### First of All

Thank you for choosing to worship with us at First Church.

Let's worship the Lord together with...

Worship	"Joy to the World"
First Family Fellowship	
Worship	"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"
	"What a Beautiful Name"
	"Lord, I Need You"
Prayer	"He's All I Need"
Offering	"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"
Children's Program	"First Naz Kids' Variety Show"
Closing	"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

# First Step

The most important thing that can happen to you is asking Jesus into your heart. It's as simple as ABC...

# Admit that you have sinned

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

Romans 3:23

# Believe that Jesus died for you

"God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

# Confess that Jesus is Lord of your life

"If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord', and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. It is with your heart that you believe and are justified and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved."

Romans 10:9-10

If you followed these steps and asked Jesus into your heart, please let Pastor Bobby know.

## First News

### 1 Church Christmas Dinner

The annual Church Christmas Dinner will be held after the service this morning. There are seats available and plenty of food, so you are welcome to stay.

# **2** Teen Christmas Party

The **Teen** Christmas party will be at 6:30 this Wednesday, Dec. 11, in the teen room. Bring a useable white elephant gift (\$5 or less).

### 3 "The Edith Christmas Boxes"

"The Edith Christmas Boxes" for shut-ins will be packed at 10:30 in Hermon Hall this Friday, December 13. Bring homemade goodies and other items you think they would like. If you know of someone that should get a box, contact Connie Graham no later than this Wednesday, Dec. 11.

# 4 Ladies' Christmas Party

Ladies, come Tuesday, December 17, at 6:30 PM to the Breakfast Club Room (downstairs by the choir room) for games, fun and fellowship. Bring a favorite Christmas party dish (drinks will be provided) & a wrapped Christmas ornament to exchange. Wear a favorite Christmas outfit (pretty or ugly). If you have any questions, contact Sharon Spangler.

# 5 "Happy Birthday, Jesus" Party & Children's Missions

On Sunday, December 22, the "Happy Birthday, Jesus" party for children will be held during Sunday School at 9:00 AM. The Children's Mission Class will be held at 10:00.

# First Serve

Helpers Today:Next Sunday, December 15Greeters: Sue Daniel, Wanda Manion, Keith W.Randy Foshee, Stuart ScheidererBabies: Tiffany FrisbyJennifer RaathToddlers: Tessa Watson, Kelly WilliamsCaitlyn Watson

First Fruits				
<u>December Giving</u>	<u>Needed</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Balance</u>	
Tithes/Offerings	\$38,183	<i>\$7,755</i>	<i>\$30,428</i>	
Faith Promise - Missions	\$ 5,173	\$ 930	\$4,243	

# First Impression

We welcome you to First Church! Here are a few things that we would like you to know about our Church...

#### Denomination

The Church of the Nazarene is a holiness church that shares roots with the Methodist Church. With over 2.2 million members worshiping in over 29,000 congregations in 159 world areas, we are a part of something much bigger than ourselves.

## Worship

It has been said that, "Worship changes the worshiper into the image of the One worshiped." To achieve that transformation, First Church is willing to use everything from drums to organs and everything in between.

#### Youth and Children

"It's a race to the heart of a child and the first one there wins." First Church is trying to outrun world influences with various programs to "train a child up in the way they should go."

### Adults

We are big enough to serve you and small enough to know you! Whether you are single or married, working or retired there is something for you at First Church.

#### Missions

We believe that the mission of the church is Missions. First Church is a going, sending, praying and paying church so that the whole world may hear the Good News of Jesus Christ!

# Community

First Church cares for our neighbors. We want "our light to shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

# First Word

December 8, 2019



"Go Fish Joy to the World"
Choir

"Mary, Did You Know"
Annalisse Jenkins

"Hark, the Herald Angels Sing"

Jolie Woodard, Piano

Skit

Ryan & Merritt Hill

"Away in a Manger"
Creek Been

"Jingle Bells"
Merritt Hill, Piano

"Silent Night"
Handbell Choir

"Go Tell It"
Choir

"Hosanna Rocks"
Tripp Jenkins

Nativity Scene Story Readers

"Happy Birthday, Jesus" Annalisse Jenkins & Choir

# First Glance

**Sunday, Dec. 8:** 8:30 a.m. - Prayer Gathering

9:00 a.m. - Sunday School

10:00 a.m. - Family Worship Service Children's Christmas Program

11:40 a.m. - Church Christmas Dinner (Family Life Center) 5:30 p.m. - Brookdale Senior Living Center Service

**Wed., Dec. 11:** 6:00 p.m. - Prayer Gathering

6:30 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery Classes 6:30 p.m. - Adult Bible Study (Chapel)

6:30 p.m. - Ladies' Bible Study ("God of Covenant" study) 6:30 p.m. - Nursery Care, Children's & Teen Activities

7:35 p.m. - Praise Team Rehearsal

**Friday, Dec. 13:** 10:30 a.m. - Pack "The Edith Christmas Boxes"

**Sat., Dec. 14:** 5:00 p.m. - Kid's Play Group

**Sunday, Dec. 15:** 8:30 a.m. - Prayer Gathering

9:00 a.m. - Sunday School 10:00 a.m. - Worship Service Children's Church

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