

SERMON NOTES

Good News at the Cross Road

Isaiah 40:1-11; Psalm 85:1-2,8-13; 2 Peter 3:8-15; Mark 1:1-8

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The
LORD
will give
what
is good,

the glory
of the LORD
shall be revealed

Comfort, O comfort
my people, says your God.

He will feed his flock like a shepherd;
he will gather the lambs in his arms,
****and carry them in his bosom, ****
****and gently lead the mother sheep.****

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...his salvation is at hand... Scripture texts in order: Psalm 85:12a;
Isaiah. 40:5a; 40:1; 40:11; Psalm. 85:9;
...do not fear; Isa. 40:9c; 2 Pet. 3:9; Mk. 1:3; 2 Pet 3:8

The Lord is not slow
about his promise,
as some think of slowness,
but is patient with you,
not wanting any to perish,
but all to come to repentance.

Prepare the way of
the LORD, make his
paths straight.

...with the Lord
one day is like a thousand years,
and a thousand years
are like one day.

MINISTRY LEADERS

Dr. Ron Hinson

Senior Pastor

Steve Branch

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Youth

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Dixie Gentry

Administrative Assistant

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TO OUR GUESTS

Thank you for coming! We are glad that you have joined us for worship. You are encouraged to fill out a Connection Card found in the pew in front of you. Please place the card in the offering plate as it passes or bring to the Welcome Center following worship. If you are unable to stay after worship today, you may place your card in the Connection Box in the church foyer as you exit.

Please accept this service as a gift to you from the LaFayette family. The giving of tithes and offerings as a part of this worship experience is an opportunity to support the ministry and mission of LaFayette in response to God's faithfulness to us.

For our youngest guests, infants through kindergarten, Extended Teaching Care (ETC) is provided. Any of our ushers would be happy to assist you in locating the Preschool Area.

Following worship, we have a time of Bible Study for all age-groups. Preschool, children, and youth are in age-graded classes. Our adults have a variety of options depending on your preference. Our Welcome Center staff will be glad to assist you in finding your place. In the hallway behind the sanctuary, follow the crowd and you will see the "Welcome Center" on the left.

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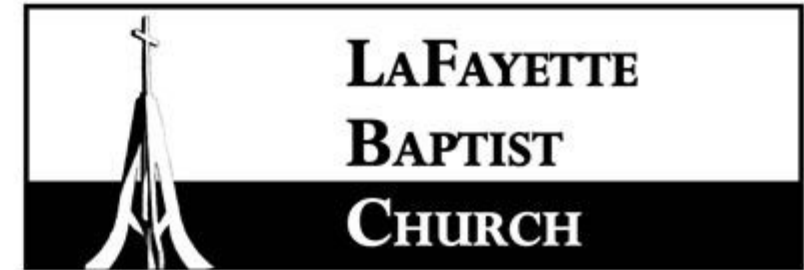
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Today in Worship

December 10, 2017

Announcements

Welcome and Prayer

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Advent Wreath

Genia Bateman
Jackie O'Donnell

Celebration Choir

Emmanuel

Dixie Gentry, Interpretive Movement

Epistle Reading

2 Peter 3:8-15a
Pew Bible: Page 861

O Little Town of Bethlehem

Angels, From The Realms of Glory

Worship Through Giving

Christmas Bell Medley

Jeanine Carson, solo ringer
Ann Hobgood, piano

Message

Dr. Ron Hinson

“Good News at the Cross Road”

Mark 1:1-8

Pew Bible: Page 707

Time of Commitment

Come, Lord Jesus (Even So Come)

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The angel in the vestibule during this Christmas season is given to the glory of God in celebration of the birth of our Savior and in loving memory of Vallie and Joe Comer by the Comer - Whitman Family.

- ❖ Many thanks to Kelly Lewis, Jessica Chapman, Dewayne Chapman, William Danforth, and Natalya Fisher for the beautiful decorations in the Worship Center. We are also grateful for Charles Webster, Carl Gentry, Steve Branch, April Coleman, Al McEachern, and Deb Laymon who helped with the process!
- ❖ The Worship Ministry will present **Wonder and Glory TONIGHT at 5:30pm**. We hope everyone will join us for this special time of worship. Please bring your favorite sweet or salty Christmas treat to share afterward!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Minister on Call

December 11: April Coleman

December 15-17: Ron Hinson

- ❖ **Extended Teaching Care** - Extended Teaching Care is for babies-Kindergarteners during the worship hour. Our volunteers for today are Babies-Younger Toddlers: Cathy White and Claudia Mabry, Older Toddlers - Younger 4's: Suzanne Cox and Stephanie DeVault, Pre-K/K: Matt Coleman, Elizabeth Hile, and Morgan Boehmer. This schedule is subject to change. We are incredibly grateful for your service.
- ❖ The **Children's Christmas Choir needs to meet Mrs. April this afternoon at 4:30pm upstairs in their Christmas colors for tonight's musical**. Next Sunday, December 17, they will meet at 9:15am in the Worship Center.
- ❖ **The Preschool Christmas Choir will sing in worship next Sunday, December 17. They need to meet Mrs. April and their teachers in B134 at 9:10am.**
- ❖ **Preschool and Children's Sunday School classes will celebrate in-class Christmas parties on Sunday, December 17.**
- ❖ **Sunday, December 17 at noon there will be a brief meeting of all Teams (Personnel, Finance, and Maintenance) and Councils (Worship, Evangelism, Equipping, Missions, and Nurture) in the Worship Center.**
- ❖ As always, we are looking forward to our Christmas Eve Service this year! Here is a schedule for **Christmas Eve**, which falls on a Sunday this year. **Morning Worship** will be at **9:30am** as usual. Our traditional **Christmas Eve Worship Service** will begin at **6:00pm that evening**. We will not have Bible Study/Sunday School that day or any other activities besides the two worship services.

Weekly General Fund Budget Needed: \$10,838.48

General Fund Received December 3, 2017: \$11,588.60

THIS WEEK AT LBC

TODAY-Sunday, December 10

8:45am Church-Wide Prayer Time, A121
9:30am Worship
10:45am Bible Study for All Ages
Adults: In search of your group? Come by the Welcome Center
Youth (7th-12th Grades), Room U212
Children (1st-6th Grades), Classrooms
Preschoolers (Babies-Kindergarten), B Hallway Classrooms
5:30pm “Wonder and Glory”, Worship Center
(Fellowship and Snacks to Follow in the Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, December 12

6:30am Men's Prayer Breakfast, K&W Cafeteria on Village Drive

Wednesday, December 13

10:30am Intercessory Prayer, Prayer Room
6:30pm Bible Study, Fellowship Hall
Celebration Choir, Music Suite
Youth Mid-Week Workout, U210-U212
Connections for Children and Families, Multi-Purpose Room

Sunday, December 17

8:45am Church-Wide Prayer Time, A121
9:30am Worship
10:45am Bible Study for All Ages
12Noon All Councils/Teams Meeting, Worship Center
4:30pm Cookie Exchange, Fellowship Hall
5:30pm Christmas Caroling, Meet at the Church

We graciously request that no food or beverages be brought into the Worship Center at any time. Thank you!

WC - Worship Center, MS - Music Suite, FH - Fellowship Hall PR - Prayer Room,
MP - Multi-Purpose Room, U - Upstairs
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