# HOPE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH

# December 18, 2022



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Our Vision: to be a Christ-centered community, worshiping in the Spirit, growing in discipleship, and sharing God's love.

## The Church at Worship

**Gathering Music** 

Welcome and Announcements

Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude Angels We Have Heard on High Barbara Rowley and Kathryn Bunch GLORIA **Call to Worship** Psalm 80:1-5, 7, 17-19 Jacquie Allen Leader: Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock! People: You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth. Leader: Stir up your might, and come to save us! People: Restore us, O God; let your face shine, that we might be saved. Leader: O Lord God of hosts, People: How long will you be angry with your people's prayers? Leader: You have fed them with the bread of tears, People: And given them tears to drink in full measure. Leader: Restore us, O God of hosts; People: Let your face shine, that we may be saved. Leader: But let your hand be upon the one at your right hand, People: The one whom you made strong for yourself. Leader: Then we will never turn back from you; People: Give us life, and we will call on your name. Leader: Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; People: Let your face shine, that we may be saved. Invocation Jacquie Allen Hymn of Praise No. 124 The First Nowell THE FIRST NOWELL Lighting the Candle of Love The Herring Family Leader: We know the love of God is great, People: Greater than anything we could imagine. Leader: It spans continents, **People:** It perseveres through eternity. Leader: But two thousand years ago, **People:** Everything changed. Leader: God took on flesh. People: God came to walk among the people. Leader: And so we know God loves us. People: Because God came and lived among us. *Light the Candle of Love.* Leader: May we feel the love of Christ this Advent. People: May we make his love known to others.

**Congregational Response** Light the Light, the Fire of Life

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Light the light, the fire of life, let the candle reveal His glory. Jesus Christ has come to earth and for us shall come again. Light the candle of His love, light the light of Bethlehem's stable, light the candle of His love, light the light by which we see.

**Scripture Reading** 

**Children's Message** 

Mary Summerlin

**Cameron Packer** 

Hymn of Faith

I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day Handbells: Frances Smith

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I heard the bells on Christmas day their old familiar carols play, and wild and sweet the words repeat of peace on earth, good will to men.

I thought how, as the day had come, the belfries of all Christendom had rolled along th'unbroken song of peace on earth, good will to men.

And in despair I bowed my head: "There is no peace on earth," I said, "For hate is strong, and mocks the song of peace on earth, good will to men."

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep: "God is not dead, nor doth He sleep; The wrong shall fail, the right prevail, with peace on earth, good will to men."

Till, ringing, singing on its way, the world revolved from night to day a voice, a chime, a chant sublime, of peace on earth, good will to men.

**Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer** 

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Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.

| Anthem                     | When Will the Little King Come   | Ruth Elaine Schram  |
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|                            | little King come? When will we see G<br>oy, greet the precious baby boy, when      |                     |
|                            | a breath of spring while the flowers ar<br>on a summer day while the children ar   | 0                   |
|                            | ee air grows cold while the leaves turn<br>a winter night while the stars are shir | Ũ                   |
|                            | little King come? When will we see G<br>oy, greet the precious baby boy, when      |                     |
| When will the li           | ittle King come? When will the little K  | ing come?           |
| Sermon                     | Bless Ahaz's Heart   | Rev. Benjamin Wines |
| Hymn of Commitment No. 138 | 8 How Far Is It to Bethlehem   | STOWEY              |
| Benediction                |  | Rev. Benjamin Wines |
| Postlude                   | <i>One Small Child</i><br>ONE SMALL CHILD  | Kathryn Bunch       |

Isaiah 7:10-17

#### Join us as we celebrate Advent and Christmas 2022

December 18, 5:00 pm: God Bless Us, Everyone

*Christmas music and Scripture presented by the singers and instrumentalists of HVBC. Reception to follow.* 

December 24, 5:00 pm: Christmas Eve Candlelight and Communion Service.

December 25, 11:00 am: Christmas Day Worship (No Sunday School)

January 1, 2023, 11:00 am: New Year's Day

First Sunday after Christmas

You are cordially invited to

#### Hope Valley Baptist Church

To celebrate the birth of Jesus as we present

#### "God Bless Us, Everyone"

A Service of Christmas Messages and Music

Sunday, December 18, 2022

#### 5:00 pm

Please join us for a festive (& delicious) Christmas Reception immediately following the service! Everyone is invited to bring a finger food to share.

#### Food Pantry

You may place your donations in the brown bins in the vestibule and in the children's hallway or bring them by the church office. Thanks for your support!

#### Items Needed:

Peanut Butter Rice Canned Meats Mayonnaise Jelly Oatmeal Canned Fruits Instant Potatoes Juices Grits Soup Cereal Mac/Cheese Mustard

#### **Missions Offering**

Our goal for Global Missions Offering this Christmas season is \$3,000. You may support missions and missionaries around the world by giving to the CBF Global Missions Offering or the SBC Lottie Moon Offering. Please designate on your check or offering envelope your preference.

### Sermon Notes

December 18, 2022

Fourth Sunday of Advent

"Bless Ahaz's Heart"

Isaiah 7:10-17

Emphasis on verses 12-13

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Questions for Further Reflection: In this passage, God gives King Ahaz an unexpected sign. How has God met you in unexpected ways? How did you respond? How can this story of Ahaz help you respond faithfully?