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## FIRST FOCUS

“The almost impossible thing...is to hand yourself over to Christ.  
But it is far easier than what we are trying to do instead.”  
–C.S. Lewis (Thanks, Brittany Garner!)

“Before I was afflicted, I went astray, but now I obey Your word.”  
(Psalm 119:67)

### TODAY IN WORSHIP.

9:25 Early Service (Traditional), Bryan Richardson, preaching  
9:30 LOGOS (Contemporary), Don Guthrie, preaching  
11:00 Late Service (Traditional), Don Guthrie, preaching  
11:00 Spanish Worship in Chapel, René de Alejandro, preaching  
11:00 Internationals (4 services)  
5:30 Christmas at First Performance I (Sanctuary)  
7:15 Christmas at First Performance II (Sanctuary)

### CHRISTMAS AT FIRST.

General information: Handicap and Special Needs entry under the porte cochere.  
Please turn in unused tickets at the door - we will have guests who want them.

*Information specific to each performance:*

#### 5:30 PM - AT&T Lot Parking

4:15 Lot A, Lot B, and Avenue B opened for handicap and special needs parking  
5:00 Childcare begins – **Use the McCullough door** (enter through breezeway) for drop-off and pick-up.  
4:30 Pre-concert reception  
4:45 Doors to the Sanctuary are open (no late seating)

#### 7:15 PM - River Lot Parking

4:15 Lot A, Lot B, and Avenue B opened for handicap and special needs parking  
5:30 Pre-concert Reception  
6:50 Doors to the Sanctuary open (no late seating)  
6:55 Childcare begins – **Use Webb Foyer door** for drop-off and pick-up.

**CHRISTMAS CARE** has almost reached our goal for the year. If you would like to send a monetary donation to help us buy the remainder of items needed please go to [fbcsa.org/ChristmasCare](http://fbcsa.org/ChristmasCare). Volunteers for packing and delivery are still needed on Dec. 13 & 14. Contact Rita at 210.226.0363.

**40 DAYS OF PRAYER.** November 22-January 1, members and friends of FBC are invited to unite in prayer for Christians and causes, near and far. On the FBCSA Blog, [theeverydayprayer.com](http://theeverydayprayer.com).

**CHRISTMAS EVE AT FBC.** Beautiful. Reverent. Families together at Christmas. Memorial Service, 4:45 PM, CANDLELIGHT LORD'S SUPPER, 5:30 PM. You and your family are invited! (No childcare for Christmas Eve service.)

**TOTALLY HIS ... HANDS, HEART, VOICE.** For more than 160 years, Southern Baptists have given themselves wholly to God to go out into the world with the Gospel. But even today, billions of people remain lost. Would you consider partnering with First Baptist in sending members to touch lost people groups with God's love? Would you support our Southern Baptist missionaries through mission's giving? Offering envelopes are available at the Ask Me booths and the missions display in Unity Hall.

**“LUKE – JESUS' PERSONAL TOUCH”.** (New Winter Sermon Series) In preparation for Sunday, December 15, please read the {Re:Verse} Scripture: Luke 10:25-37.

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SAN ANTONIO

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## WELCOME

We gather this morning from all parts of this great city, connected by a common love for Jesus Christ and a contagious joy that we have discovered in Him.

Ours is historic faith. For 150 years, this congregation has added our songs and service to those who for 2000 years have called Jesus Christ, Lord.

We are experiencing new life. In recent days, God has revived our congregation and given us fresh vision and new enthusiasm. We welcome you to join us as God leads you to become part of this growing family.

The card below is intended for use by our guests. We want to know you.

Thanks for coming today.

Don Guthrie, Pastor

## GUEST REGISTRATION

11:00

Welcome to First Baptist Church. We are glad you chose to worship with us today. To help us minister to you, please fill out this form and place it in the offering plate.

Today's date \_\_\_\_\_

Name (Mr/Mrs/Ms) \_\_\_\_\_

Single  Married    Birthday/Year \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Military Affiliation Y or N    Branch of Service \_\_\_\_\_ Installation \_\_\_\_\_

Family Member Deployed? Y or N

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apt No. \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Please check grades or ages of children living at home.

Preschool:  under 2     2 yrs.     3 yrs.     4 yrs.     5 yrs.

Children:  1st grade     2nd grade     3rd grade

4th grade     5th grade     6th grade

Students:  7th grade     8th grade     9th grade     10th grade

11th grade     12th grade     College (19-24 yrs.)

I am visiting from out-of-town

I am seeking a church home

I would like to become a member of First Baptist Church. Please contact me.

I would welcome further contact via  e-mail     phone     personal visit



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
SAN ANTONIO

## OUR MISSION

IS TO FOLLOW OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,  
AND TO LEAD ALL OTHERS TO A  
JOYFUL LIFE IN HIM

## TODAY'S SERMON

“AUTHORITY”

T. DON GUTHRIE, PREACHING  
December 8, 2013 | 11:00 AM

NEW LIFE. HISTORIC FAITH.



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# SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

WWW.FBCSA.ORG

DECEMBER 8, 2013 | 11:00 AM

## Second Sunday of Advent

Preparation for Worship  
"Meditation on Veni Emmanuel" arr. Martin

Portrait of Faith Believer's Baptism Don Guthrie

Call to Worship "Christmas Hymn" arr. Clydesdale  
*The Sanctuary Choir; Jennifer Zaccagni, piano*

Praise to God whose love was shown, Who sent His Son to earth.  
Jesus left His rightful throne, became a man by birth.

The virgin's baby Son, all creation praised Him,  
God incarnate, come, come adore Him.

Still a higher call had He, deliverance from our sins.  
Come to set all people free from Satan's hold within.

For by the sin of man we fell, by the Son of God  
He crushed the power of hell, death we fear no more.

Now we stand with strength, with power, the sons of God on earth.  
Faithful to the final hour, Christ's righteousness, our worth.

And now all praise be given for the Babe, the Son,  
The Savior King is risen. Christ is Lord indeed.

Praise to God whose love was shown.

Carol 76 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" VENI EMMANUEL

Welcome Aaron Hufty

Prayer

Advent Scripture Isaiah 7:14; 40:3-5 Kate Faught

<sup>7:14</sup>Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.

<sup>40:3</sup>A voice of one calling: "In the wilderness prepare the way for the LORD; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. <sup>4</sup>Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low; the rough ground shall become level, the rugged places a plain. <sup>5</sup>And the glory of the LORD will be revealed, and all people will see it together. For the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

Carol 83 "Arise, Your Light Is Come" FESTAL SONG

The Dedication of a Home Pastor  
Zhertiam and Chris Gonzales, Aiyani

The Children's Message - Prepare Don Guthrie

Message in Song "Jacob's Star" arr. Fettke  
*The Sanctuary Choir*

A fire, a light, a shining star,  
A sign to those who'd journey far,  
A token from the King of Heaven,  
A spark as to the Light of the World.

A beacon burning in the night,  
A star to echo endless light,  
A darkened world, a light from a stable,  
And high above the heavens ablaze.

A star will rise from Jacob's house,  
A scepter out of Israel.  
And though you are the least in Judah,  
O'er thee, O Bethlehem, His light will shine.

A Light of hope to everyone;  
A Light out-shining every sun.  
A Light the world has not comprehended;  
A Light that is this Holy Babe.

Morning Message "Authority" Don Guthrie  
Luke 7:11-17

Hymn of Decision 275 "I Surrender All" SURRENDER

Offertory "Veni Emmanuel" arr. Near  
*Seth Nelson*

Life Together Don Guthrie

Welcome, New Members! Bryan Richardson

Going Out Together "Gloria in excelsis Deo!" GLORIA  
Carol 100

Postlude "Toccata on Gloria" arr. Duckett

Seth Nelson  
Organist

*Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of  
Ward Miller  
by his loving family: Nance, Lindsey, Keaton, Clay, Anna and Madison.*

*Morning Worship telecast live on KSAT-TV  
"Touching lives through television for over forty years."  
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**Christmas Eve**  
**4:45 PM - Memorial Service**  
**5:30 PM - Candlelight Lord's Supper**  
**12:00 PM - Re-broadcast of "Christmas at First" KSAT 12**