



First Emmanuel Baptist Church

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December 2, 2012

Hymn..... "O Come, All Ye Faithful" ..... 201

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Hymn..... "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" ..... 229

Choir Special ..... "Christmas In Your Heart"

Hymn..... "O Little Town Of Bethlehem" ..... 243

Offerings ..... "The Doxology" ..... 217

Special Music..... Kathrine, Alyssa and Samantha Rend

Message..... Pastor Hill

Invitation Hymn .. "Jesus I Come" ..... 334

**WELCOME VISITORS!**

*We are privileged to have you in our services today. We desire that the Lord will speak to you through the music and the preaching of His Word.*

**Deacon on call for December : Dan Flatt**

**THIS WEEKS SCHEDULE**

**Sunday**

9:30 a.m. Men and Ladies Prayer Time  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship  
5:00 p.m. Choir Practice  
5:30 p.m. Cantata Practice  
6:30 p.m. Evening Worship

**Wednesday**

6:45 p.m. AWANA  
7:00 p.m. Bible Study/Teen Meet

**NURSERY SCHEDULE**

Sunday School  
Morning Service  
Alternate  
Evening Service

**THIS WEEK**

Kaylee Hill  
Robin Lewis  
Cindy Meggett  
Kimberly White

**NEXT WEEK**

Allison Gainous  
Angie Burns  
Allison Gainous  
Melody Gainous

**A Look Ahead**

**TODAY**

**Children will remain in the service this morning.**

**December 16**

6:30 PM "Celebrate The Child" Cantata  
Start inviting friends and family to share this wonderful time of CELEBRATION! Fellowship to follow. Please get those finger food recipes out...

**December 19**

6:00 PM **Awana Bell Choir**  
Depart from church for Magnolia Assisted Living

**December 23**

6:30 PM **Candlelight Service**

**January 6 – 9, 2013 Mike Shrock**

Originally from Seattle, Mike Shrock graduated from Bob Jones University in 1979 with a bachelor's degree in music education and went on to receive a master's degree in trumpet performance from Boston University. While working on his master's degree, the Lord called Mike to preach. Upon graduation he accepted a youth and music pastorate at a church near Springfield, Massachusetts, and then at Calvary Baptist Church in Windsor Locks, Connecticut. He later served as singles pastor at Bethel Baptist Church in Schaumburg, Illinois. Mike was the BJU representative for the New England states and New York for nine years. He received the master of ministry degree from Northland Baptist Bible College shortly after beginning his work with BJU. In addition to his preaching, Mike is a talented trumpet player and uses his skill frequently in his ministry. He and his wife, Lori, have one son, Drew.

## **A Maze From Above**

*Why sayest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O Israel, My way is hid from the LORD...?"* **Isaiah 40:27**

According to the *2008 Guinness Book of World Records*, the biggest maze in the world is at the Dole Plantation on the island of Oahu in Hawaii. Stretching over three acres and crafted from 14,000 colorful Hawaiian plants, you can wander around for miles trying to find your way out. But seen from above, the maze is amazing. It makes perfect sense, displays elegant symmetry, and in the very middle of it there is a huge image of -- what else? -- a pineapple.

When we feel lost in life, it helps to remember that seen from above our maze is amazing. God has planned and designed our pathways, incorporating into them those events that may presently confuse us. But at the very center of it all is the image of His Son.

Perspective is everything. When we see our problems from God's elevation, they seem smaller and make more sense. If we look at them simply at ground level, they may seem insurmountable. Ask God for His perspective for your circumstances today, and thank Him for His amazing grace.

***Wisdom is the capacity to see things from God's viewpoint.***  
**Charles Stanley, in *Walking Wisely***

### **EVENING**

HYMN # **208 Ring the Bells**

HYMN # **212 Go Tell It on the Mountain**

HYMN # **216 Away in a Manger**

HYMN # **227 Who Is He in Yonder Stall**

INVITATION HYMN # **331 Let Jesus Come Into Your Heart**