



# Plymouth First Baptist Church

**Sunday December 21, 2025**

**4th Sunday in Advent: Love**

9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship

Welcome

Pastor Loyd

Lighting of the Advent Candles

Chris and Sharon Smith

Today we light the first three candles of the Advent Wreath- the candles of HOPE, PEACE and JOY. We also light the fourth candle representing LOVE. Advent is a special time for us to reflect upon God the Father's love for His son, and His love for us.

Hear the Word of the LORD

Hear, O Israel: The LORD your God, the LORD is one. Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. Deuteronomy 6:4-5

Let us pray

Heavenly Father, we thank you that even though we were still in our sinful state, you showed immeasurable love for us by sending your son Jesus to die for our sins. During this Advent season, help us to be overwhelmed with the love that you have for us as your people. May it inspire us to live lives pleasing to you- best evidenced in loving you and our neighbor. We look forward with great anticipation your kingdom on earth which will be firmly and eternally established in love.

Hymn #249, 250

O Come, All Ye Faithful  
O Little Town of Bethlehem

Congregation

Scripture Reading

John 13:31-35

Pastor Loyd

Offertory Hymn#157

The Love of God  
Verses 1,3

Congregation

Offertory Scripture and Prayer

Johnny Barnes

*"If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in them and they in God. And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them. " 1 John 4:15-16*

Offering

Doxology

Congregational Fellowship

Congregation

## CHRISTMAS MUSIC FEST

*The Poinsettias in the sanctuary this morning, were given with much love from:*

*Brenda Bullock in memory of Freddy Bullock*

*Dianne Peyton Swain and Tim Peyton in memory of Our Parents and Brother-Gene and Barbara Peyton, and Steve Peyton*

*Becky and Bobby Brown in memory of Roland and Esther Coburn, Elwood and Mary Lou Brown, and Ronnie Coburn*

*Sharon and Chris Smith in memory of Clara and Red Nobles, and Ruth and Huck Smith*

*Fabian, Janet, Kayla, Zach, Riley and Daniel in memory of Louie Askew*

*Fabian, Janet, Kayla, Zach, Riley and Daniel in honor of Harry and Mittie Ward*

*Tammy Wiard in memory of Emmett and Betty King*

*Wade Rogers in memory of Julia Rogers and Lucas Franck*

*Mittie and Harry Ward in memory of Thomas and Christine Ward*

*Mittie and Harry Ward in memory of Louie Askew*

Welcome to  
First Baptist Church  
December 21, 2025

Let us know you were with us today and place  
in offering plate. Thank you!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Information: (new or changed)  
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First-time visitor? \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer request you would like to share?  
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Put request on our printed list? Yes / No.

I would like information on becoming a  
member of PFBC.

I am interested in being baptized.

I would like to be included in the church  
texting information service.

Cell phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any other church related  
needs? Phone #:  
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*Mittie and Harry Ward in honor of our Children,  
Grandchildren, and Great-Grandson*

*Brenda Bullock in memory of Donna Gray*

*Judi, Larry and Kristie in memory of Jeff Nicholson*

*Susan Rea in memory of Edwin and Jonathan Rea*

*Nevis and Jamie Leary in memory of Luke Leary and  
Geraldine Bateman*



Advent Readings for your  
personal meditation  
throughout the week.

1 John 4:8-12

Luke 1

Luke 2:8-20

Mark 1:1-7 John 3:1-18



Nursery  
Ministry Rotation

Today: No  
Nursery

Dec. 28: Dianne Swain and Susan Sawyer



Loyd Jones, Associate Pastor  
Scott Bradshaw, Worship Director  
B.J. Lyle, Organist  
Danita Davis, Church Office Administrator  
Johnny Barnes, Deacon of the Month

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