

# First Baptist Church in Needham 1st Sunday after Christmas

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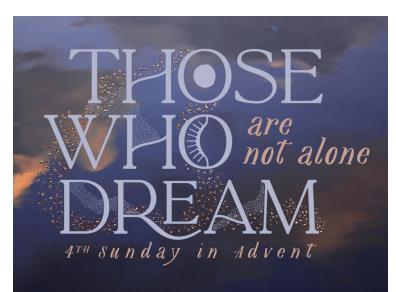
# Worship and Prayer Resource Sunday, December 27th

### 2020

(or whenever you are so led to pause, reflect, and pray) 858 Great Plain Avenue Needham, MA 02492 www.fbcneedham.org We will be incorporating the Advent Devotional resources from sanctifiedart.org "Those Who Dream", in our Worship at Home Resources through Epiphany. Coloring pages from illustratedministry.com, will also be provided in each week's resource.

### Lighting the Candle of Life

You may wish to light a candle or use the photo above as a focus for this time. ALL: We light the Candle of Life - a



candle that represents community, spirit, and the fullness of all of life - birth and death and all the transitions in between and beyond.

# Advent Candle Lighting - Christmas Eve litany/Lighting of the Christ Candle

Light a candle in your home or in your heart. Adapt the following words for your use and circumstances. Though they are written for two voices, they can be read as one, or shared in reading with many.

#### Candle Lighting Liturgy | The Christ Candle

- A: In the beginning, God dreamed of a beautiful world.
- B: In Egypt, the Israelites dreamed of freedom.
- A: In the wilderness, the people dreamed of safety.
- B: In Jerusalem, the people dreamed of a Messiah.
- A: In Bethlehem, the shepherds and Wise Men dreamed of a new beginning.
- B: Then, several years later, Jesus walked this earth and dreams came true.
- A: The sick were healed.
- A: The poor had food.
- B: The forgotten and ignored were seen.
- A: The children were welcomed.
- B: Everyone was invited to the table, and the world has never been the same.
- A: So tonight, we are those who dream.
- B: Tonight, we dream the same dreams of our ancestors before us.
- A: Tonight, we dream of justice and mercy, of love and kindness, of peace and hope.
- B: Tonight we dream of a God that draws near to us out of unfailing love.
  - A: May this candle be a reminder that there will be a day when every dream will be fulfilled. And until then, we will be those who dream.



#### Christmas Eve this night, we are THOSE WHO DREAM

FOCAL SCRIPTURES Luke 2:1-20 | Isaiah 9:2-7

#### THEME CONNECTIONS

The Christmas story reminds us that we are all dreamers. Like those gathered around the manger, we come to this night each year with awe, wonder, and holy imagination for what is possible. Like Mary, we treasure God's dream in our hearts and commit to keeping it alive. Like the holy family, we believe and trust in a God who comes to us in the vulnerability of a child.

#### The First Sunday After Christmas THOSE WHO DREAM... will not keep silent

FOCAL SCRIPTURES Luke 2:22-40 | Isaiah 61:10-62:3

#### THEME CONNECTIONS

God's dreams are not for us alone. Simeon and Anna could not keep silent—they witnessed Jesus' divine presence in the temple and were compelled to speak up. Like the prophet Isaiah, we will not keep silent and we will not rest until what has been sown will spring up as righteousness and peace in every nation (Is. 61:11-62:2).

#### Song of Response

#### Joy to the World

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Sing, read aloud, or listen to, "Joy to the World", by The Mormon Tabernacle Choir,

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DLT9dSt8cwg

#### Joy to the World (verse 1)

Joy to the world! The Lord is come; let earth receive her king;

Let every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

#### Joy to the World (verse 2)

Joy to the earth! The Savior reigns; let earth her songs employ;

While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

#### Joy to the World (verse 3)

No more let sin and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground.

He comes to make his blessings flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.

#### Joy to the World (verse 4)

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove ...

... the glories of his righteousness, and wonders of His love, and wonders of His love, and wonders, wonders of His love.

### **Meditative Word**

# what does this Word ...



### ...spark for you?

#### The First Week after Christmas THOSE WHO DREAM... will not keep silent

#### Swell / Luke 2:22-40

You know that feeling when you fall in love? Time-stands-still and moves too fast. You'd give up sleep just to talk all night, Because there's so much to say and not enough time.

It's that full to the brim, Over the stars, Living is dreaming, Too-good-to-be-true Kind of feeling?

I imagine that's how Simeon and Anna felt When they saw Jesus that day. I imagine it was that full to the brim, Over the stars, Living is dreaming, Too-good-to-be-true Good news kind of feeling.

I imagine it was love. And I imagine that that good, good news Swelled to the tip of their tongues Until they could not keep silent.

So may we know what Simeon and Anna knew, Which is that some dreams we hold close to our chest, For ourselves to cherish and never forget. But other dreams must be spoken out loud— Dreams of justice and love and hope, here and now.

So today my prayer is to know that swell, For there is good, good news That we must tell.

<sup>1</sup> Prayer by Sarah Are | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org



POETRY PRAYERS Written by Sarah Are



### **Prayers of the People**

Enter into this time in song. If you don't know the tune, let the words be the doorway to your prayer.

Sung Prayer

Hear My Prayer, O Lord

BENZENHAFER arr. Holly C. Benzenhafer

Hear my prayer, O Lord. Hear my prayer, O Lord. I am asking, hear my prayer, O Lord.

#### **Prayerful Meditation**

"...prayer and meditation can be thought of as the creation of a mental space in which the energies of dreaming and the concerns of waking life are invited to meet each other and to have a mutual, open-ended conversation."<sup>2</sup>

Enter into prayer trusting that God who

walks beside you in your waking

also accompanies you through your dreaming - keeping vigil, ever present.

### We Hold in Prayer...

Many of this week's prayers are requests from members of our congregation in the past week. **If you have general or specific prayer requests - joys as well as concerns - to share** please contact Holly or Daryn to pass them along.

As a community of faith gathered in Spirit when we cannot be in person as we are accustomed, we offer our hearts and voices in prayer where we are, entrusting the Spirit's moving among us and responding far beyond our individual reach and influence...

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Kelly Bulkeley, *Transforming Dreams: Learning Spiritual Lessons from the Dreams You Never Forget* (New York: John Wiley & Sons, 2000).

We celebrate the collaboration we shared during the Advent season with **FBC Newton**. For the **joy that comes when we join others in creative endeavors**, we give thanks ... *praise God, from whom all blessings flow* ...

For the joy of being together in worship via Zoom, and held together by these Worship resources and Calls of Caring each week, we say Thank You! We are so grateful for one another and this community that shares the love of Christ across barriers of technology, barriers of distance, barriers of masks, barriers of time, barriers of disease --- God, yours has always been a love that transcends any wall or barricade, anything in its path --- for that love we are truly thankful, and we celebrate our church community for exhibiting that so well each and every day ... praise God, from whom all blessings flow ...

With Nancy we give thanks **for the beautiful services last Sunday** - the morning Advent worship and Evening Christmas Celebration (Zoom to the Manger) - of scripture, carols and prayer ... **praise God**, **from whom all blessings flow** ...

Pastor Daryn is grateful **for the musical offerings of Sean Lair, Dooseon Woo, and Jon Hazilla** for our evening worship last Sunday, and **for the music of her sisters**, offered Sunday morning during worship with FBC Newton ... praise God, from whom all blessings flow ...

We give thanks that our church is moving forward with the **restoration of our front porch**, and celebrate the **hiring of a project manager** ... **praise God**, from whom all **blessings flow** ...

We continue to remember all those in assisted living facilities. We pray for the folks at Wingate, for Barbara and Bruce and their families. Keep them safe and grant your peace and vigilant care to all in that facility and others throughout our community. We continue to remember Gloria and Jim Beal, and Marilyn Blake who are also in assisted living. We pray that folks continue to take precautions to keep residents and workers safe ... Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ... As a community we continue to remember **those in assisted living who are lonely and isolated**, and having a **difficult time finding peace** in their circumstances. Help them to know **it is okay to feel discouraged and frustrated**. Help them to know **you are a safe place to bring all of who we are and that your love is big enough to hold us**, however we find ourselves. Most importantly, **we pray that your presence be made known to them in a way that offers some reassurance of your love and abiding and steadfast, faithful presence**. For Marilyn Blake, Meg Shannon, Gaby Young, and others especially in need of this prayer *... Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...* 

We give thanks that **Stan Gibson and family** are all healthy and doing well ... praise God, from whom all blessings flow ...

With Liz, Andrew, and others, we celebrate **the gift of The Welcome Table** this Advent season and the reflections of Pastor Daryn and her sisters each day. We also celebrate that we were able to incorporate the **inspiring devotions**, **artwork and worship materials from** *Those Who Dream*, **from Sanctified Art** into our Advent worship. **For these seasonal offerings**, we give thanks ... **praise God**, **from whom all blessings flow** ...

With Cindy, we pray **that our PPP loan is forgiven in its entirety**, and we give thanks **for the diligence of Cindy** for following up and submitting the documentation we needed to make this loan and its forgiveness possible ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer* ...

With Andrew, we offer prayers for **Wren** who has had a sore throat and will be tested for COVID-19 ... Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...

God, we offer prayers **for the families who are spending this Christmas absent loved ones**. We ask **your comfort for those struggling with being apart** during this holiday, and for the strain of the season on **lonely and broken hearts** ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer* ... We particularly remember **those whose loved ones have passed away in recent years**. We remember **Harry** during this time as he navigates the holiday following Jean's passing, along with **the family of Laurene Ingham**, as they mourn her absence this year. **Grant them your peace** as they navigate the holidays without those dearest to their hearts ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer* ...



We ask, God, that you would **accompany those who are struggling with depression**, **and all those for whom this season is especially difficult. Remind us that all are welcome in your love** - the good news of Christmas was for shepherds and wise ones alike - those curious and questioning; those unsure, afraid and trembling. You are with us, and your love will always be with us - no matter what. We remember this particularly as we celebrate the birth of Love incarnate -Jesus Christ who is called Emmanuel, "God with Us" ... Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...

We pray for **Marilyn**, for the health and **recovery of her lungs**, and for **God's peace to accompany her** through this difficult time ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer* ...

We celebrate that **Katie J.** was **able to rally so many folks to assist the Food Justice Program in Jamaica Plain** - particularly in a week of crisis when their food bank appointment was cancelled due to weather. Thanks to **Katie and a host of volunteers**, the 300+ families that have relied on this program for groceries and meals since the pandemic began **will not go hungry this week!** Thank you to **Katie** for organizing. Thank you to **Liz and Marty** for paper bags for the food distribution (these are truly a blessing and much needed). Thank you to **Mark Hellberg** for the extra bin for the collection outside. Thank you to **all who donated canned goods and other food items** this past week. What a blessing you have been to so many! ... praise God, from whom all blessings flow ...

With Jim, we pray for **our country's new administration**. That they will be able to



bring healing in our nation, and address the pandemic and crises surrounding the climate and health care, disparities and racism in a way that is restorative for all ... Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...

With Marty, Nancy, Bev, Barbara, Louise, Dorothy and Anne, and others we give **thanks for the Calls of Caring and worship resources each week and for the support and work of our** 

pastors ... praise God, from whom all blessings flow ...

With Anne, we give thanks **that she will be with her children this Christmas** and that **Bruce should be home at Wingate from surgery by Christmas** ... praise God, from whom all blessings flow ...

With Anne and Barbara, we pray that **Bruce's** surgery goes well and **that he is back at Wingate by Christmas** ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer* ...

With John C., we give thanks that he is home from the hospital after a forty-one day stay! Thanks be to God for this good news and that he is able to be home with JoAnn

for the holidays. What an amazing Christmas gift! A prayer of gratitude for the calls, text messages, and crayons! ... praise God, from whom all blessings flow ...

We offer our gratitude for the small wonders that happen around the church when no one is looking - for Mark Hellberg and his shoveling out of our Advent words! For the rearranging of the nativity in the chapel so that the wise ones and shepherds made it to the manger to adore the baby Jesus (who made it to the manger) - thank you, Ernie! For the battery changes in our lights outside (thank you, Clif) ... praise God, from whom all blessings flow ...



With Clif, we give thanks for the opportunity to hear and sing Christmas carols this year ... praise God, from whom all blessings flow ...

With Linda Beall, we give thanks that her parents, **Gloria and Jim**, are currently **able to spend time together in assisted living** - a situation that has been fluctuating

through the pandemic, and we celebrate that **they are both happy and healthy** ... praise God, from whom all blessings flow ...

We celebrate that Dorothy will have an **opportunity to shop with her daughter** this week. Though their Christmas will be a small one this year (a highly unusual occurrence), Dorothy gives thanks **that her family is healthy and in good holiday spirit**. We give thanks **for this good report** *... praise God, from whom all blessings flow ...* 

We give thanks that Louise is in good health and good spirits. She offers additional gratitude for the continued health and well being of her family and that they will be calling one another for Christmas. For the small and quiet Christmas with George around her tabletop Christmas tree, and for all creative and adapted ways folks are celebrating Christmas this year, we offer gratitude ... praise God, from whom all blessings flow ...

With Nancy we anticipate the **opportunities to try new things this Christmas** - for a chance to live into new possibilities and flip the script for the holidays, baking and light-looking around Needham *... praise God, from whom all blessings flow ...* 

We pray for the continued healing of **Ernie Steeves**. We pray that the results of his scan this week will be **good news of great joy**, and give thanks that he has been able to sleep well in recent days ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer* ...

We offer prayers for **Clif's friend in Missouri** who is finishing up treatments for prostate cancer, and offer our thanksgiving that the treatments are wrapping up ... *praise God, from whom all blessings flow* ...

With Nancy, we continue to remember her friend, **Mary**, in prayer as she travels to Florida once again to be with her sister, **Carol** in the last stages of her illness. God, **grant them this time with one another as a blessing - may they bring comfort** to one another's hearts and **find moments of hope and peace** in the midst of this heartbreaking time ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer* ... We continue to remember Nancy's sister in law, Kathy, and Kathy's mother, Mary Ann, who is undergoing a procedure and tests related to cancer on her birthday this week. We ask that God's peace would accompany Mary Ann and Kathy as they sit in the uncertainty of this time ... Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...

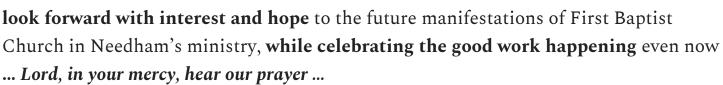
God, we pray for chaplains and all those keeping vigil and holding space for the fears and grief of people this year, particularly in this week of Christmastide ... Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...

With Clif, we celebrate the **longer days and added light** ... *praise God, from whom all blessings flow* ...

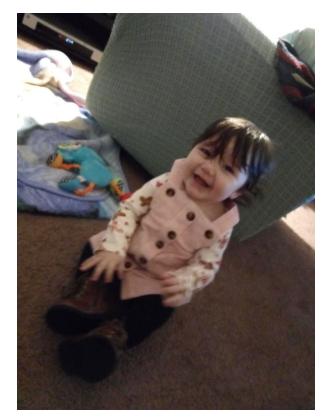
With Ernie we give thanks **for good friends**, and particularly this week **for a call from Clif Holbrook** that brightened his day ... praise God, from whom all blessings flow ...

With Andrew, we give thanks for all the babies born in our community this year for whom this will be their first Christmas! ... praise God, from whom all blessings flow ...

With Sue Sarafinas, we pray **for our community as we navigate the Creative Callings** process, and



We celebrate the **long awaited vaccines for COVID-19** that have begun to be administered in the United States! We give a **joyous shout of celebration for all those that worked so diligently to ensure its development, safety and efficacy**. We pray,



along with Katie J., that these vaccines will be distributed safely, efficiently and equitably ... praise God, from whom all blessings flow ...

God, with Ernie we recognize the pain of being alone and isolated from family and friends in this time, but also acknowledge the love inherent in those decisions to distance ourselves during this pandemic, and give thanks for the love shown around us. With Anthony we pray that you give us the strength to overcome this pandemic. With Jim we pray for the health and well being of our country and our world as we continue to fight COVID-19 ... Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...

We continue to remember the many lives that have been lost due to COVID-19. We pause, and remember in this time of prayer that they were each precious children of God. We hold each family, and each individual grieving the loss of a loved one in our hearts. We pray that our prayers might bring some comfort and some awareness that they are not alone, that they, and those departed, are remembered and loved ... Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...

We continue to hold Clif's friends, Eileen and Tom League, in our hearts and prayers, who were recently diagnosed with COVID-19. We give



thanks for their recovery each day ... Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...

We continue to pray for Eda Jackson who is in her fifth week in COVID ICU - God, make your presence known to her and her family, surround them with your compassionate love ... Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...

We offer continued prayers for **Darren Dickens**, a pastor in Mississippi who is improving, but remains in the hospital with **COVID** ... Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...

Prayers for Bruce Smith, age 17, who is at home with COVID -19 ... Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...

We continue to pray for Liz's cousin in law, **Dan**, who is still **awaiting test results** to see if he is eligible for a procedure to help his lungs; he has COPD and there are concerns related to his being anesthetized for the procedure. It could prove helpful, however, if he is a candidate. God we pray **for the best outcome possible for Dan and his family** ... Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...

For the glorious wonders of the heavens, and for the vision of the bright "star" in our sky this week - reminiscent of the Bethlehem star long ago. We give thanks for the things that still cause us to express wonder and awe - for the aligning of Saturn and Jupiter, we hold joy and admiration for you and your wondrous creation ... praise God, from whom all blessings flow ...

God, we ask your **mercy upon us** when the mistakes and misgivings of our minds, hearts and bodies lead to irrevocable consequences that cause others, and our world, more pain. **Have mercy on us** when we abuse our power and privilege, when we misjudge, or when our biases and prejudices cloud our vision and corrupt our action. We pray for our divided communities, **unite us in your love and mark us with repentance and humility** so we can seek the change we need to heal. Again, help *all of us* seek and be ready for the **transformation** that needs to come for justice and peace to reign in the hearts and systems we create ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer* ... We continue to offer prayers that **the stain of racism that exists on the fabric of our nation and and the tendencies toward discrimination and dehumanization in our world would be eradicated**. Give us the **strength to overcome** these sins ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer* ...

Merry Christmas, everyone! May it be a Christmas filled with the light and promise of Christ's birth: the babe born in a manger of hay cries out that even into the bleakest of midwinter scenarios shines a promise of possibility to reimagine our world, shines an opportunity to offer into it a love that transcends and dispels all manner of death, destruction, and shadow ... Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ... Dorothy, Ernie, Louise, and Nancy offer final blessings to our community this week: "Merry Christmas and Ho-ho-ho!" - Dot Kinne "My love to everyone." - Ernie Steeves "Prayers for health and happiness for everybody! Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!" - Louise Mason "At least there's hope!" - Nancy Twombly

For the prayers of our hearts that you, Holy One, know even when words cannot hold them...*Hear my prayer, O Lord...* 



#### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.

Amen.

### Offering

During this time of offering, consider going right now to <a href="https://www.fbcneedham.org">https://www.fbcneedham.org</a> (Take Action) to complete your offering or continue to support the ongoing ministry of the church by writing your check to the church office and preparing it to mail to: First Baptist Church in Needham, 858 Great Plain Avenue, Needham MA 02492. Please indicate it is your offering or pledge on the check. Let this act be a spiritual practice woven in within your worship.

# **RMMO** - Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering

Throughout December we are collecting one of our four denominational offerings of 2020. **\*TO PICK UP 2021 Offering Envelopes ...** ... contact Robin in the church office to arrange a time for pick up. If you are unable to pick up yourself, we will try to arrange their delivery in the new year.

#### Doxology

#### OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

#### Benediction

(Speak these words of benediction knowing that you are part of a loving community of faith. If you lit a candle at the beginning, you may wish to blow it out now.)

One: Our blessing to one another is that we are here for one another, that we are with one another, that we celebrate and remember one another along the journey. ALL: We extinguish the Candle of Life, but the Light continues to shine within us. As we pass the peace we carry the Light of the Candle of Life from this hour into this world and beyond, offering peace, hope and light wherever the journey leads.

### **Passing of the Peace**

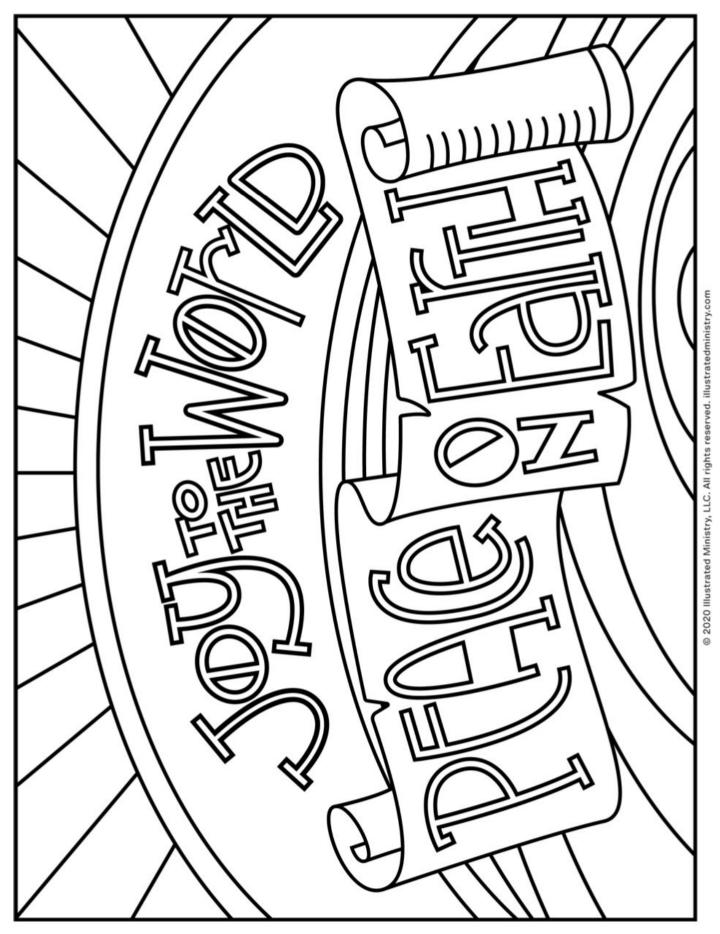
One: The peace of Christ be with you. ALL: And also with you.

One: Let us greet one another in peace as we prepare for the journey ahead.

We celebrate the birth of Jesus - Emmanuel, "God With Us" -Divine Love in and for our world, incarnate.

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### From Bethlehem to Boston



God's love is all around













Thank you, Katie J. ! and to all who donated food, bags, bins and time. We celebrate the Love of God and the light of Christ born for us, borne of us.



# Announcements

#### Our ministry at FBC Needham continues!

Our church office has re-opened for our Office Manager, Robin Bevilacqua. We are encouraging limited visits to the church building, and all who visit are required to mask, sign-in, and socially distance. If you need to speak with Robin, please call ahead if you can. Pastoral and other church staff are working from home. Office voicemail and email are being checked regularly. If you have a pastoral concern, contact Pastor Daryn or Pastor Holly by email, phone, or text.



# Merry Christmas! Christ is Born!

Dec 27th and following Have a Blessed Christmas Holiday! Worship Resources and Calls of Caring will be provided each week. You are encouraged to make use of the worship resources we provide, and to find other meaningful opportunities for worship and reflection, Zoom services, or other spiritually enriching means of communing with God and community during this time of social distancing.



### Worship Resource and Calls of Caring will continue!

We are aware how much the Worship Resource and Calls of Caring mean to our community, particularly to those of our community members unable to attend services in person or via Zoom. We will continue with the publication of these materials and with our calls each week, and will make an effort not to call during the time of Zoom services on Sunday mornings. Blessings, all!

Rejoice in the birth of Christ! Live into the Love of Jesus! Be the light of Christ in the world!



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OUR MEETINGS FOR THIS YEAR HAVE ENDED. WE WILL PICK BACK UP ON ZOOM, JANUARY 10, 2021, with a congregational retreat to kick off year two of our Creative Callings process. The first community partner video of our 2021 process will be posted on that same day. Here's to next year! Reserve Thursdays at 6:30pm in 2021 for our congregational conversations for discernment via Zoom!

Thank you to all who have shown up curious, engaged the videos and video partners in meaningful dialogue, curated questions, and held possibility for our church in this process of discernment and dreaming. If you have questions about Creative Callings, or how you can best support First Baptist in our participation, please contact Pastor Daryn, pastordaryn@fbcneedham.org.

### Newsletter

Check out our most recent issue of our Newsletter, *In*Spire. There you will find important information about worship, Creative Callings, stewardship and financial giving, as well as our upcoming capital campaign and building and organ restoration projects. There is a lot happening at FBC Needham this fall and I encourage you to actively participate in the life-giving ministry and discernment taking place in our community. To receive a copy, email <u>churchoffice@fbcneedham.org</u>.

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**Do You Need Washable Masks?** Be Kind Needham Masks for Seniors is a local organization making washable fabric masks available to local senior residents *for free.* Your health and safety in the weeks and months ahead is paramount, and having reusable, washable masks aids sanitation, is environmentally friendly, and is cost-effective. If you or a senior you know need masks, please contact Pastor Daryn or Pastor Holly.

**Needham Community Council** continues to provide necessary resources and food to individuals in need of their services. If you or someone you know are in need of reaching out to them or if you want to learn how you can best volunteer to help at this time, go to their website at: <u>http://needhamcommunitycouncil.org</u>.

Please note: They are accepting donations <u>by appointment only</u> at this time due to safety protocols. Financial donations are greatly appreciated and needed.

### Security Adjustments

**Changing Member Page Password:** email or call Pastor Daryn for the NEW password for our church membership page. Our Creative Callings password is the same as before. The membership directory has been taken down from the website for now. Please let Pastor Daryn know if you need to be in touch with someone in the community pastordaryn@fbcneedham.org.

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