



**Welcome To Worship at  
Kentville United  
Baptist Church  
ONLINE ZOOM SERVICE  
December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE TO WORSHIP**

Prelude In the Bleak Mid-Winter (arr. Carol Tornquist)  
Welcome  
Call to Worship & Prayer Margie Gay  
Hymn: **Once in Royal David's City** 286

**SHARING AS A COMMUNITY**

Prayers of the People  
Ministry of Music

**LISTENING AND RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

Scripture Reading: Matthew 1:18-25 Wayne Gay  
Message: "He Called His Name Jesus" Bob Wilson

**GOING OUT TO LOVE AND SERVE GOD**

Hymn: **O Little Town of Bethlehem** 250  
Blessing  
Postlude I Saw Three Ships (arr. Cindy Berry)

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*We thank Bob Wilson for bringing us the message this morning  
while Pastor Dave is away.*

*Thank you for joining us online in worship today.  
We hope this helps you be encouraged, comforted,  
edified, and challenged as you spend time lifting  
your heart and soul up to God today.*



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**COMMUNION NEXT WEEK:** *Next week we will be celebrating  
the Lord's Supper together. Our apostle Paul urges us to  
honour the body (meaning our brothers and sisters in Jesus),  
whenever we gather for communion. Let's do something else*

*Paul mentions: examine our hearts during this week to make sure we are not  
being dismissive of any whom Christ has redeemed and to whom he has joined  
us in one body, so we can join together next Sunday with joy and in true unity.*

**Once In Royal David's City #286**

Once in royal David's city  
stood a lowly cattle shed,  
where a mother laid her Baby  
in a manger for His bed:  
Mary was that mother mild,  
Jesus Christ, her little Child.

He came down to earth from heaven  
who is God and Lord of all,  
and His shelter was a stable,  
and His cradle was a stall;  
with the poor and mean and lowly,  
lived on earth our Saviour holy.

Jesus is our childhood's pattern;  
Day by day like us He grew.  
He was little, weak and helpless;  
Tears and smiles like us He knew.  
And He feeleth for our sadness,  
And He shareth in our gladness.

And our eyes at last shall see Him,  
through His own redeeming love,  
for that Child, so dear and gentle,  
is our Lord in heav'n above,  
and He leads His children on  
to the place where He is gone.

**O Little Town of Bethlehem #250**

O little town of Bethlehem,  
how still we see thee lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
the silent stars go by;  
yet in thy dark streets shineth  
the everlasting light.  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary,  
and, gathered all above  
while mortals sleep, the angels keep  
their watch of wond'ring love.  
O morning stars, together  
proclaim the holy birth,  
and praises sing to God the King  
and peace to all the earth.

How silently, how silently,  
the wondrous Gift is giv'n!  
So God imparts to human hearts  
the blessings of His heav'n.  
No ear may hear His coming,  
but in this world of sin,  
where meek souls will receive Him, still  
the dear Christ enters in.

4 O holy Child of Bethlehem,  
descend to us, we pray,  
cast out our sin and enter in,  
be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels  
the great glad tidings tell;  
O come to us, abide with us,  
our Lord Emmanuel!

**Kentville Baptist** one of the ways we support each other is through a **Prayer Line**. People in the church have committed themselves to pray privately for people and situations about which they are notified. Prayer concerns are shared only with the knowledge and permission of those for whom prayer is being sought. If you have a prayer request please contact Pastor Dave by phone at: 902-678-3162 (church) or 902-681-2264 (home) or Karen Wilder at (902) 681-0116 to get the Prayer Line in motion.

**Deacons' Prayer List:** In the bulletin each week, the Deacons are including the names of people in our church family who are unable to worship with us on a regular basis. We invite you to remember these people in prayer, phone calls or visits. **This week please keep Dorothy Beach, Dorothy Blenkhorn and Mary Jean Brown in prayer.**

#### CBM PRAYERLINE – PRAYERS FOR OUR PARTNERS

The CBM Prayerline can be viewed anytime a [www.cbmin.org/prayerline/](http://www.cbmin.org/prayerline/)

**Holiday Pastoral Contact Information** - Pastor Dave will be away from Christmas Day to January 1<sup>st</sup>. For pastoral emergencies Dec 25 – Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, please contact Pastor Devin at 902-678-3162 (church), 902-679-3611 (home), or contact Bob Wilson, Deacons Chair, at 902-678-1021.

#### JUST A THOUGHT . . . (a slow journey through John)

*Read John 15:20-21*

Jesus reminds his disciples that what goes for the teacher goes for the student. Disciples of Jesus should not expect any better treatment than their Teacher received. Those who dismiss Jesus will dismiss them; those who honour him will honour them. As the psalmist said “The insults people throw at you land on me too!” (Psalm 69:9) This all springs from the world’s ignorance of God.

What comforts me when I am poorly treated for the sake of Jesus?

#### CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

**Anyone wishing to make a year-end donation** may do so by placing it in the church side door mail box slot before noon, **Friday, December 31st. Year-end tax receipts** will be ready in **February 2021.**

**Will you help?** The Ethel Fenerty WMS will be placing a basket for the collection of hats, mitts, gloves, scarves and socks for Open Arms. All congregation donations will be greatly appreciated.



**Greeters!** A schedule for 2022 has been put in your church mail slots. Thank you for participating in this very important ministry for our church family.



**Please check your Church mail boxes when you get a chance!**

There is lots of Christmas mail to be picked up!

**Your 2022 offering envelopes have been distributed.** If you know of someone who normally attends and is not comfortable attending at the present time due to the pandemic, why not pick up theirs and drop them off as boxes will not be mailed out.

**If you do not have envelopes and would like some, please contact Myrna Blenkhorn, Kevin Higgins or the Church Office.**

If you do not have a mail slot and would like one please leave a message with the church office and one will be set up for you in the New Year.



**Please Note:** Just a friendly reminder that Annual Reports will be due **Wednesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022.** All groups and committees are responsible for handing in a report. They can be emailed, on cd/ memory stick or hand written and dropped off at the Church Office (or in the church mail slot by the door on Webster Street).. **Thank you to those who have already submitted theirs!**

*Offerings are part of worship in the Bible. They are a way of expressing our thanks to God for his grace in our lives. Offerings are part of community-building in the Bible. They are a way we say "We're here for each other." Offerings are part of loving in the Bible. They are a way to spread our resources into a needy world.*

*Here are some ways you may present your Christmas Offering, if you wish to make a donation. Please note your envelope number or name and address if you would like an income tax receipt:*

- ❖ *You may drop your cheque off at the church through the mail slot at the Webster Street side entrance. Please do not drop off cash. These funds will be deposited at the bank on a weekly basis.*
- ❖ *You may give through Canada helps ([www.canadahelps.org](http://www.canadahelps.org)) – visit their web page to make a credit card donation. As noted, a 4 % percentage of this donation is used by Canada Helps as an administrative fee.*
- ❖ *You may give through an e-transfer from your bank account to the church. To do this, set up our church as an e-transfer payee through the email address [treasurer@kentvillebaptist.org](mailto:treasurer@kentvillebaptist.org). The e-transfer needs to be done through your on-line banking account.*

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**Weekly sermons are also available on the web at  
[www.kentvillebaptist.org](http://www.kentvillebaptist.org) and by telephone at 1-888-813-3162.**

**Office Note** – *I will be on vacation from December 25<sup>th</sup> to January 4<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to the Pastors, the Board of Stewards and Jani Dufton for their aid with my days off at this time of year. On behalf of myself, Trevor, Olivia and Miriam I wish everyone in our church family a Merry Christmas and God's blessings upon you and yours in the upcoming New Year! ~ Alison*

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