

Day of Fasting & Prayer Advent

Morning – 6 – 10 am

1. Reading

Jesus Christ conceived by the Holy Spirit – Matt. 1: 18 – 25

2. Praise

You shall call His name Immanuel – God is with us – Is.7:14

3. Reading

Magi visit – Matt. 2: 1 – 12

4. Praise

For out of you shall come a Ruler who will Shepherd My people Israel – Mic.5:2

5. Reading

Fleeing to Egypt – Matt. 2: 13 – 15

6. Praise

Out of Egypt I have called My Son – Hos.11:1

7. Prayer of thanks for Jesus - Savior of the world

Mid - morning till Noon – 10am – 1pm

1. Reading

The birth of Jesus foretold to Mary – Lk. 1:26 – 38

2. Praise

His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed – Dan. 7:14

3. Reading

The Magnificat – Mary's praise for Jesus Christ birth – Lk. 1:46 -55

4. Praise

His mercy is upon generation after generation toward those who fear Him – Ps. 103:17

5. Reading

Zechariah's prophecy of Jesus Christ coming as the Sunrise on High – Lk. 1:67 - 79

6. Praise

To shine upon those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death – Is. 9:2

7. Prayer of thanks for Jesus Christ – Light of the world

Mid Afternoon – 2 – 4 pm

1. Reading

Simeon's praise of Jesus Christ birth – Lk. 2:21 – 35

2. Praise

I will make you a light of the nations, so that My salvation may reach to the ends of the earth – Isa. 49:6

3. Reading

Anna's praise of Jesus Christ birth – Lk. 2:36 – 38

4. Praise

He saved them from the hand of the one who hated them, and redeemed them from the hand of the enemy – Ps. 106:10

5. Reading

Jesus Christ the only begotten God who is in the bosom of the Father
John 1: 1 -5; 14 – 18

6. Praise

No one has seen God at any time, the only begotten God who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained Him – John 1:18

7. Prayer of thanks for Jesus Christ – Only begotten of the Father

A Call to a day of fasting & prayer for Advent

**Advent is the time when believers prepare to celebrate the first coming of the Lord Jesus Christ at Christmas. The Lord Jesus Christ became flesh and dwelt among us!
Advent is also the time when believers expectantly look forward to the second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. We pray: Come Lord Jesus!**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God.

In Him was life and the life was the Light of men.

There was the true Light which, coming into the world, enlightens everyman.

He was in the world and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him.

And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we say His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 1:1 – 4; 9 -10; 14

Join with all the members of First Baptist Church for a day of fasting and prayer December 17 from 8 am – 4pm. The Fast is abstaining from food only for the period of 8 am – 4pm.

If you can give the day completely to fasting and prayer, work through the readings & suggested praise & prayer times. Fast & pray with the church for the entire day if possible. It would be good to spend the day abstaining from the use of electronic devices for the day if possible in order not to detract from your time with the Lord.

If you are unable to give the day to the readings & guided times of praise & prayer because of work or other conflicts, then seek to join at break times during the day. Observe a time of prayer before going to work. Pause at lunch time to spend your lunch hour in prayer. Then after work take time to pray and praise God the Father for His gift of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Lord instructed:

Whenever you fast, do not put on a gloomy face as the hypocrites do, for they neglect their appearance so that they will be noticed by men when they are fasting. Truly I say they have their reward in full. But you, when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face so that your fasting will not be noticed by men, but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees what is done in secret will reward you. Matt. 6: 16 -18

Morning – 6 – 10 am

1. Opening prayer

O Lord, in the morning you hear my voice; in the morning I prepare a sacrifice for you and watch Ps. 5:3

Read and reflect on Ps. 5 as you begin your fast

Begin your personal time of prayer to the Lord as you begin your fasting & prayer

Adore Him, Confess your sins to Him, Thank Him, & Request of Him what you need

2. Reading

Jesus Christ conceived by the Holy Spirit – Matt. 1: 18 – 25

Record observations from the reading regarding the Lord Jesus virgin birth

3. Praise

You shall call His name Immanuel – God is with us – Is.7:14

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Magi visit – Matt. 2: 1 – 12

Record observations from the reading regarding the Magi visit

5. Praise

For out of you shall come a Ruler who will Shepherd My people Israel – Mic.5:2

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Record your observations from the reading regarding the Lord Jesus exile in Egypt

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8. Prayer of thanks for Jesus - Savior of the world

Make your intercessory & thanksgiving prayers here

Until now you have asked nothing in My name; ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be made full John 16:24

Mid - morning till Noon – 10am – 1pm

1. Prayer

My mouth is filled with your praise, and with your glory all the day Ps. 71:8

Read and reflect on Ps. 71 as you continue your fast

Begin your personal prayer time as you pause to reflect on the morning in prayer

Adore Him, Confess your sins to Him, Thank Him, & Request of Him what you need

2. Reading

The birth of Jesus foretold to Mary – Lk. 1:26 – 38

Record your observations regarding the prophecy of Mary soon birth of the Lord Jesus

3. Praise

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4. Reading

The Magnificat – Mary's praise for Jesus Christ birth – Lk. 1:46 -55

Record your observations regarding Mary's praise for her selection to be the mother of the Lord Jesus Christ

5. Praise

His mercy is upon generation after generation toward those who fear Him – Ps. 103:17

6. Reading

Zechariah's prophecy of Jesus Christ coming as the Sunrise on High – Lk. 1:67 – 79

Record your observations regarding Zechariah's prophecy

7. Praise

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***Truly, I say to you, if you ask the Father for anything in My name, He will give it to you
John 16:23***

Mid Afternoon – 2 – 4 pm

1. Prayer

O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise Ps. 51:15

Read and reflect on Ps. 51 as you continue your fast

Pause to reflect on your noon time prayer time

Adore Him, Confess your sins to Him, Thank Him, & Request of Him what you need

2. Reading

Simeon's praise of Jesus Christ birth – Lk. 2:21 – 35

Record your observations regarding Simeon's praise of the birth of Jesus Christ

3. Praise

I will make you a light of the nations, so that My salvation may reach to the ends of the earth – Isa. 49:6

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Record your observations regarding Anna's praise of the Jesus Christ

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You did not choose Me but I chose you, and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit, and that your fruit would remain, so that whatever you ask of the Father in My name He may give to you John 15:16