

Newsletter

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All Eyes on Christmas Eve

God has truly blessed us as a church in so many ways! Every single blessing comes from and is for the glory of Jesus Christ. This time of the year we (hopefully) focus all of our attention on remembering and celebrating the coming of the Lord Jesus. We will do this through worship, giving, and sharing the message. We will worship each Sunday in a newly-renovated worship room (praise the Lord!). We will also worship through the Christmas musical presented by our choir and worship band. We will also give financially in order to worship and celebrate His coming. Another way we will celebrate is through sharing the gospel message and inviting others to come with us to church. All of this will culminate on Christmas Eve here at Jubilee. In an effort to truly remember His coming and in a sense “welcome” Him, we will have two Christmas Eve services. We will also receive the Lord’s Supper in both of these services. To help you plan for this special and busy time of the year, here is an outline of important dates you need to know:



Paul Matthews
Senior Pastor

Sermon series, “The Christ of Christmas,” each Sunday in December. Sunday service times will remain the same until the Sunday after Christmas. **Sunday, December 29th**, we will have **one service at 10am**. We will **not** have Sunday School that day. Also, we will **not** have Wednesday services on Christmas Day, December 25th, and New Year’s Day, January 1st.

We will begin receiving our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions on **Sunday, December 1st**, continuing until the end of December. Our goal this year is **\$45,000**.

NOTE:

If you would like your gifts to the missions offering, general fund (tithe), or the building fund to count toward 2019 on your tax record, please remember to give at *worship* on **December 29th**, *online* by **December 31st** or *postmarked* by the US Post Office by **December 31st**.

The Christmas musical, “Come Adore,” will be presented on **Sunday morning, December 8th** during both morning services.

Christmas Eve candlelight services will be held at 5pm and 7pm. This year we are offering two services to accommodate larger numbers of people. If you are planning on doing anything to reach out this Christmas season, PLEASE invite someone to come to a Christmas Eve service. This may be the best opportunity for a friend, neighbor, or family member to attend a church in December. We will help make it easy to invite others by providing cards with the service times and gift bags to enable you to reach out with a tangible gift. Don’t let the opportunity slip by this Christmas season!

55+ Ministry

Fairhope Museum of History Visit

On **Thursday, November 7th**, we visited the Fairhope Museum of History and enjoyed a delicious meal at Another Broken Egg Cafe. Allan Samry, the director of the museum, shared some of the interesting highlights of the history of their unusual town. He told about the early settlers and their attempt to establish a socialist utopia with all land being owned by the "Single Tax. Many settlers came from the North and other parts of the US. A liberal school, the Marietta Johnson School of Organic Education, was established with a "no-testing" policy and it is still in operation today. Also, Fairhope was a major producer of clay bricks in the early days.



Mike Selby
Administrative Pastor

Jubilee Golf Ministry: Tuesday, Dec. 3rd

The Jubilee Golf Ministry will play our championship round at Quail Creek on **Tuesday, December 3rd**, starting at **12 noon**. If you plan to play, text 251-377-7670 or email mselecty@jubileebaptist.com.



Christmas Musical: Saturday, Dec. 14th

We will leave Jubilee by vans at 2:30pm and attend the 4pm presentation, "**This is Christmas**," at Springhill Baptist Church in Mobile. Afterward, a meal at the Outback Steak House will be enjoyed. We will have a group of tickets, which are free, but are required in order to attend the musical. There is limited seating, so sign-up by calling our church office or in Sunday School on **December 1st**.



Worship Ministry

"Come Adore" Christmas Musical



Our Christmas worship musical will be on **Sunday, December 8th**, during both morning services. Our choir and worship band will lead us to consider the contrasting qualities of our Lord Jesus Christ that we see clearly in the Christmas season. He is the Word made flesh, the humble King, the Lion and the Lamb. Come ready to sing, celebrate, and adore Jesus next Sunday morning as we gather for worship together.



Joe Howell
Worship Pastor

Kids' Choir Leading Worship

Our children's choir will be singing during both morning services on **Sunday, December 15th**. This is a special time where our children can show us what they have learned and lead us in worship during the Christmas season. Make plans to be here to participate in this special time of worship!

Discipleship Ministry

Go Tell It

The Christmas season is upon us, which means we are drawing near to one of our most popular services of the year: our **Christmas Eve service**. We are so excited to enjoy this evening of worship in our newly renovated worship room. This service is always a special time in the life of our church to gather and contemplate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Much about this service will be familiar, but there are a few things we are asking you to consider as we come to this service:



Daniel Murphy
Discipleship Pastor

- **Two service times:** This year, we will have two Christmas Eve services: one at **5pm** and one at **7pm**. We are anticipating a big crowd and want to make sure we have more than enough room for everyone.
- **Invite cards:** Part of the reason we are anticipating a big crowd is because you (yes, you) will be inviting people to come. We are providing you with invitation cards to give to friends, family, neighbors, coworkers, and others with all the information about our Christmas Eve service. We hope that these will be a helpful tool for talking about your faith, the gospel, and for inviting people to attend. These cards are available in Sunday School classes and at the Welcome Desk. I challenge you to **take five cards**, and invite five people to attend our Christmas Eve services.
- **Gift bags:** In addition to the cards, we are providing a limited number of gift bags for you to give to others and use in inviting people to attend. These bags include a JBC mug and an invitation to our Christmas Eve services. If you have a particular person in mind, and you think this gift bag would help you to invite them, then please pick up a bag at the Welcome Desk.

As special as our Christmas Eve service is to our church family, we need to make sure that we go and tell about it to our unchurched friends, neighbors, and families. We hope that the new service times, invitations, and bags will help you go, tell, and invite people to attend.

College Campus Ministry

There is an exciting ministry opportunity coming up in the spring. Each Sunday evening, the Baptist Campus Ministries at *Coastal Alabama Community College* (formerly Faulkner State) feeds 50-75 college students. Churches volunteer to bring and prepare food, and to share a devotion. This is a special time to serve college students, build relationships, and to share the gospel.

I would like to see our church step up and take one of these Sunday evenings a month. The church will cover the cost of an entrée. We will need Sunday School classes to volunteer to cover other food, sides, desserts, etc., for these dates (a class or two per date) and to coordinate in planning the meal.

I am asking Sunday School classes to consider volunteering for one Sunday evening meal during the spring semester. If you are interested in this ministry opportunity, please contact me as soon as possible and I will get you more details.

REPORTS NOVEMBER 2019

YEAR TO DATE
(AS OF OCTOBER 2019)

	3-Nov	10-Nov	17-Nov	24-Nov
Worship attendance	600	582	605	690
Sunday School attendance	411	434	457	479
Building Fund	\$6,196.00	\$2,482.50	\$2,252.00	\$3,333.50
Budget Offering	\$35,949.75	\$24,664.10	\$32,228.87	\$24,859.86

Budget Needs	\$1,322,465.80
Budget Receipts	\$1,277,499.43
Budget Expenses	\$1,242,006.34
Building Fund	\$160,221.06

Wednesday Evening Menu

December 4th

Hamburgers
French Fries
Baked Beans
Salad Bar
Dessert

December 11th

Spaghetti
Mixed Vegetables
Garlic Bread
Salad Bar
Dessert

December 18th

Poppyseed Chicken
Rice
Green Beans
Salad Bar
Christmas Cookies

December 25th

No meal due to
Christmas Holidays

Meal Price: Birth-5yrs: Free; 6-12yrs: \$2; 13yrs & up: \$5; Family Max: \$15

Weekly Schedule

Sundays

9:00 & 11:15am
> Morning Worship
10:15am
> Sunday School

Wednesdays

5:00pm
> Wednesday Night Meal
6:00pm
> Adult Bible Study
> Kidz Activities (1st-6th)
> Wee Praise Choir (PreK & K)

6:15pm
> Youth Worship
7:00pm
> Choir Practice

Hours & Info.

Office Hours:

Mon.-Fri., 8am-4pm
(251) 621-7095

KIDZ Center:

(251) 621-3977

Prayer Requests:

jdbc.pray4me@gmail.com

Jubilee Baptist App:

The Church App is now live for every platform! Download the app to take sermon notes, listen to past sermons, stay up-to-date on church events, receive notifications, and set up online giving from your device.

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