

Becks

Reformed Church

SUNDAY DECEMBER 20, 2020

E-BULLETIN

ORDER OF SERVICE, 9:30am, in the Sanctuary

For those unable to attend church at this time, the service will also be broadcast on FM 88.1, which makes it possible to listen to the service while in your car in the parking lot. We also intend to live stream through Facebook. The service will also be available on Monday morning at 9am via the church website.

The nursery has been cleaned and now available for the 9:30am service & Sunday School.

Encountering & Experiencing God in Worship

We come into the House of the Lord to exalt His name. To develop an engaging worship experience, your Elders are poised to serve.

- Prayer partners available for prayer (Js 5:14): Lon Crotts & Rick Leonard
- Hospitality with newcomers (II Tim 3:2): John Bryant & Greg Lohr
- Pastoral Care for those in need (1 Pe 5): Blair Crouse & Shirley Putnam
- Logistics and facilities (Ro 12:8): Doug Beck & Ronald Loman

JOIN US FOR **SUNDAY SCHOOL** at 10:45am to 11:30am *We're excited to help you Learn It, Love It, and Live it!*



"Bethlehem or Bust!". We continue our journey in a new sermon series, by that title. God is moving and we're on the move. too!

The flowers on the altar today have been placed to the glory of God and in loving honor of the Owen and Swing families by Martha Swing

Altar Flower Calendar
December 27 – Joyce Greer

2021 Altar Flower Sign Ups

Please sign up <u>online</u> or call the church office

TITHING INFORMATION

There will be collection boxes as you enter the front of the church and in the Amen corner for you to drop your tithe. You may also continue giving online or by mail. You may utilize Online Giving through PayPal at this Iink or you may find the link on our website at beckschurch.com under the GIVE ONLINE tab. 2021 tithing envelopes are now available at the mailboxes.

PRAYER REQUESTS

*denotes names coming off next week unless otherwise advised

Week 1: (newest)

Charles Swing

Week 2:

Barbara Jeanne Gonce Carol Crouse

Week 3:

Karen Allred William (Flash) Wynn Judy Hopkins

Jill Comer & Steve Comer

Week 4*:

Larry Dix Lee Bennett Tony Hall

Kade Riley Ketchie Marc & Brittany Ketchie

Ongoing Requests:

Christy Barringer Eddie King Imojean Burkhart Ann Wilkes Molly Sandifer Rev. Ed Armfield Fred Mock Sunny & students Search Committee

Loss Requests:

Family of Shirley Comer Family of David Sink

God, Speak, Guide, & Revive

COVID-19 Prayer Requests: Families facing lost wages or work due to COVID-19; Those in our community isolated at home; Families dealing with the adjustment of cancelled schools; Our local business owners & leaders;

Our elders & deacons; Our youth leaders; Our Sunday School & weekly Bible class teachers; Our Board of Christian Education; Our Congregation Fellowship Committee; Government & School Leaders for our county, state, & country; Our neighbors who don't know Christ and/or attend a local church

*Prayer Shawls are available for anyone in need of comfort or God's healing hand. Call Jackie Garner at 336-746-6157.

Christmas Eve Service Announcement

Your Consistory has determined that Covid capacity controls necessitate offering two Christmas Eve Candlelight services; at 7:00pm & 11:00pm. The first is informal, and the second, at 11:00pm, will be in keeping with what has been offered at Becks in years past. Come at your convenience and comfort.



The Men's Bible Class will be doing their annual Christmas BBQ again this year. Pickup for the BBQ will be on Christmas Eve morning. If you would like to purchase a ticket for

the BBQ or need additional information, please contact Rick Leonard at 336-225-3675 or Tim Burkhart at 336-250-0678. Thank you!

Parents! We have an awesome resource for you to use on Sunday mornings for your children called Sundays at Home by Parent Cue. Each week our Bible Story is posted online and shared in a fun engaging way your children will love! You can find the link on our Becks Youth Group Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/BecksYouthGroup or subscribe to Parent Cue on Youtube!

To access the wonderful video library at **RIGHT NOW MEDIA**, please click this link for your invitation to join!

Series: "Bethlehem or Bust!"

#2 Elizabeth: "Putting Cheer in Cheer Whine"

Luke 1 (1:26-38), 1:35-48, 56

Introduction:

- 1. Only in North Carolina...
- 2. Support: somebody who cares & shares
- 3. Commonality: expecting late teen & senior citizen.

I. Settles her Down with A

ation!

- A. By Accepting her
- B. By **Understanding** her
- C. By Affirming her
 - v43 "mother of my Lord"

II. Lifts her Up with C_

ation!

- A. By Centering her
 - 1. First-hand knowledge of things of God
 - 2. v41 "filled with Holy Spirit"
 - 3. v42 "cried out with a loud voice"
- B. By Cheering her
 - 1. v45 in essence: 'good for you'
 - 2. Ro 12:15
 - 3. We need cheerleaders !!

III. Fires her Up with M_____

ation!

- A. Turning point for Mary v46 ff
- B. No longer looking downward & inward: but forward!
 - Mission
 - Purpose
 - Vision.
 - Now:
 - Excited
 - Enlisted
 - Empowered
- C. All because of a little old lady.

Conclusion:

Put a little Cheer, in the Cheerwine.



Poinsettias & Gifts to the Elevator Fund:

IN HONOR OF: GIVEN BY:

Gavin & Aiden

Taylor & Chase Wall

Stephanie & Scott Shoaf

Penny & Stan Link

Molly Sandifer......Jim & Barbara Strickland

Michael & Audra Ray (poinsettia).....Lindsay & Linda Sink Jordan, Carter, & Marley

Our grandchildren & great-grandchildren....Donald & Joann Hedrick

IN MEMORY OF: GIVEN BY:

John Greer	Judy Greer-Stewart
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Lloyd & Eulis Carlton......Judy Greer-Stewart

Claudia & Marvin Leatherwood......Joyce Greer & family

Treva & Zeno Greer

Lloyd & Jean Burkhart (poinsettia).....Lindsay & Linda Sink



The Legend of the Poinsettia

A charming story is told of Pepita, a poor Mexican girl who had no gift to present the Christ Child at Christmas Eve Services. As Pepita walked slowly to the chapel with her cousin Pedro, her heart was filled with sadness rather than joy.

"I am sure, Pepita, that even the most humble gift, if given in love, will be acceptable in His eyes," said Pedro consolingly.

Not knowing what else to do, Pepita knelt by the roadside and gathered a handful of common weeds, fashioning them into a small bouquet. Looking at the scraggly bunch of weeds, she felt more saddened and embarrassed than ever by the humbleness of her offering. She fought back a tear as she entered the small village chapel.

As she approached the alter, she remembered Pedro's kind words: "Even the most humble gift, if given in love, will be acceptable in His eyes." She felt her spirit lift as she knelt to lay the bouquet at the foot of the nativity scene.

Suddenly, the bouquet of weeds burst into blooms of brilliant red, and all who saw them were certain that they had witnessed a Christmas miracle right before their eyes.

From that day on, the bright red flowers were known as the *Flores de Noche Buena*, or Flowers of the Holy Night, for they bloomed each year during the Christmas Season.

Today, the common name for this plant is the poinsettia!

Thank you is not enough to express our appreciation to Kevin Lipe and Randy Hedrick. Without you there would be no music at Beck's. Kevin brings out the very best voice in each of us and Randy makes sure we are on key! Because of you both, the choir always tries to do our very best. We Love You! Beck's Senior Choir

A special thanks to Beck's Reformed Church Congregation for their donations to the Elevator Fund. The donations will go toward the building of a church elevator to allow accessibility to all. Thank you!