Thanksgiving Day

Preparation for Worship

O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;
for His steadfast love endures forever.
1 Chronicles 16:34, NRSV

The Prelude to Worship

The Gift of Love............................................................. Joel Raney
Erin Munnelly, flute

Welcome to Worship

David Hailey

The Call to Worship

Psalm 100, NRSV
Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness;
come into His presence with singing.
Know that the Lord is God.
It is He that made us, and we are His;
we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.
Enter His gates with thanksgiving,
and His courts with praise.
Give thanks to Him, bless His name.
For the Lord is good;
His steadfast love endures forever,
and His faithfulness to all generations.

The Invocation and Lord’s Prayer

The Hymn of Praise, 636
We Gather Together..................................................... Kremser

The Scripture Reading and Prayer

Philippians 1:3-11, NRSV
Kristen Muse

The Music for Meditation

Let All Things Now Living............................................. arr. Michael Card
David and Susan Hailey

The Sermon

Giving Thanks... An Act of Remembering
Philippians 1:5
Kristen Muse

The Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Jesus, Jesus, Fill Us With Your Love.................................. Joel Raney
Erin Munnelly

Count Your Blessings

At this time we invite you to share words of thanksgiving with your neighbor.
Count your blessings, name them one by one;
Count your blessings, see what God hath done;
Count your blessings, name them one by one;
Count your many blessings, see what God hath done.

The Congregational Benediction

The Doxology ............................................................... Old One Hundred

The Postlude

New Thank We All Our God.......................................... Wilbur Held
Patty Pace, organ

Those who are able may stand with minister.

This year our traditional “greening of the sanctuary” will have new energy with primary leadership coming from our children’s choirs and Youth Choir 24. Don’t miss this significant shift as our children and youth assume expanded roles and lead us in this inspiring event.

“To See Jesus”

December 20, 11:00 a.m.
A worship service led by our Chancel Choir and Orchestra.
Through music and spoken word we will review the stories of individuals who “came to see” the new born baby. As we listen, we will hear the unceasing call of Christ: “Come to me all ye who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.” The service will include congregational singing, choral selections, instrumental features, and vocal solos.

Living Nativity

December 22, 23, 24, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Join us for our traditional gift to the community as we share the story of Christmas through our Living Nativity. Sign up to serve as part of this special tradition (more information to come). Invite your friends, family, and neighbors. Share the story and bring those you know to see Jesus.

Christmas Eve Services and Private Communion

December 24
An inspiring time of worship as we Celebrate the Coming of Christ in
our world. Our Family Christmas Eve worship begins at 4:00 pm, and our
Communion Christmas Eve Service begins at 6:00 pm. Come join us in
worship.
Private communion will be offered in the Sanctuary from 7-9 PM.
ABOUT TODAY’S WORSHIP
We are grateful to the Decorations Committee for preparing the Cornucopia on the Communion Table. This beautiful display symbolizes the abundance of God’s gracious provision for all of our needs.

ADVENT DEVOTIONALS AVAILABLE NOW
This year’s Advent devotional guide goes by the same title: To See Jesus. These inspiring selections were first published in a resource created for congregations by World Vision. A limited number of printed devotionals are available around the church, but you can get your copy by email (if you receive weekly HBBC emails, you should get the daily devotions automatically) and you can download a copy of the book for your e-reader at www.hbbc.org/adventdevotions.

COME TO JESUS: A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE—DECEMBER 3, 2015, 11:00 AM
For those who have experienced loss, the holidays can seem daunting, especially stressful, and lonely. As the season begins, we invite you to join us for a service where we will honor the losses in our life and seek ways to move toward healing. Please join us on Thursday, December 3, in the Chapel. A light lunch will follow. RSVP for the lunch ($5 per person) or call Holmes at holmesgm@att.net.

HANGING OF THE GREENS
Join us as we prepare the sanctuary for the Advent Season on Sunday, December 6 at 6 p.m. We invite you to join us as our preschoolers, children and youth lead us in this beautiful worship service. Following the service we will gather in the Fellowship Hall for a Cookie Fellowship and Reception.

ORDER YOUR POINSETTIAS!
As the weather turns cold, many people in our community do not have even the most basic needs, such as a warm winter coat. HBBC will be collecting new and gently used winter coats in all sizes from November to January, to meet that need for our neighbors. Please bring coats to drop off in the bins beside the Welcome Center or outside the Fellowship Hall.

WINTER COAT DRIVE
We are grateful to the Decorations Committee for preparing the Cornucopia on the Communion Table. This beautiful display symbolizes the abundance of God’s gracious provision for all of our needs.

ANGEL TREE 2015
Be an angel to someone in need this year! Our angel tree is up and decorated. Pick an angel (decorated by Children’s Missions classes) and bring back the gift detailed on the back. Your gift helps defray the cost of the sanctuary poinsettias and of those taken to members served by the home visitation ministry. The poinsettia cost $10 each. A list of donors will be published. You can find forms in the pews, or in the Happenings publication. Please turn in your form with a check (made out to HBBC). You can also submit a form online by going to www.hbbc.org/poinsettias. The deadline for submitting orders is December 6.

FAMILY CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION
Come join in some Christmas fun with your family and church friends on Wednesday, December 9th! We will share time together listening to stories, doing a family craft, completing a mission project and singing carols, all during our Music and Missions time. There will be no childcare provided. Please RSVP to Beth Kittler by December 7th.