



Plymouth First Baptist Church

November 27, 2022

9:45 AM Sunday School
10:50 AM Church Family Announcements

11 AM Morning Worship

Organ Prelude

BJ Lyle

Welcome

Pastor Paul

Lighting of the Advent Wreath: HOPE

Bob and Ann Cody

Today we light the first candle in the Advent Wreath. This is the candle of HOPE. With Christians around the world, we use the light of this candle to remind us to prepare for the coming of God's Son, our Lord, and Savior Jesus the Christ. May we remember that we are to be a people of hope in a world full of hopeless people.

Hear the Word of the LORD:

Isaiah 9:2 The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned.

Let us Pray:

Heavenly Father, as we meditate on the birth of Jesus, grant that the light of your Word helps us to shine brighter in this hopeless and spiritually dark world. Fill our hearts with hope as we look with great anticipation for the return of our Lord and Savior. We ask this in the precious name your son Jesus, Amen.

Hymn#244

Come, Thou Long- Expected Jesus

Congregation

Scripture Reading and Prayer

Matthew 12:14b-21

Loyd Jones

Ministry of Music

Bring Us Hope

F.B.C. Choir

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Paul

Offertory Hymn#512

**Jesus Is All the World to Me
Vs. 1,3,4**

Congregation

Offertory Scripture & Prayer

Russell Lee

Because of the LORD's great love, we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. I say to myself, "The LORD is my portion; therefore, I will wait for him." Lamentations 3:22-23

**Offering
Doxology**

**Ushers
Congregation**

Sermon: A People of Hope

Pastor Paul

Our God is a God of hope. Therefore, we are a people of Hope. Romans 15:13

What is hope? Hope is favorable, confident expectation having to do with the unseen and the future. The word is closely linked to faith, trust, confidence, and praise. _____

Psalm 62:5 _____. Like our salvation, hope that endures can only come from outside anything of or in this world. Hope that lasts can only come from the one who is transcendent, God.

1 Timothy 6:17

The birth of Jesus is a gift wrapped in joy, peace, righteousness, and love. Like any gift we receive, hope is that which prompts us to unwrap it.

How can we maintain a life of hope so that we may bring hope to others?

We must grow deeper in our knowledge and understanding of God and His ways. We must meditate upon Him so that our hope in Him grows. Like a fire which warms a home requires kindling and fuel, so the warmth of hope in our heart requires kindling and fuel.



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Hope is found here.
Psalm 39:7

Spiritual Fuel for Hope.

1. God richly provides for His people. 1 Tim. 6:17,18; Matt. 6:19-21; Psalm 9:18

2. God gave his son so that we might be His children. John 1:12-14

3. God gave his Holy Spirit to intercede for and strengthen us. Rom. 8:22-27

4. God brought hope to the world through Jesus, who lives in us. Lk. 4:16-21
Col. 1:25-29

5. God's love is great, and His mercies are new every morning. Lam. 3:19-26

We are to share the hope that God has brought to us. 1 Peter 3:15
Hope in Christ is the anchor for our souls. Hebrews 6:17-19

Hymn of Invitation#245

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel
Congregation

The Facebook feed ends before the hymn of invitation. If you are in need of counsel, please come forward during the closing hymn or see one of the pastors after the service- We would be honored to speak to you! - God Bless.

Rev. Paul T. Harrington, Senior Pastor
Loyd Jones, Associate Pastor
Scott Bradshaw, Music Director
B.J. Lyle, Organist
Danita Davis, Church Office Administrator
Russell Lee, Deacon of the Month