

# Fern Creek Baptist Church

## January 4, 2026, 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.

### EPIPHANY SUNDAY

#### WE GATHER BEFORE GOD

Welcome	Linda Barnes Popham
+ Exchange of Peace	
Prelude	Gene and Joanna Wright
	<i>“Shout for Joy, Loud and Long”</i> arr. Ralph Manuel
Call to Worship	Vocal Ensemble
	<i>“Beautiful Star of Bethlehem”</i> R. Fisher Boyce
Invocation	Steve Skaggs
+ Song of Praise	Congregation
	<i>“Holy Forever (Christmas)”</i> Chris Tomlin, Chris Davenport, Jason Ingram, Phil Wickham, Brian Johnson, and Jenn Johnson
Pastoral Prayer	Linda Barnes Popham

#### WE LISTEN TO GOD

Scripture Reading	David Magruder
	<i>Isaiah 60:1-6</i>
+ Hymn of Praise 113	KINGS OF ORIENT
	<i>“We Three Kings of Orient Are”</i>

#### WE COME TO THE TABLE

Prayer of Confession	Linda Barnes Popham
Reading of Our Church Covenant	Congregation

Lord’s Supper		Steve Skaggs
Communion Meditation		
	<i>“Born to Die”</i>	
	arr. S. Skaggs	

+ Hymn 115		JANICE
	<i>“Worship the Lord”</i>	

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

Anthem		Adult and Youth Choirs
	<i>“Carry the Light”</i>	
	arr. Keith Christopher	
Sermon		Linda Barnes Popham
	<i>“What Route Will You Take?”</i>	
	<i>Matthew 2:1-12</i>	

#### WE RESPOND TO GOD

+ Hymn of Response 117		DIX
	<i>“As with Gladness Men of Old”</i>	
+ Offertory Prayer		Troy Young
Offertory		Gene Wright
	<i>“Tell Me the Story of Jesus”</i>	
	John R. Sweney / arr. Gene Wright	
+ Christmas Doxology 253		VENI EMMANUEL
	<i>“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”</i>	
+ Benediction		Linda Barnes Popham
+ Postlude		Joanna Wright
	<i>“Sing We Now of Christmas”</i>	
	Traditional French Carol / arr. James Pethel	

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

#### THIS WEEK’S MEMORY VERSE

*And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route. Matthew 2:12*

## CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Linda Barnes Popham, Pastor 239-0316 ext. 103  
Rev. Steve Skaggs, Interim 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  
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Terri Bosemer, CDC Director 239-8952 ext. 108  
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Jodie Towles, Bookkeeper 239-0316 ext. 102  
Ashley Thonen, Director of Facilities 239-0316 ext. 104  
Rev. Gene Wright, Supply Pianist 239-0316  
Joanna Wright, Interim Organist 239-0316

# FERN CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH



**DECEMBER 28, 2025**

### OUR STEWARDSHIP



Weekly Budget Needs	\$	10,990.00
Budget Received	\$	33,165.93
YTD Budget Needs	\$	186,830.00
YTD Budget Received	\$	194,071.82

### ATTENDANCE

Sunday School - 57  
Morning Worship - 82

### BUILDING FUND

Weekly - \$125.00  
YTD - \$15,164.01

Sunrise Children's Services - \$4,000.00

Mission Trips - \$67.00

SON - \$150

Children of the Soil - \$150.00

Kendall Optical Ministry - \$165.00

Legacy Mission International - \$100.00

Texas Baptists Worldwide Offering - \$719.00

Individual Missionaries - \$258.00

### PROPERTY @ 5912

Amount Received	\$	400.00
YTD Received	\$	76,365.28
Monthly Loan Payment	\$	1,095.69
Loan Balance	\$	98,129.62
Current Fund Balance	\$	12,650.24

CHRISTMAS  
MISSION  
OFFERING

The cry room located at the back of the sanctuary is available for parents with young children who choose to use it. A nursery is provided in the preschool area for children ages birth through three years old. Children's Church is provided for age four through kindergarten. Children / youth should be accompanied by a parent or an adult if it is necessary that they leave the sanctuary during the service.

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## 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

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