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FBC exists to CONNECT people to God by faith in Jesus and to unite us to each other as we GROW together in faith and maturity in Christ, leading us to SERVE like Jesus in our church, our city, and the nations.

Today's Flowers

The sanctuary flowers are placed in memory of Cart Varnado on the 2 year anniversary of his death by his wife Reona, daughter Rehnea, Greg, and the girls.

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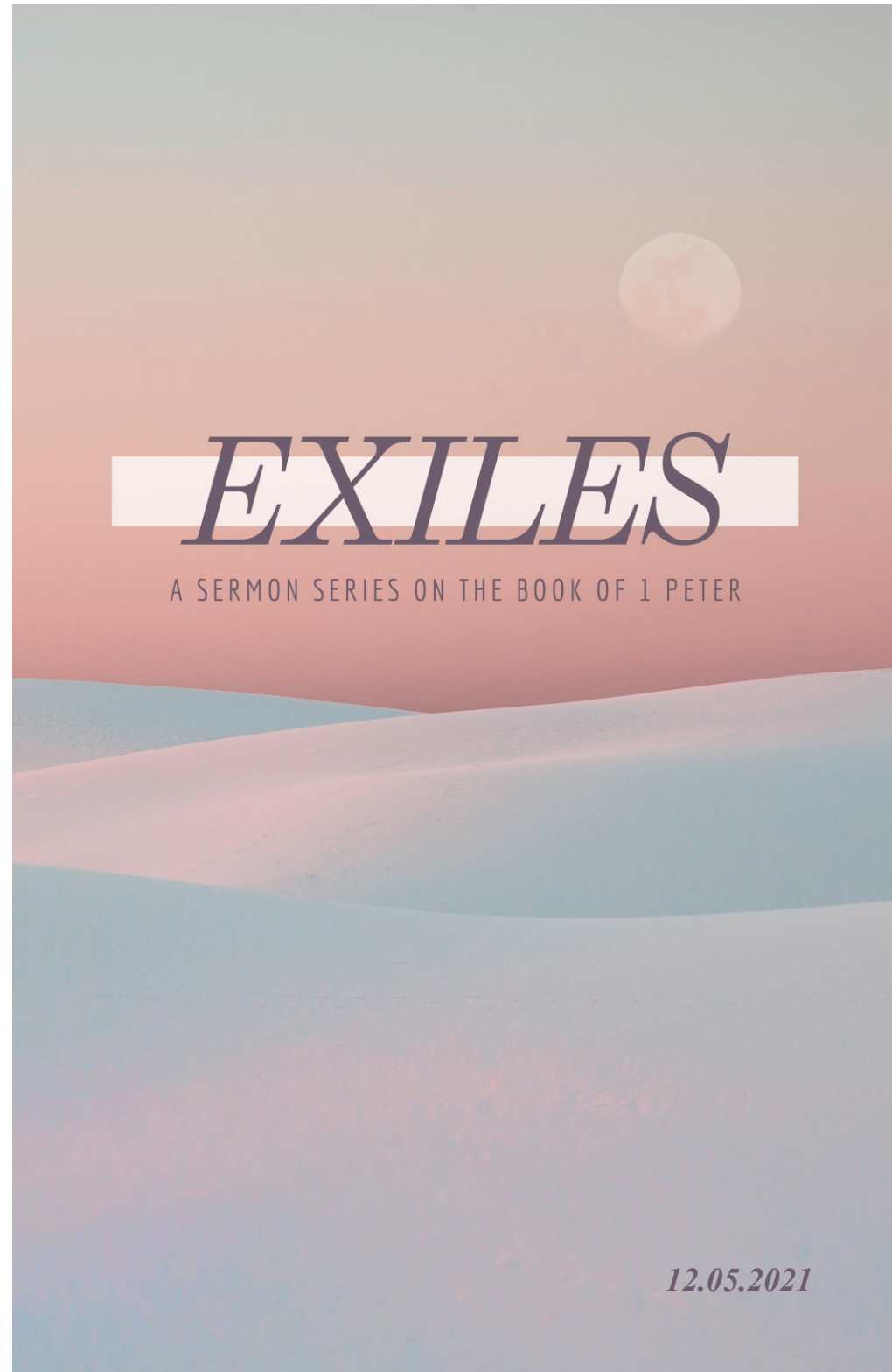
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Order of Worship

Prelude

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel// arr. Davenport

Welcome and Announcements Pastor David Rhymes

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Joy Has Dawned

Pastoral Prayer Sr. Pastor Oren Conner

The Love of God
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Psalms 24 Pastor Jason Haynes

Anthem Sanctuary Choir

The Coming of the Lord// Choplin

Deacon Offertory Prayer

Offering

A Winter Homecoming// arr. Nishimura
Tara Hymel, flute

Message Sr. Pastor Oren Conner

When God Exalts His People // 1 Peter 5:6-7
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Announcements Larkin Harris

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Announcements

Advent Devotional

Be sure to pick up a copy of this year's Advent Devotional. Today is the first day of Advent! The devotional is also available online at fbcbr.com/advent.

Christmas Poinsettias

To place poinsettias in the sanctuary for the Christmas season in memory or in honor of loved ones, contact the church office or Mrs. Fran Drago. They are \$10 each, and may be taken home following the Christmas Eve service.

2022 Budget Vote

Today following the worship service

O Night Divine: Christmas at First featuring the Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra.

Sunday, December 12 at 10:45 am

Don't miss this special service as we celebrate the Christmas season together! Mark your calendar and invite your friends to join us!

Senior Adult Luncheon

December 14th at 11:30 am

Entertainment: Leanne Clement and Opera Louisiana

Menu: Gumbo

Wednesday Night

Fellowship Meal at 5:00 pm

\$10 for adults, \$25 for families

Prayer Meeting at 5:30 pm

This week's menu: broccoli salad, parmesan pork with apples, peas with pearl onions, rolls, pecan cobbler

Downtown Pilgrimage

Sunday, December 12 at 5:30 pm
Begins at Mount Zion First Baptist

Join us for one of Baton Rouge's favorite Christmas traditions! Park at FBC and walk to each church to be blessed by the singing of Christmas carols and music presented by each church. The pilgrimage ends here at FBC with a mass choir singing the Hallelujah Chorus, followed by a cookie fellowship! Don't miss it!

Schedule:

5:30 pm - Mt. Zion First Baptist
6:00 pm - First United Methodist
6:30 pm - First Presbyterian
7:00 pm - St. Joseph Cathedral
7:30 pm - St. James Episcopal
8:00 pm - First Baptist

Remember the Star

Please join in our annual collection for items for the homeless. Our theme is "Remember the Star," the Star of Bethlehem, the star that led the wise men bearing gifts for the Christ Child. Bring your own gift of socks (unwrapped) to fill the BIG stocking near the library. These will be delivered to the Christian Outreach Center of Baton Rouge on December 20.

End of Year Giving

Just a reminder that all tithes and contributions must be postmarked by midnight on December 31 to receive contribution credit for the year 2021. Contributions can be made through mail at P.O. Box 1309, Baton Rouge, LA 70821 or online at fbcbr.com/give

Worship Song Lyrics

78 // **Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming**

Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming
From tender stem hath sprung!
Of Jesse's lineage coming
As men of old have sung.
It came, a flower bright,
Amid the cold of winter,
When half-gone was the night.

Isaiah 'twas foretold it,
The Rose I have in mind:
With Mary we behold it,
The virgin mother kind.
To show God's love aright
She bore to men a Savior,
When half-gone was the night.

Joy Has Dawned

Joy has dawned upon the world,
Promised from creation—
God's salvation now unfurled,
Hope for every nation.
Not with fanfares from above,
Not with scenes of glory,
But a humble gift of love—
Jesus born of Mary.

Sounds of wonder full the sky
With the songs of angels
As the mighty Prince of Life
Shelters in a stable.
Hands that set each star in place,
Shaped the earth in darkness,
Cling now to a mother's arms,
Vuln'erable and helpless.

Shepherds bow before the Lamb,
Gazing at the glory;
Gifts of men from distant lands
Prophecy the story.
Gold—a King is born today,
Incense—God is with us,
Myrrh—His death will make a way,
And by His blood He'll win us.

Son of Adam, Son of heav'n,
Given as a ransom;
Reconciling God and man,
Christ, our mighty champion!
What a Savior! What a Friend!
What a glorious myst'ry!
Once a babe in Bethlehem,
Now the Lord of hist'ry.

The Love of God

The love of God is greater far
Than tongue or pen can ever tell;
It goes beyond the highest star,
And reaches to the lowest hell;

The guilty pair, bowed down with care,
God gave His Son to win;
His erring child He reconciled,
And pardoned from his sin.

Refrain:

O love of God, how rich and pure!
How measureless and strong!
It shall forevermore endure—
The saints' and angels' song!

When years of time shall pass away
And earthly thrones and kingdoms fall,
When men who here refuse to pray,
On rocks and hills and mountains call,

God's love so sure shall still endure,
All measureless and strong;
Redeeming grace to Adam's race—
The saints' and angels' song.

Refrain

82 // Emmanuel

Could we with ink the ocean fill,
And were the skies of parchment made,
Were every stalk on earth a quill
And every man a scribe by trade,

To write the love of God above
Would drain the ocean dry;
Nor could the scroll contain the whole,
Tho' stretched from sky to sky.

Refrain

Emmanuel, Emmanuel,
His name is called Emmanuel;
God with us, revealed in us;
His name is called Emmanuel.

86 // **O Little Town of Bethlehem**

O little town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep,
The silent stars go by;
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary,
And gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wond'ring love.
O morning stars, together
Proclaim the holy birth,
And praises sing to God the King,
And peace to men on earth!

How silently, how silently
The wondrous gift is giv'n!
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of His heav'n.
No ear may hear His coming,
But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive Him, still
The dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem!
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in,
Be born in us today!
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Immanuel!

87 // **Joy to the World! The Lord is Come**

Joy to the world! The Lord is come;
Let earth receive her King;
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! The Savior reigns;
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders of His love.