

CUTTING THROUGH THE NOISE

November 16, 2025 | 11:00 AM

NOBODY'S FOOL

A Time of Greeting

Ms. Kate Pearson

Hymn 208

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

BEECHER

Morning Prayer

Rev. Susie Reeder

Choral Feature

Psalm 23

Sanctuary Choir

Courtney

Hymn 211

I Love Thee

I LOVE THEE

Offertory Prayer

Mr. Walter Greene

Worship Feature

To God Be the Glory

Sanctuary Handbells

Doane/Krug

Scripture Reading

1 John 4:1-6

Rev. Sandy Saunders

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Message

Pastor Blake Bengé

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Response Hymn 290

I Am Thine, O Lord

I AM THINE

Next Steps

Ms. Pearson

Recognition of Decisions

Pastor Bengé

Benediction

Ms. Pearson

Postlude

Now Thank We All Our God

Mrs. Donna Davenport, organist

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NEXT STEPS

COMMUNITY

Sundays 9:45am: Find a Sunday School Group that's right for you! Everyone is invited, and no sign-up is required. For a list of Sunday School groups, visit the Welcome Desk or go to snydermbc.com/sundayschool.

DISCOVERY CLASS

November 16, 10am, Small Dining Room: New to Snyder and seeking more information and connection? Join us monthly for a light breakfast and learn about Snyder's mission, vision, and values in an informal and interactive setting.

EVENTS

Got your tickets? Singing Christmas Tree Tickets are now available. You can pick up your pre-ordered or sign out your first tickets today: 9:45-10:45 and 12:00-12:20 in the Gathering Hall. Not sure yet? Come by or call the church office this week (910) 484-3191.

Deck and Undeck the Halls! The tree is up and ready to support our singers for the Singing Christmas Tree! But - it's not too late to help in this process - what goes up must come down! If you would like to help with the "after" of the Singing Christmas Tree structure, go to snydermbc.com/snyderserve. All helping hands welcome!

Serve During "Tree Week"! Our volunteers are the welcome face and warm greeting of the Singing Christmas Tree! We utilize all types of volunteers who will greet and look after the needs of the many who come to sing and hear the Singing Christmas Tree. To volunteer, go to: snydermbc.com/snyderserve.

Cutting Through the Noise | Nobody's Fool
1 John 4:1-21

The noise of deception can be difficult to identify as untrue, requiring keen attention and insight. Neglecting to unmask fabrications will leave us foolishly vulnerable. John is committed to seeing that we become "Nobody's Fool" (1 John 2:26a, 3:7a, 4:1, 5:21). Today, we uncover ways to "foolproof" the faith we seek to develop.

Four Directives for Foolproof Developing Faith

One: Be Aware or _____
1 John 4:1-6

Do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits

Testing for False Prophets:

- 1) Have I been warned against such people? (Acts 20:31)
- 2) Is biblical truth (especially the _____) being bent or abandoned? (Acts 20:29-30, 1 John 4:2-3)
- 3) Is this a wolf in sheep's _____? (Matthew 7:15, 1 John 2:19, Acts 20:29-30)
- 4) Is this about the "prophet" and the _____? (Acts 20:30)
- 5) Am I moving closer to Jesus for having given _____ to this person? (Hebrews 12:1-2)
"If you leave church thinking, 'What a great sermon!' You have missed it. But if you leave saying, 'What a great Savior,' then you have truly worshipped."
C. H. Spurgeon
- 6) Do I leave their presence enthused merely by their message, or empowered by the ____ of Christ? (1 John 4:4)
- 7) Does their message motivate worldly pursuits instead of _____ ones? (1 John 4:5, Colossians 3:2)

Two: Be _____ Truthful
I John 4:6-12

Three: Be _____
I John 4:13-17

Four: Be _____
I John 4:18-21

These directives protect us from playing the fool for any false prophets coming our way. Following them will keep us from being dangerously vulnerable to live for society's judgment instead of eternal judgment, and in constant fear. God wants love, joy, peace, and so much more for you. So, Beware, Be truthfully loving, Be ready, and Be fearless.

WAYS TO GIVE

Online

Visit snydermbc.com/giving or scan the QR Code.



Cash or Check

1. Place cash or check in the offering plate as it passes.
2. Mail a check or drop it off at the Church Office.
3. Set up an automated Bank Draft.
Visit snydermbc.com/give to learn more.

SERVICE TIMES

8:40am, Modern Service, Fellowship Hall

9:45am, Sunday School for all ages

11am, Traditional Service, Sanctuary

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