second after a devastating fire. By using money to purchase this new Advent Stand that was originally donated to the memory of W.T.’s brother, Allen C. Pixlee, we celebrate once again our enduring connection to the past and earlier church members. It was Rillamae Pixlee, Allen C. Pixlee’s daughter, who in 1986 endowed a Memorial Fund for Second purposed at buying flowers for the sanctuary and any other items necessary for decorating at Christmas and Easter. Each year, proceeds from that endowment directly enhance worship at Second Baptist.

You will find no Pixlees in the Liberty phone book—none in our church directory either.

What little we know about them comes from Eleanor Speaker who has gathered this information: Peter C. Pixlee, born in 1824, came from Kentucky to settle land in Fishing River Township which we know as Prathersville. He served as a soldier in the Mexican War and, when the Civil War broke out, entered the Confederate Army as a captain. After the war, he returned to Clay County, becoming one of its most prominent and well-to-do men. His son, Allen C. Pixlee, and his family are those remembered

by Rillamae. Through her family’s gift to us, the Pixlees remain a dear and loving part of Second Baptist.

We are pleased to present this work of art to our congregation to enhance our worship for years to come and support artists that share their gifts for the Glory of God.

by Allan Aunspaugh with Sue Wright



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# A STORY OF Generosity

**Sermon Excerpt:**  
**November 20, 2011**  
**by Jason Edwards**

*Why is it so difficult for us to open up our hearts and our hands? Why are we so conservative with our gifts? Maybe because when we think about how hard we worked to get what we have, to arrive where we are, it's easy to become stingy. Because maybe we think we deserve what we have . . . or maybe we think we don't have enough, and we're scared of what will happen if we let go.*

*It's not easy to let go. Because we're not sure how our world might change if we were to let go. Edward H. Hammett tells a story that illustrates this beautifully. I'd like to share with you this story:*

Eddie wrote:

When I was about seventeen, I accepted a call to ministry, and my home church decided to support me by giving me a job: "Help our Sunday school grow." I said I'd do it and got to work.

The first assignment the pastor gave me was to provide more space for all of the new babies in the church. To reach young families in the area, we needed a bigger preschool area. The way he saw it, I needed to move my grandmother's group out of their classroom so that the babies could have that room. So that was my assignment—to move my grandmother's Sunday school class that had been meeting in the same place for about twenty years. (See where this is going?)

And I was stupid enough to walk into that room one Sunday morning and say, "We've got a lot of new babies coming into our

church. The nursery is packed, and your room is bigger than theirs. We would like for you to swap rooms."

It made good sense to me but not to them. Those five women were ready to kill me. Before we got out of church that morning, the whole community knew that Montese's grandson had upset the older women's Sunday school class.

Our family used to go to Grandma's house after church for Sunday dinner. She told me that Sunday not to come—no more fried chicken. It crushed me. I didn't know which was worse, no fried chicken or knowing that my grandmother was mad at me. And I couldn't even understand what the problem was. I thought they'd want more babies in the church. I thought they liked babies.

I came to understand through great pain and suffering over an eight-month period that those women were family for one another. That classroom was sacred space for them. My grandmother and I loved each other so much that we covenanted to talk, pray, and study scripture together once a week until we could mend our broken relationship. It was very painful. I can't tell you how painful it was for both of us.

After about eight months of these weekly meetings, she called me one afternoon and said, "I want you to come over here." When I got to her house, she sat me down, put her arm around me and said, "You've told me about some mistakes you've made as a young minister. But I've been praying a lot, and I have come to understand that my personal comfort is not as important as the church's mission."



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# A STORY OF

# Generosity

She shifted and said, "I'm going to walk into class on Sunday morning, and I'm going to tell those ladies that we need to move down the hall; and I want you to be with me."

I looked her in the eye and said, "There's no way I'm going back to that class. I love you, Grandma, but I'm not going back in there again." She said, "Well, at least stand outside the door."

So I stood outside the door. My grandmother walked in and said to those other four women: "Ladies, I've come to understand our personal comfort is not as important as this church's mission and its future. I want us to move today to the class down the hall, and I want us to take the money we've saved (which was bigger than the church budget), and I want us to fix up this room for the new babies that are coming in. I also want us to start an adopt-a-grandchild ministry in this church for all these new families coming in that don't have grandparents locally. I want us to learn to love these babies. We need them as much as they need us, and I want us to be a part of this church's future instead of a stumbling block to keep it where it is."

Then she picked up a chair, walked down the hall, and every one of those women followed her. They didn't say a word. They didn't ask a question. They followed their leader. And now,

as a result of her decision, her courage, her leadership, and her spiritual maturity and conviction, not only does that little church have a thriving children's ministry today, they have a brand new children's building because of her. Not that she gave the money, but she gave the leadership to reach that generation.

My grandmother eventually went into a nursing home as an Alzheimer's patient. One day before she died, I visited her in the nursing home. I was trying to find one of those open windows to her memory through the Alzheimer's, and I was retelling this story. Together we caught a little glimpse of reality. She got up out of her little chair and walked to me with her wobbly cane. Her frail body reached me, and she hugged me. Then she whispered in my ear, "We got those old women to go on mission, didn't we?"

*We continue to celebrate all of the wonderful ways we have gone on mission together this year. As we near year's end we hope you will prayerfully consider how you might support the ministries of our church.*

*Your generosity will help make a way for us to continue to respond to growing needs and ministry opportunities.*



Edward H. Hammett, Chalice Press ©2007



MISSIONS OFFERING AT

Christmas 2011



As we celebrate the holidays this year, we also have the opportunity to give a gift to those who have felt passionate and called to serve God among the most

neglected people around the world—including the Americas. During November and December, Second Baptist supports the Global Missions Offering of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, our primary partner for missions.

Our offering, combined with the offerings from other churches, helps maintain over 135 field personnel. You can give an offering either in the offering plate or online at

[2bcliberty.org/giving](http://2bcliberty.org/giving). Envelopes are available in the pew racks and at the information wall in the Welcome Center.

In addition, you will want to add these mission moments to your calendar:

**Missions: Where We Have Been 2011  
Wednesday, November 30 (6:30–7:15 p.m.)**

This is a fine opportunity to hear about our involvement with our mission partners during 2011. You will hear personal accounts about our efforts with Rebuilding Together—Clay County, South Dakota, Slovakia and Haiti.

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CBF Global Missions Offering this year highlights the ministries of:

- Jade and Shelah Acker in seeking hope for refugees in Uganda and the Democratic Republic of the Congo, working with the former child soldiers who fought in Sudan's civil war.
- Touching Miami with Love, the ministry of Angel and Jason Pittman as they share Christ's hope with inner-city Miami youth.



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CBF Offering for GLOBAL MISSIONS 

2011 MISSIONS OFFERING AT CHRISTMAS GOAL IS \$10,000!

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# Finding *your* place in Missions at Second Baptist Church

## Finding *my* Place in Missions by Ed Gilliland

This past April, I had the opportunity to travel to South Dakota to visit and help our Lakota friends in Bridger. I must confess that this was my first mission trip. I went with an open heart and an open mind, and I especially wanted to get to know some of our friends on the reservation. I was not disappointed.

One of our main goals was to build a second chicken coop, so I spent much of my time helping with that. The days were full of activity, and they passed quickly. Each day, we had the company of many of the children that live in Bridger. I tried to take every opportunity to get to know them, as they represent the future. They were always eager to play and to learn. Just following us around was a good thing.

Each state has its own beauty, and South Dakota is no exception. Each evening we were treated to a beautiful sunset as the few clouds in the sky would glow orange. Trees are few there, so one can look in all directions for long distances. One evening we enjoyed a hiking trip to the nearby Cheyenne River with the children. We skipped a lot of rocks across the water and enjoyed being together. The last evening, we sat around a campfire and sang songs. Several of our adult Lakota friends joined us.

We traveled to Bridger expecting to continue building a relationship with the Lakota people. God blessed me by allowing me to meet new friends and to gain new experiences. The Lakota people are kind and gentle and have a deep respect for others. I traveled home having learned a great deal from our trip. God willing, I plan on returning.



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## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

# Cookie Exchange and Soup Night

Sunday, December 4  
5:30–7:00 p.m.

Please join us for an evening of fun and fellowship in the Welcome Center. Plan on bringing approximately three dozen cookies to share and swap with others. Soup and drinks will be provided.

**All women are welcome to attend!**

Please call Julie Twenter at 781-9407 or [twenter@yahoo.com](mailto:twenter@yahoo.com) with questions.



## SERVICE OF HOPE

Together we seek God's hope and healing

Sunday, December 4  
3:00 p.m. in Tutt Chapel

For many in our community, the holidays are a difficult time of loneliness and loss. The Service of Hope offers a space to experience the healing, hope and grace of Christ. Members and guests of all ages are welcome to this time of music, quiet reflection, homily and prayer.

***Please join us immediately following the service for a reception in the Welcome Center.***

## MUSIC FOR ADVENT

### CHRISTMAS EVE MUSIC PREPARATION!

This is the time for all young pianists and instrumentalists to begin preparing Christmas music for the gathering on Christmas Eve. Remember to choose carols appropriate for worship, and start practicing now so you will be ready. Be sure to contact Ann Posey, 781-1132, if you are planning to play.

'TIS THE SEASON!

# Children's Christmas Party

For Infants through fifth graders

**Friday, December 2**

**6:30–9:00 p.m.**

(come and go as needed)

Children are invited to attend a Christmas party just for them! (This is also an opportunity for a Parents' Night Out . . . enjoy an uninterrupted conversation over dinner, get some Christmas shopping or gift wrapping done, or connect with another couple for a social outing.) Have the children dress casually, **bring a can of soup to give to In As Much Ministry**, and be ready to have fun with their friends! All children must be signed in and out in the Welcome Center the evening of the party.

#### **PARENTS NOTE:**

**Children's registration forms are available at the Welcome Desk or visit our website at [2bcliberty.org/tistheseason](http://2bcliberty.org/tistheseason). Last minute changes are fine, but please make every effort to register by Sunday, November 27, so we can be sure to have enough supplies.**

#### **OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE . . .**

## Come Join Us!

Since parents have the night off, adults who do not have small children are encouraged to share a portion of their evening with us. Many eager teenagers have already indicated an interest in helping, but more adults are needed.

If you could help for part or all of the evening in one of the following areas, please contact Gwen Phillips (781-2824 or [gphillips@2bcliberty.org](mailto:gphillips@2bcliberty.org)).

- Sit at sign-in table or walk children from Welcome Center to their rooms
- Assist with preparing snacks
- Help supervise elementary games
- Sit at craft table to assist with prepared crafts
- Play with preschool children in classrooms
- Play with babies in the nursery
- Ride with us on the people mover to go caroling



Registration forms available at the Welcome Desk or online at

**[2bcliberty.org/tistheseason](http://2bcliberty.org/tistheseason)**



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# Wednesday Café



... a fresh take on Wednesday night.

## MENUS

Nov. 30

Assorted wraps (gluten-free available), chips, fruit salad

Dec. 7

Spaghetti, alfredo or marinara sauce, breadsticks, caesar salad, cookies

Dec. 14

Chicken fingers, mac & cheese, corn, roll & butter, cookies (kids sing this night)

## PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Nov. 30: Missions: Where We Have Been 2011

Dec. 7: Missions: Look Ahead at 2012

Dec. 14: Children's Christmas Program (Last Wednesday evening program in Dec.)

We Resume Wednesday, January 4.

## Join us Wednesdays!

Meals are catered by the Liberty HyVee kitchen. They've worked with us to provide a whole new menu of delicious choices that are modestly priced. Meals are served Wednesdays from **5:45–6:30 p.m.**

**Reservations are required by 4:30 p.m. Tuesday afternoon.**

Reservations are easy because there are options. Online: Go to our website calendar and click on

the make reservations link. (It can even send you a reminder that you made reservations.) Email or call Maggie Henderson in the church office 781-2824 or [mhenderson@2bcliberty.org](mailto:mhenderson@2bcliberty.org) or visit the webpage: [2bcliberty.org/cafe](http://2bcliberty.org/cafe)

## MEAL COST

Ages 3 and under: Free; Ages 4–12: \$3.00; Ages 13 and older: \$5.00; the family maximum is \$15.

**Make Your Reservations at [2bcliberty.org/cafe](http://2bcliberty.org/cafe)**

## Finding *your* place in Missions at Second Baptist Church

Join us beginning the week after Thanksgiving on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. as we explore missions at Second Baptist Church. We'll offer two in-depth programs that highlight our activities and plans for Missions at Second Baptist Church. Whether you want to get involved in planning, traveling, local work or prayer, there is a place for you in Missions here at 2BC.

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STUDENT MINISTRY

# Christmas Party



**Sunday, December 11**  
**6:30-8:30 p.m.**

Join us for our annual “white elephant” gift exchange and celebration.  
(If you don’t know what a white elephant is, feel free to ask.)

We’ll enjoy a light “finger food” dinner.  
There will be no Student Choir Rehearsal that evening.

[2bcliberty.org/studentchristmasparty](http://2bcliberty.org/studentchristmasparty)

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# BLOOD DRIVE

**Thursday, December 22**  
**10:00-2:00 p.m.**

@ Christmas

The Community Blood Center (CBC) will be holding a blood drive at Second Baptist Church, 300 E. Kansas in Liberty, on Thursday, December 22, 2011. Blood donors are welcome between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. in the Social Room.

Donor eligibility minimum age limit is 16, with signed parental consent. To schedule an appointment online go to [www.savealifenow.org](http://www.savealifenow.org) and use sponsor code ‘secondbaptist.’ Or contact Maggie Henderson at (816) 781-2824. Walk-in donors are welcome. For medical eligibility questions, please call 1-800-245-7035.



**SAVE  
THE DATE!**





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# Christmas Eve

Candlelight and Communion Services  
5:00 p.m. & 11:00 p.m.

Our traditional Candlelight and Communion worship on Christmas Eve is a very special time to share music, carols, Communion and a Christmas message. We close with a beautiful congregational candlelight experience. Worship with us at 5:00 p.m. or 11:00 p.m. on Saturday evening, December 24. We hope you, your friends and family will join us for this special worship.

ANNUAL CHURCH-WIDE NEW YEAR'S



# Christmas Breakfast

Sunday, January 1  
9:45 a.m.

(There will not be an 8:30 worship or Bible Study this morning.)

Please join us for a casual continental breakfast featuring fresh pastries, muffins, fruit, juice and specialty coffees.

Breakfast begins at 9:45 a.m. followed by our 11:00 a.m. worship.



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# QUICK NEWS

## PRAYER CONCERNS

### CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Christian sympathy is extended to Linda Groves and Thom and Amy Hoffman in the death of Linda's brother and Amy's uncle, Ellis West, Jr., in Osage Beach, MO, on November 20.

### HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL

Jim Muhlhauser

### Do you have a prayer need?

Visit our website to submit a request online or fill out a pew prayer card and drop it in the offering plate during worship.

[2bcliberty.org/prayer request](http://2bcliberty.org/prayer-request)

## REMINDER...



### WHAT IS FOOD SHARE SUNDAY?

One of the tangible ways we participate in ministry in our community is through the Link Food Pantry of In As Much Ministry. Baskets are placed inside all entrance doors to Second Baptist the first Sunday of each month as a way to collect food items. A list of high demand items is posted below. Any food item will help keep the pantry shelves stocked.

*Sugar, salt and pepper, pancake mix, jelly, syrup, chicken noodle soup, catsup, ramen noodles, toilet paper, detergent for laundry, dish soap, bar soap, shampoo, tooth paste and tooth brushes, cleaning supplies, etc.*

We hope you will consider participating in our FOOD SHARE SUNDAY each month. The food pantry serves 900+ families per quarter with many returning more than once during the month. By participating you will help us make a difference to those in need in our community.

## Food Share Sunday is Next Week: December. 4

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[facebook.com/2bcliberty](https://www.facebook.com/2bcliberty)



Second Friends  
PRESCHOOL

## Enrollment for children of church members begins in December!

We offer two-day classes for three- and four-year old children and pre-kindergarteners and a four-day class for children who are kindergarten-eligible but who are being given an extra year before kindergarten. Brochures are available in the preschool area. For more information or to enroll, email [abush@2bcliberty.org](mailto:abush@2bcliberty.org) or call 781-3882.

## BIRTHDAYS

Kesner, Kathleen 11/20  
Maudlin, Frank 11/20  
Chlapek, Ben 11/22  
Soper, Lizzy 11/22  
Kesner, Ray 11/23  
Van Hauen, Caden 11/23  
Sandring Wesemann, Jonah 11/24  
Twenter, Paul 11/24  
Birdsong, Max 11/25  
Walther, Gerry 11/25  
Huffman, James 11/26  
Hill, Dawn 11/28  
Diamond, Colleen 11/29  
Gamet, Brian 11/29  
Moore, Emily 11/29  
Burchett, Joanna 12/1  
George, Archer 12/1  
Ferguson, Lillian 12/2  
Kingery, Drew 12/2  
Calder, Bob 12/4  
Oberkrom, Mary Margaret 12/4  
Stouffer, Jake 12/4



Liberty, Missouri

## PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

**Sunday, November 27**  
First Sunday of Advent

*Advent 2011*  
**What Child is This?**

**"ZECHARIAH"**  
with Jason Edwards

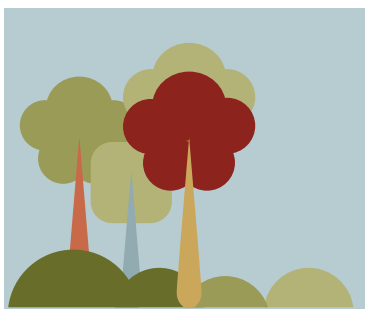
**Scripture:**  
**Luke 1:5-23**  
**Isaiah 64:1-9**

**How do you become a member of the Second Baptist Church faith family?**

Join Pastor Jason Edwards on Sunday morning, January 8, at 9:45 a.m. for **Coffee with the Pastor** for an informal conversation.

or

**To learn more contact Jason at:**  
jedwards@2bcliberty.org/781.2824



## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Sunday, November 27: First Sunday of Advent

- 8:30** Worship (Tutt Chapel)
- 8:45 Student Handbell Rehearsals
- 9:00 Children's Choir Rehearsals
- 9:45** Bible Study for All ages
- 11:00** Worship (Sanctuary)
- 5:00** Hanging of the Green and Reception (Sanctuary)

### Monday, November 28

- 10:00** Senior Adult Coffee & Conversation

### Tuesday, November 29

- 8:15 Ministry Team Community Group & Meeting
- 9:30 Staff Meeting
- 10:30 Worship Planning
- 7:30 MOPS Mothers of Special Needs Kids Support Group

### Wednesday, November 30

- 10:30 Intercessory Prayer Group (Assembly Room)
- 5:45-6:30 **WEDNESDAY CAFÉ: FOOD & FELLOWSHIP** (Social Room)
- 6:00 Monvee Community Group (Room 504)

### FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

#### Adult Ministry

- 6:30-7:15 **Missions: Where We Have Been 2011**

#### Children's Ministry

- 6:30-7:15 Mission Friends, Girls' and Boys' Missions Groups

#### Student Ministry

- 6:30-7:15 Middle School Formations (Student Room 609)
- 6:30-7:45 Jr. High Discussion Group (218 N. Leonard)
- 6:30-7:45 Sr. High Discussion Group (429 Wilson)

#### MUSIC MINISTRY

- 6:00 Middle School Choir (Room 409)
- 6:15 Adult Handbell Choir (Room 501)
- 7:20 Sanctuary Choir Practice—Adults (Room 501)

### Thursday, December 1:

- 7:00 Hands On: Knitting and Handwork Group  
*Everyone welcome (Welcome Center)*

### Friday, December 2:

- 9:30 MOPS Steering Team Meeting
- 6:30 'Tis the Season: Children's Christmas Party**

### Sunday, December 4: Second Sunday of Advent

#### Food Share Sunday

*(The events listed here are in addition to our regular Sunday schedule.)*

- 3:00** Service of Hope (Tutt Chapel)
- 3:45** Service of Hope Reception
- 5:30** Women's Cookie Exchange and Soup Dinner

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