

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH



SIMEON AND ANNA

December 25, 2011

*Christmas 2011*

What Child Is This?

belong | believe | become

*Meditation*

Bring your peace into our violence  
Bid our hungry souls be filled  
Word now breaking Heaven's silence  
Welcome to our world

Fragile finger sent to heal us  
Tender brow prepared for thorn  
Tiny heart whose blood will save us  
Unto us is born

So wrap our injured flesh around You  
Breathe our air and walk our sod  
Rob our sin and make us holy  
Perfect Son of God  
Welcome to our world

– Chris Rice, lyrics from *Welcome To Our World*

## WELCOME GUESTS

*We invite first-time guests and returning guests to complete a guest card from a pew pocket and drop it in the offering plate so that we may acknowledge your visit and begin a relationship with you.  
We are glad you have joined us for worship today.*



*Please see an usher for a listening aid.*

*Children's worship bags and bulletins are available at the worship center entrances.*

*Childcare is available in the preschool area, Level 2.*

*Give your tithe online now at [2bcliberty.org/giving](http://2bcliberty.org/giving).*

# The Worship of God

## *Christmas Day*

December 25, 2011

11:00 a.m.

*Gathering for Worship and Celebration*

*Trinity Chime*

*Prelude* "Christmas Day Suite" Holst

*Invitation to Worship* James Bush

+*Processional Carol 122* IN DULCI JUBILO  
"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"

+*The Old Testament Lesson* Isaiah 9:2-7 Ray Kesner

**Leader:** The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned. You have enlarged the nation and increased their joy; they rejoice before you as people rejoice at the harvest, as warriors rejoice when dividing the plunder. For as in the day of Midian's defeat, you have shattered the yoke that burdens them, the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor. Every warrior's boot used in battle and every garment rolled in blood will be destined for burning, will be fuel for the fire. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders.

**People:** **And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end.**

**Leader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God!**

*Presenting the Christ Candle*

Jason Edwards

+*Hymn of Joy* **102**

ANTIOCH

“Joy to the World! The Lord is Come”

*A Christmas Prayer*

Mike Lassiter

+*Hymns of Christmas*

“Christmas Gloria”

Lloyd Larson

Hark! the herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King;  
Peace on earth, and mercy mild; God and sinners reconciled.”  
Joyful, all ye nations rise, join the triumph of the skies;  
With angelic hosts proclaim, “Christ is born in Bethlehem!”  
Hark! the herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King.”

“O Little Town of Bethlehem”

The musical score is written in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves. The first staff is for Women, the second for Men, and the third and fourth for All. The lyrics are: "O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie. A - bove thy deep and dream - less sleep the si - lent stars go by. Yet in thy dark - streets shin - eth the ev - er - last - ing Light, the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night."

Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o’er the plains:  
And the mountains in reply, Echo back their joyous strains.  
Glo-ri-a in excelsis Deo! Glo-ri-a in excelsis Deo!

Come to Bethlehem and see Him whose birth the angels sing;  
Come, adore on bended knee Christ the Lord, the newborn King.  
Glo-ri-a in excelsis Deo! Glo-ri-a in excelsis Deo!

*The Gospel Lesson*                      Luke 2:21–38                      Kathleen Kesner  
(Pew Bible, page 45, New Testament)  
Leader: The Good News of Our Lord.  
**People: Praise be to our Lord, Jesus Christ.**

*Choral Worship*                      “Jesus, Born on This Day”                      arr. Rhodes  
The Sanctuary Choir and Friends  
Anne Aunspaugh, soloist

*Sermon*                      “SIMEON AND ANNA”                      Jason Edwards

+*Hymn of Response* **143**                      GO TELL IT  
“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”

*The worship of the living God invites our response. Those who wish to profess faith in Christ and/or to unite with the church are invited to come forward and share your decision with the pastor.*

+*Generosity Moment and Offertory Prayer*                      Eleanor Speaker

*Offertory*                      “What Child Is This?”                      R. V. Williams  
Dawn Posey, violin

+*Presentation of Offerings* **148**                      GREENSLEEVES  
“What Child Is This”

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

+*A Time of Greeting*                      Jason Edwards

+*Congregational Blessing*                      Jason Edwards

+*The Sending Forth* **125**                      GLORIA  
“Angels We Have Heard on High”  
*Refrain*

Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

*Postlude*

“Good Christians All Rejoice”

J. S. Bach



+ *Please stand if you are able.*

*All Songs UBP CCLI # 1091036*

Organ: Ann Posey

Sanctuary Sound: Dave Heston

Piano: Angie Fuller

Media: John Hilton & Alyssa Aunspaugh



## PRAYER CONCERNS

**Putnam County Care Center, Unionville, MO**

Genevieve Summers, Marilyn Buhlig's mom

Jim Van Slyke, health

Gary Moore, health

Dean Boring, health



## A FRIENDLY REMINDER . . .

As we near the end of 2011, God may prompt you to minister to others through an additional financial contribution to the ministries of Second Baptist Church.

Please remember that today, December 25, is the last Sunday of 2011.

This is important because end of year contributions are often given the Sunday after Christmas.

Next Sunday is January 1, 2012.

Any gift that is received after December 31 will have to be recorded as a 2012 contribution and therefore will not be an eligible 2011 tax deduction.

Thank you so much for your thoughtful generosity.





## PONSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS

*(Additions to last week's listing)*

*In memory of Paul and Ruby Warren by Tricia and Tom Mendel*

*In honor of Dale and Dolly McCracken by Tricia and Tom Mendel*



## POINSETTIA REMINDER

*Those who provided poinsettias in honor or in memory of loved ones  
this Advent season, my pick up your poinsettia(s) after worship  
on Christmas Day. Thank you.*



## GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER

### **Worship Leaders Today**

**James Bush** has been a member of the Second Baptist family since 1990. He is a 2006 Liberty High School graduate, and attended William Jewell after high school. James is currently employed as a police officer in Richmond.

**Ray and Kathleen Kesner** celebrated their fifty-sixth wedding anniversary in November. They have three grown sons and five grandchildren. They have been members of Second Baptist Church since 1986. Kathleen enjoys quilting and volunteering at the Hillcrest Thrift Store. Ray was a pastor in Arkansas and Missouri and was a member of the faculty and staff of Midwestern Seminary before his retirement in 1999.

**Eleanor Speaker** teaches the Koinonia and Women on Mission Bible study classes, organizes the church archives, leads the Intercessory Prayer Group, and supports missions education through the bulletin boards and display cases. She loves to travel.

## OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Jason Edwards, *Pastor*

Mike Lassiter, *Associate Pastor*

Allan Aunspaugh, *Minister of Music*

Linda Jones, *Church Administrator*

Tyler Tankersley, *Student Pastor*

Gwen Phillips, *Children's Pastor*

Ann Posey, *Organist*

Amber Riechers, *College Ministry Coordinator*



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