



## Let Us Worship the Lord Together!

Sunday, December 25, 2022, 11:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements  
Moments of Meditation

### God Loves the World in This Way

Call to Worship	“Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come” (Hymn 87)
Scripture	John 3.16
Worship Song	“Sing We Now of Christmas” (Hymn 111)
Morning Prayer	
Prayer Response	“Go, Tell It on the Mountain” (Hymn 95)

### He Gave His One and Only Son

Message from the Word of God	(see insert)
Response to God	
Commitment of Life and Tithes and Offerings*	
Meditation	“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing” Curtis Powell, Piano
Benediction Chorus	“Go, Tell It on the Mountain” (chorus only)

\* Offering and Communication Card Return:

Please place your offering and Communication Card in the basket or box located at the exits. You may also give and respond online through [acbc.churchtrac.com](http://acbc.churchtrac.com). (Or use the QR code on back of Communication Card.)



For hearing aid users, we have a hearing loop installed in the Sanctuary. Activate the t-coil in your hearing aid to take advantage of this system.

### Welcome to Ancient City Baptist Church!

Guests, we are glad you are here! We also invite you to complete the Communication Card to the right and place it in the basket or box located at each exit as you leave the Sanctuary. **Members and regular attenders**, you are also encouraged to use the Communication Card for information updates, prayer requests, and other responses you may have.

#### “Pray for one another...”

(James 5.16)

Do you desire prayer for yourself or others? Someone will be happy to pray for you or with you following worship. Come to the front of the Sanctuary (near the organ) immediately after the service with your prayer requests. If you would prefer to have special prayer at another time or have a request placed on our Prayer List, please let us know through the Communication Card or by calling the church office.



In Revelation, Jesus dictates a letter that commends a church for many things but includes this rebuke: “But I have this against you: You have abandoned the love you had at first.” This year, let’s rekindle our love for Jesus and our commitment to his Way by studying the Gospel of John, for one of the key themes is love: God’s love for us and our love for one another. Also, it was penned by the Apostle John, the one known as “the disciple that Jesus loved.” Join us on this journey!

- January 1 The Giver of Life (John 20.30-31)
- January 8 In the Beginning (John 1.1-18)
- January 15 The Testimony of John (John 1.19-34)
- January 22 Come and See (John 1.35-51)
- January 29 Water to Wine (John 2.1-11)

Missed messages can be accessed through our website.



Today is the last message in our “Ready for Christmas” Series—“Christmas: Worth the Wait.” We hope you have enjoyed learning about the birth of Jesus and the true meaning of Christmas. Merry Christmas and thank you for being a part of our church community!

### COMMUNICATION CARD Comments or Prayer Needs

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## COMMUNICATION CARD

Sunday, December 25, 2022

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

### My Response Today...

- I want to place my faith in Jesus Christ and receive his gift of life, abundant and eternal.
- I would like to learn more about what it means to follow Jesus
- I would like to be baptized.
- I would like to learn more about church membership.
- I would like information on Life Groups/Sunday School classes.
- Please add me to ACBC's email list.
- I would like to speak to a minister at a mutually convenient time.
- Other *(please write on other side)*

### Guests...

We are glad you are here! Please complete this card and place it in the offering basket this morning.

This is my  1st  2nd  3rd or more time at Ancient City Baptist Church.

I was invited by \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate the number of people in your family in each age category:

65+ \_\_\_ 55-64 \_\_\_ 45-54 \_\_\_ 30-44 \_\_\_

18-29 \_\_\_ Youth (Grade 7-12) \_\_\_

Children (Grade 1-6) \_\_\_ Preschool \_\_\_

### Sunday, December 25

No Life Groups activities  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

### Sunday, January 1

No Life Groups activities  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

### Wednesday, December 28

No events scheduled  
*Enjoy the holidays with family and friends!*

## OPPORTUNITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Chili Cook-Off:** Do you love chili? Bring a pot of your BEST to our church-wide chili cook-off fellowship meal on Wednesday, January 18, at 6 p.m. Prizes will be awarded to the top three cooks based on the choices of our distinguished panel of judges!

**DiscipleLIFE Wednesday Studies:** On January 18, we will introduce DiscipleLIFE classes for the first 8 week term that will begin the following week, January 25. We will also offer TeamKID, an ongoing ministry for children. After eight weeks, we will start a new cycle and offer new opportunities. Some classes may be repeated as time goes by, since you may have an interest in more than one. More details will be provided soon.

**The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering** is our annual opportunity to support over 3500 missionaries serving internationally through our International Mission Board. Our church's 2022 goal is \$5,000. **Given to date: \$4,010.**

**Life Groups (Sunday School):** LG's meet on Sundays at 9:40 a.m. In these small group settings, attenders get to know one another better, study the Bible and discuss its application to life, and minister to each other and the community. We have Life Groups for most ages. Use the Communication Card to request more information.

**Bible Reading Schedules for 2023:** Want to read the Bible systematically in 2023? Bible Reading schedules for reading either the entire Bible or just the New Testament in 2023 are available in the Welcome Center.

**Ramblings** is an email that our pastor sends out weekly, and it is a good way to keep informed about what is happening week to week. If you would like to receive this email, fill in the form on the Communication Card and request to be added to the list.

**Office Closure:** Our office will be closed December 26-December 30.

**Year End Giving Reminder:** Any gift you wish to be considered as given in 2022 for tax purposes must be in the office or postmarked by December 31.

**Sanctuary Choir Rehearsals in 2023:** The choir rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, January 4, at 7:30 p.m. The choir is open to all who would like to join!

**Invitation Cards:** Please take a few invitation cards home with you today and give them out to help people connect with our website and learn of opportunities for worship this special season of the year.

**DEACONS OF THE WEEK:** Jim Crutchfield (904-679-9839) and Bob Blake (904-476-4100)

**WELCOME CENTER HOSTS:** Rick Weedman

Bob and Carolyn Blake

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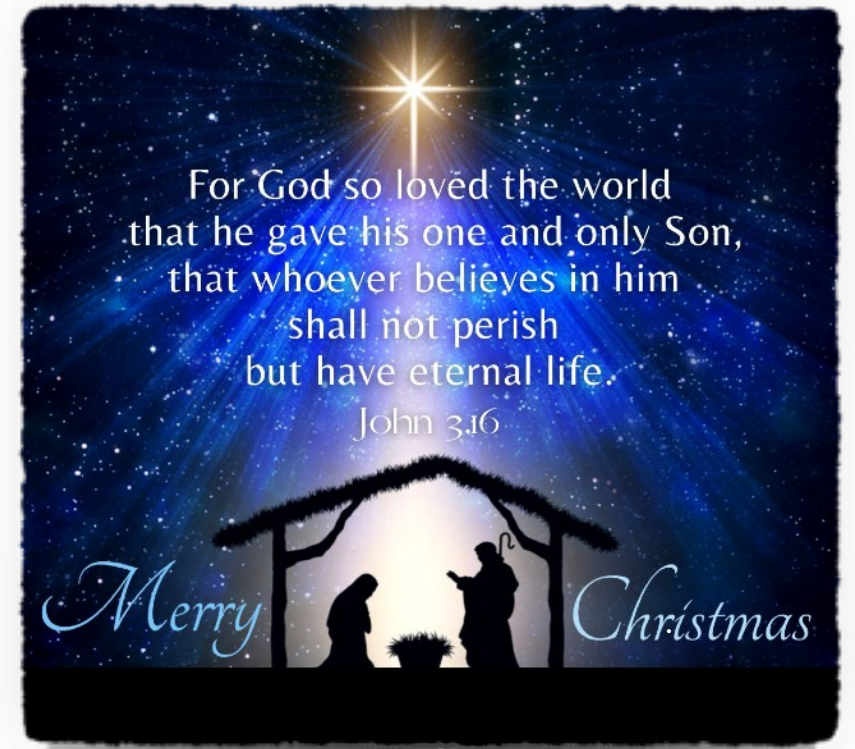
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Ancient City  
BAPTIST CHURCH

*Pursuing Life in Christ  
with Passion and Purpose!*



*Sunday, December 25, 2022*

Fred O. Pitts, Pastor  
Wayne Husk, Associate Pastor  
Curtis Powell, Music Director