

Fern Creek Baptist Church
December 14, 2025, 10:45 a.m.

To preserve an atmosphere of worship, we respectfully request that cell phones, pagers, and alarm watches be turned off and not used during the service. Also, please refrain from leaving the worship service unless it is an emergency.

THRID SUNDAY OF ADVENT

WE GATHER BEFORE GOD

Welcome Linda Barnes Popham

+ Exchange of Peace

Prelude Karen Love
"Angels we Have Heard on High"
arr. John Michael Ogletree

+ Call to Worship ADULT CHOIR
"Come, O Come"
Cindy Berry
Topanga Packer, soloist

+ Hymn 87 ANTIOCH
"Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come"

Lighting of the Candle of Joy Steve and Shirley Skaggs
All: O God of Joy, send Your light into our lives. Fix our hearts and our minds upon You so that we may have the joy You have promised. Help us to share Your light to a dark world so that others may see the joy of following You. Help us to be ready and joyful for the time of Christ's appearing. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Response IL EST NÉ
"Light the Light, the Fire of Life"

Pastoral Prayer Linda Barnes Popham

WE LISTEN TO GOD

+ Hymn JOY HAS DAWNED
"Joy Has Dawned"

Scripture Reading Danny Hass
Isaiah 9:1-7

Prayer of Confession Linda Barnes Popham

+ Hymn 96 IN DULCI JUBILO
"Good Christian Men, Rejoice"

Children (Kindergarten and Pre-K) will be dismissed for Children's Church during the first stanza of the hymn. Please meet Alexis St.Clair at the back of the sanctuary. If this is your child's first time participating with this group, please have a parent/guardian leave with the child to complete an information card.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Solo Steve Skaggs
"Jesus, O What a Wonderful Child"
arr. Mark Hayes

Sermon Linda Barnes Popham
"Good News of Great Joy"
Luke 2:8-15

WE RESPOND TO GOD

+ Hymn of Response 85 THE FIRST NOWELL
"The First Nowell"

+ Offertory Prayer Jodie Towles

Offertory Karen Love
"What Child Is This"
arr. M. Sherrill Kelsey

+ Advent Doxology 253 VENI EMMANUEL
"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

+ Choral Benediction FOR ALL THESE THINGS
"For All These Things"
Greg Nelson and Bob Farrell

+ Benediction Linda Barnes Popham

+ Indicates where it is appropriate, if able, to stand.

“Joy to the World”
arr. Jim Brickman

THIS WEEK’S MEMORY VERSE

But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.” Luke 2:10

CHURCH STAFF

- Rev. Linda Barnes Popham, Pastor 239-0316 ext. 103
- Rev. Steve Skaggs, Supply Minister of Music 239-0316 ext. 111
- Will Ennis, Minister of Youth and Recreation 239-0316 ext. 114
- Alexis St.Clair, Interim Preschool Minister 239-0316 ext. 109
- Lucas Seraphine, Ministry Intern 239-0316 ext. 125
- Terri Bosemer, CDC Director 239-8952 ext. 108
- Tiffany Keranen, Office Coordinator 239-0316 ext. 100
- Jodie Towles, Bookkeeper 239-0316 ext. 102
- Ashley Thonen, Director of Facilities 239-0316 ext. 104
- Karen Love, Supply Pianist 239-0316
- Joanna Wright, Interim Organist 239-0316

FERN CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH



MISSION STATEMENT

REACHING UP...

to God with an open heart and faithful obedience in response to His call

REACHING IN...

to our church fellowship to grow and serve together in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

REACHING OUT...

to the whole world by sharing the gospel through the power of the Holy Spirit

DECEMBER 7, 2025

OUR STEWARDSHIP



Weekly Budget Needs	\$	10,990.00
Budget Received	\$	18,114.00
YTD Budget Needs	\$	153,860.00
YTD Budget Received	\$	140,910.60

ATTENDANCE

- Sunday School - 88
- Morning Worship - 126

PROPERTY @ 5912

Amount Received	\$	100.00
YTD Received	\$	75,640.28
Monthly Loan Payment	\$	1,095.69
Loan Balance	\$	98,618.56
Current Fund Balance	\$	13,020.93

BUILDING FUND

- Weekly - \$65.00
- YTD - \$14,878.24

Sunrise Children’s Services – \$3,746.00

Mission Trips – \$67.00

SON - \$30

Children of the Soil – \$57.00

Kendall Optical Ministry – \$50.00

Legacy Mission International – \$100.00

Texas Baptists Worldwide Offering – \$339.00

Individual Missionaries – \$258.00



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