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Chartered February 23, 1868 AD

GLEN ALLEN BAPTIST CHURCH

The Service of Worship

December 17, 2017

Third Sunday of Advent

10:30 a.m.

Organ Pr

Janet Kessler

. S. Bach

WE WORSHIP THROUGH PREPARATION

Welcome & Announcements

THE LITANY AND LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF PEACE

(Responsive)

Sean & Christina Gentry Family

We, too, wait for Christmas - Celebrate anew the Christ Child's birth -
Proclaim again His coming to the earth.

**Like shepherds long ago our skies are dark. We seek a star, again to
hear angelic voices from afar.**

Join magi bearing gifts our treasures heaping on the princely store, new wise
men adding truth to ancient lore.

**A manger in our souls, our voices raised until the Noels sing! Our hearts
made ready to receive our King!**

The second candle is the candle of Peace. Peace is the gift of God, the
assurance that we are right with Him.

**It was of peace the angels sang as their great light filled the heavens
and the shepherds learned of the Christmas gift of God in Jesus Christ.**

The Reading of the Advent Scripture, Isaiah 9:2-7

Lighting the second Advent candle—The Candle of Peace

Jesus told us that the peace He gives is a peace which can be found in no
other place, from no other one.

**Jesus Christ is our Peace; Peace on earth, God now come to earth, good
will to those with whom He is pleased. God make us peaceful.**

THE LITANY AND LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF JOY

(Responsive)
Bobby & Debbie Abernathy Family

Troubled and confused in a confusing troubled world, we try to make sense out of the conflicting voices.

We search to find one word that will make sense and give meaning to the rest.

Come near, Lord. Touch our hearts and souls; enfold your life around ours; speak that one cleansing, unifying word.

Express yourself to us, in us, through us.

We are walking toward Bethlehem, listening every step of the way for the sound of our name; for the announcement that we have found favor with God.

We journey toward Bethlehem, watching every step of the way for a new star in the sky, for guidance in our daily lives.

Walking toward Bethlehem, sensing we are not alone, angels are all around us, the prayers of saints surround us.

We journey toward Bethlehem, hoping to find a baby in a manger; a simple sign that God loves us still.

The Reading of the Advent Scripture Luke 2: 8-14

Light the third Advent candle—The Candle of Joy

God turn our days to joy that we may serve you always.

Fill us with joy, expectancy and wonder as we prepare for the amazing blessings of the holy birth.

Meet & Greet

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“The Family of God”

Gaither

I'm so glad I'm a part of the family of God.
I've been washed in the spirit, cleansed by his blood!
Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod;
For I'm part of the family, the family of God.

Hymn #85

“The First Nowell” (stz. 1 & 4)

Trad. English Carol

Offertory Prayer

Missionary Moment for December

Lottie Moon was born in Virginia on December 12, 1840. She was named Charlotte Digges Moon, but everyone called her "Lottie." She grew to be a cultured and educated woman. In 1873, she obeyed God's call to go to China to share the gospel. The Chinese people respected Lottie, and her missions work won many Chinese to Christ.

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering was established in 1888 to empower the international missions efforts for Southern Baptists. As a Cooperative Baptist Fellowship church, we owe a debt of gratitude to Lottie Moon. After more than a century, our annual Christmas offering continues its steady growth for all Baptists. Your giving enables missionaries to be sent to make disciples and multiply churches among unreached peoples and places for the glory of God.

Our Children's Missions groups are sponsoring a post office to benefit the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering this year. Please see the information in the bulletin and consider participating.

Offertory

“Mary, Did You Know?”

Arr. Kessler

Receiving of Tithes and Offering

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Service of Music - 2017



Michael Duke – Narrator
Janet Kessler – Accompanist

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| Come to Earth, O Tiny King
<i>Children's Choir, Aricka Parent, Laura Cooper, Directors,
Abby West, Matthew West, Bells</i> | Schram |
| In Hope We Wait Emmanuel
<i>Aricka Parent, Glenn West, Lillian West, Percussion</i> | Lee/Wagner |
| Come to Us
<i>Carmella Jones, Soloist</i> | Sorenson |
| Morning Star | Boersma/Larson |
| African Alleluia
<i>Glory Choir, Violet Stanley, Elijah Tonello, Issac Spicer,
Percussion</i> | Harlan |
| Run Shepherds!
<i>Aricka Parent, Glenn West, Lillian West, Percussion</i> | Johnson |
| His Life is Light from Heaven
<i>Aricka Parent – Flute (organ)</i> | Lantz/Fromback |
| Sing We Now of Christmas
<i>Jubilate Choir</i> | Hayes |
| Carols for Seekers | Martin |

WE WORSHIP THROUGH COMMITMENT & DISCIPLESHIP

Benediction

Closing Hymn #87 **“Joy to the World, The Lord is Come”** **Handel**

Joy to the world! The Lord is come; Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him room. And heaven and nature sing.
And heaven and nature sing. And heaven and heaven and nature sing.

Ushers

D. Rigsby, N. Yarbrough, G. West, J. Mantiplay

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to the Reynolds family in the death of Jean Reynolds on December 5, 2017. She is the mother of Joyce Mantiplay.

CONGRATULATIONS TO Alycia and Will Trice who are the proud parents of **Lucy Beckett Trice** born November 8, 2017. Don and Cheryl Roland are the proud grandparents. The rose on the pulpit is in her honor.

The flowers placed in the sanctuary are in honor of Verna Graff, given by her grandchildren.

Thank you to our church family for the beautiful dish garden and the many phone calls, cards and food that we received during these last three difficult weeks. It was so wonderful to see so many GABC faces at my mom's funeral and all of your love and support has deeply touched our hearts during this time of sorrow. Fondly, **Joyce and Mark Mantiplay**

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR GLOBAL MISSIONS -During the month of December, we have the opportunity to give to global missions through the offering envelope included in our envelope pack. You may choose to give to the Southern Baptist Convention (Lottie Moon), the Baptist World Alliance, or the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship. Checks should be made payable to Glen Allen Baptist Church and mark the appropriate box on your special envelope. If you do not have a Christmas offering envelope, please use a plain envelope (an usher will be glad to give you one) and indicate on your check that it is for Christmas Global Missions.

LOTTIE MOON POST OFFICE - The Children's Missions will be bringing back the Lottie Moon Post Office in December. For twenty five cents each, the children will collect your Christmas cards beginning **Sunday, December 3** and will continue collecting and delivering cards each Wednesday night and Sunday morning during the month. On Wednesday nights, the drop-off destination will be next to Julie (where you pay for dinner). On Sunday's, look for Amy Smith, Jaime Tonello, or Cheryl Tilley in the Sanctuary.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES - Adult Sunday School classes are invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall for Sunday School on Christmas Eve. Matt Davidson will be teaching. We hope you will join us.

It is time for all standing committees to elect their committee chairs for 2018. Please let the Church office or Forrest know who your new committee officers will be for 2018, for the Church directory. Committees needed are: Cemetery, Com-tec, Discipleship, Flower and Decoration, Kitchen, Missions, Nominating, Personnel, Praise and Worship, Pre-K, Recreation, Stewardship, and Usher.

Safety Team - We are locking exterior Church doors on Sundays during the Worship service, with the exception of the front Sanctuary door, in case of late-comers. Also, we are leaving the East, carport side doors locked during Wednesday Family Nights. This will not inhibit egress from any of the fire exit doors. Please give your feedback, thoughts and comments to **Forrest Melton, John Crosby, Kelda Flinchum, Tim Cooper, or Michael Duke.**

Inclement Weather Telephone Notification – ‘Tis the Season – and that means the potential for inclement weather. GABC has a telephone notification system that will alert us when services will be cancelled, and we also plan on using it for other notification purposes. **GABC Communications & Technology Committee**

Deacon’s Meeting – December 19 at 7:00 p.m.

LUNCH A MONTH BUNCH: The luncheon for all ladies in GABC will **NOT** be scheduled in December due to the Christmas activities. We look forward to meeting in January. Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Announcing a New Bible Discussion Group. This group will start up on **Wednesday night, January 10** in the Faith and Fellowship classroom at 6:30 PM. The group will focus on reading and discussing the word of God on a regular basis (schedule to be determined after the first meeting). We will start with the book of Matthew and see where that goes. Come ready to read and discuss! Please contact Allen Jenkins with any questions.

Do you know someone that formerly participated in the Youth or Children's Ministries at GABC? We are gathering contact information for the 150th Anniversary Celebration. Please send any information to susan.sutton.taylor@gmail.com or contact the church office. Please include maiden name and the year(s) of participation.

The next 150th Anniversary Team Meeting will be Sunday, February 7, 2018.

Save the dates:

February 25, 2018 - 150th Anniversary Worship Service

April 29, 2018 - 150th Anniversary Homecoming Service

“We’ve come this far by Faith”

YOUTH NEWS

Mark your calendars now...the annual **GABC Youth Yard Sale** will be held on Saturday, March 10. This year we will also be

selling Brunswick Stew. We look forward to a great event as always. Further information will be coming as we approach this date.

Dec 17 to Dec 23, 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
3rd Sunday of Advent 8:45 AM Glory Choir Rehearsal 9:00 AM Refreshments 9:15 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Children's Sunday School - FH-Annual Happy Birthday Jesus Party 10:30 AM Worship Service/Christmas Music	7:00 PM Boy Scouts Troop 795 - Scout Lodge	7:30 AM Tuesday Morning Group 7:00 PM Deacon's Meeting	7:00 PM Adult Choir	First Day of Winter		

NOVEMBER SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Congratulations to the following people who had perfect attendance for the month of November!

Bobby Abernathy	Michael Duke	<i>Frances Melton</i>	<i>Esther Thompson</i>
David Abernathy	Joyce Ellis	Robert Melton	<i>Elijah Tonello</i>
<i>Anne-Marie Alexander</i>	<i>Kelda Flinchum</i>	Rylan Parrish	<i>Hannah Tonello</i>
<i>Hunter Alexander</i>	<i>Laura Ford</i>	Stan Parrish	<i>John Tonello</i>
<i>Katie Alexander</i>	Verna Graff	Wilder Parrish	<i>Noah Tonello</i>
<i>Tyler Alexander</i>	Marvin Harris	Zoe Parrish	<i>Sophiah Tonello</i>
Melissa Brannan	<i>Allen Jenkins</i>	Barbara Richards	Carol Warlick
Mary Dalton	Suzanne Jenkins	Christine Rogers	Glenn West
Linda Davidson	Larry Long	<i>Kirby Smith</i>	Lillian West
Matt Davidson	Gloria Mallory	<i>David Stone</i>	<i>Ben Worley</i>
<i>Jeanan Duke</i>	<i>Forrest Melton</i>	<i>Al Thompson</i>	Hannah Worley

YTD Perfect
Attendance

20



2017 Christmas Season Glen Allen Baptist Church

Included is all special events during the month of December.



Wednesday	12/20	No Evening Activities
Sunday	12/24	4 th Sunday of Advent/ <i>The Candle of Love</i> <i>Matt & Linda Davidson Family</i>
Sunday	12/24	Christmas Eve Service (5:00 P.M.)/ <i>The Christ Candle</i> <i>Robert & Janet Melton Family</i>
Monday	12/25	Christmas Day – Church Office Closed.
Wednesday	12/27	No Evening Activities
Sunday	12/31	New Year's Eve
Monday	1/1	New Year's Day – Church Office Closed.

Prayer List - Cares and Concerns as of December 13, 2017

Sick at Home

Kitty & Pete Bagby	Bootsie Newton
Betty Blanchard (grandmother of Cheryl and Paul Tilley)	Sandy Newton
Willie Boswell	Red Reid
Bev Cocke	Martin Reiss (son-in-law of Flo Smith)
Jeanette Edwards	Rene Rzasa
Joan England	Eugene Shelton
Phil and Cindy England (brother and sister-in-law of Bill England)	Rebecca Smith
John Gray	Nick Spallino
Karl Harris	Sara Stanley
Charles Klebert (Lynn McNeal's dad)	Lynn Steigleder (Evelyn Holladay's son)
	Jim Stiebel
	Heather Temple (friend of Donna Washington)
	Bob Warlick
	Gil Miles

IN THE HOSPITAL & REHAB CENTERS:

Mel Deyerle, Glenburnie Rehab
Evelyn Holladay, Manor Care, Rm. 903-2 (for rehab)
Vivian Reed, Crump Rehab, Rm. 32B (Donna Washington's mom)

Assisted Living

Ginnie Adams, Imperial Plaza, Azalea Bldg., Rm. 606
Bessie Barnett, Chestnut Grove, Morning Glory #120, 9010 Woodman Road, Henrico, VA
Judie Foster, Heritage Green Nursing Home (mother of Cris Foster)
Mary Nevius, Heritage Green - 7080 Brooks Farm Road, Mechanicsville, VA 23111, Rm. 118, Cell – 804-510-8013

Fred Tucker, Sitter and Barfoot Veterans Care Center, 1601 Broad Rock Boulevard, Richmond Unit #439, Richmond, VA 23224; Phone: 804-371-8000.

Elmer West, Imperial Plaza

Helen Williamson, Covenant Columns Manor, Anna Pitt, 510 Park Avenue, Henrico, VA 23223, phone: 804-222-5133

Independent Living – Imperial Plaza

Louise Ruddick – Apt. C312, 1713 Bellevue Avenue, Rich. VA 23227;
Phone: 370-0904

Vera Wilson, -Apt. D213, 1711 Bellevue Ave., Rich., VA 23227

Major Nathan Harris, Austin Schumann, Christian Collins, Marines (Judy Wade's grandson) (military service)



The Beautiful Poinsettias in the Sanctuary Today are Given as Follows

1. In loving memory of her father, Anderson Lavert Woolfolk, Sr & her brothers, Anderson Lavert Woolfolk, Jr. & Lanny Woolfolk, & his father, L. Andrew Duke, Sr., given by Jeanean & Michael Duke & children.
2. In honor of her mother, Marjorie Woolfolk & his mother, Lillian Duke, given by Jeanean & Michael Duke & children.
3. In honor of our children & grandchildren, given by Jeanean & Michael Duke.
4. In honor of Michael & Jeanean Duke, given by Catherine, John Michael, David & Lauren, Avery & Alex.
5. In honor of Alya, Jacob, & Cayden Hertzler, my grandchildren I have yet to meet, given by Forrest and Jean Melton.
6. In memory of our fathers, Will D. West & LaVergne Stone, given by Glenn & Sharon West.
7. In memory of my grandparents, Carl & Alice Burch, given by Glenn West.
8. In memory of my sister, Margaret Russell, given by E. L. Allen, Jr.
9. In memory of my mother, Virginia Allen & father, E. L. Allen, Sr., given by E. L. Allen, Jr.
10. In honor of our Interim Pastor, Dr. William J. Crowder, Jr., given by the church family.
11. In honor of our Interim Pastor, Dr. Roger Collier, given by the church family.
12. In honor of the Choir Director, Sharon West, given by the church family.
13. In honor of Organist/Pianist, Janet Kessler, given by the church family.
14. In honor of the Office Manager, Carol Slaven, given by the church family.
15. In honor of our Custodian, Linda Kemp, given by the church family.
16. In memory of Stuart & Gloria Waters, given by Debbie, Wil, Brandon & Lindsey Anderson.

17. In memory of Stuart & Gloria Waters, given by, Sam, Theresa, Kyle, Katie & Clayton Humphrey,
18. In loving memory of our parents, David N. Sale, Aline McAnally Melton & Edith C. Evans, given by Matt & Linda Davidson.
19. In honor of Janet Ford (parents), given by Laura Ford.
20. In memory of William M. Bird, Jr., Charles L Jones and Charles S, Jones, given by Tammy & Mike Jones.
21. In honor of Pauline Bird and Callie Jones, given by Tammy & Mike Jones.
22. In honor of Tammy Jones, given by Mike Jones.
23. In memory of Bonnie & Jean Colley, given by David & Cheryl Ender.
24. In memory of Bonnie & Jean Colley, given by Gloria & Jim Mallory.
25. In memory of Jean Anne Bragg, given by Janet Melton.
26. In memory of Doris & Earl Eckert, given by Janet Melton.
27. In memory of Robert Richards, given by Barbara Richards.
28. In memory of Vera and Aubrey Flippen, given by Barbara Richards, daughter.
29. In memory of our parents, Flora and Tom Murphy, Clara and Larry Melton, given by Janet & Robert Melton.
30. In memory of Mary and Wilson Davis (my parents), given by Mary June Dalton.
31. In memory of Phil Dalton (my husband), given by Mary June Dalton.
32. In loving memory of our parents, Bob and Alice Stone, given by David Stone and Nancy Johnston.
33. In honor of Donna Washington, given by The Ruth Fidelis Class.
34. In memory of our two sons, Ricky and Chuck and our son-in-law, Bobby Watlington, given by Chris and Joyce Ellis.
35. In honor of Verna Graff, given by Karl & Beverly Harris.

36. In memory of Roger D. Craver (husband), given by Chris Rogers.
37. In memory of Lucile Little (sister), given by Chris Rogers.
38. In memory of Beulah Russ (sister), given by Chris Rogers.
39. In honor of Bessie Barnett, given by Rogers, Corbin, Cate and Carolynn Christopher.
40. In memory of Roy L. Barnett, given by Bessie Barnett, Julie Christopher and family.
41. In memory of Jean Anne Bragg, given by Cheryl Ender.
42. In honor of Mr. Emmett Allen, given by David and Cheryl Ender.

During these days of uncertainty about the future of our church's leadership, it is important to remember who we are and what we are about. As you study this Church Covenant, we challenge you to think about your commitment and your faith on a daily basis.

We, the members of Glen Allen Baptist Church, having accepted Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior, do now solemnly and joyfully enter into a covenant one with another, and promise that we will walk together in Christian love as becomes members of the fellowship of believers in the church family.

We promise to follow the way of life as revealed in the teachings of the New Testament to the very best of our understanding and ability. We resolve with God's help to become growing and useful members of this church, doing all within our power to promote the Christian spirit in our community.

We will worship and "forsake not the assembling of ourselves together", nor omit the great duty of prayer, both for ourselves and for others. We will share in each other's joys and endeavor, with tenderness and sympathy, to bear each other's burdens and sorrows.

We resolve to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the church and its worldwide mission and, through private, family, and public devotions, to pray for the spirituality and prosperity of the church.

We will earnestly endeavor to bring up those under our care in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, striving together for the support of a faithful and evangelical ministry among us and for the spread of the gospel throughout the world.

We will endeavor, by example and effort, to win people to Christ; and throughout life, seek to live to the glory of Him who has called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

We agree that when we move from this place, we will as soon as possible unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.