

IF YOU'RE A GUEST TODAY, PLEASE FILL OUT A GUEST CARD OR SCAN THE QR CODE FOR ONLINE GUEST FORM.



Sermon Notes

Those Who Draw Near.... Shepherds

Luke 2:15

Opening Song
"Still, Still, Still" - arr. R. Shephard
FPC Children's Choir with Nava Burroughs, piano

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting the Advent Candle of PEACE

Greet One Another

Prayer & Scripture Reading - Luke 2:15

Songs of Praise

"Holy Spirit"

"Go Tell it on the Mountain"

Sermon

"Those Who Draw Near: Shepherds"

Pastor Andrew Keuer

Songs of Praise

"What Child is This"

"Goodness Of God"

Closing Prayer and Blessing

To find notes and discussion questions on this week's and previous week's sermons, click on the QR code to the right or go to firstprotestant.com/sermon-study/.
New material posted weekly, at noon on Monday.




THOSE WHO DRAW NEAR
CHRISTMAS AT FIRST PROTESTANT CHURCH

DEC 1ST: "ANGELS" (LUKE 2:13-14)
 DEC 8TH: "SHEPHERDS" (LUKE 2:15)
 DEC 15TH: "THE HOLY FAMILY" (LUKE 2:16)
 DEC 22ND: "ANIMALS" (LUKE 2:16)
 DEC 24TH: "JESUS THE MESSIAH" (LUKE 2:10-12)
 DEC 25TH: "ALL WHO HEAR" (LUKE 2:18)

CHRISTMAS BAGS ARE READY
COME BY SCHUMANN HALL
TODAY AFTER THE SERVICES
AND PICK UP THE BAGS YOU CAN
HELP DELIVER!
SEE JANICE, OUR DIRECTOR OF LAY MINISTRY AT
THE TABLE AS YOU SIGN UP TO DELIVER.

FPC MISSION BOARD PRESENTS
MISSIONARY ANGEL TREE
 FIND THE ANGEL TREE IN SCHUMANN HALL
 OR NEAR THE ENTRANCE OF THE SANCTUARY
 AND CHOOSE A PRE-ADDRESSED CARD TO A MISSIONARY
 ADD A FAMILY PICTURE, A NOTE, A PRAYER & A STAMP.
THAT'S ALL IT TAKES!
 HELP US BLESS OUR MISSIONARIES THIS CHRISTMAS.

FIRST PROTESTANT
 CHURCH OF NEW BRAUNFELS

SUNDAY, DEC. 22, 2024	CHRISTMAS DAY, DEC. 25, 2024
LESSONS AND CAROLS 9:30 AM	FAMILY SERVICE 10:00AM
"HANDELS MESSIAH"	
NATIVITY PAGEANT 11:00 AM	SUNDAY, DEC. 29, 2024
	COMBINED FAMILY SERVICE 10:00AM
CHRISTMAS EVE TUESDAY, DEC. 24, 2024	SUNDAY, JAN. 5, 2025
CANDLELIGHT SERVICES	EPIPHANY PAGEANT 9:30AM & 11:00AM
3:30PM, 5:30PM, & 7:30 PM	
LIVE NATIVITY 4:30 PM	

Christmas Music Offering

Consider making a special gift to help with the extra worship opportunities during this Christmas season. These offerings can be made in thanksgiving or in memory of someone, and those names will be listed in our special Christmas Eve bulletins.

Please use the tear out below designating your gift for special Christmas Music & place in the offering. Or donate online and designate the gifts to music, adding the names for your memorial or thanksgiving in the notes section online. Gifts will be listed with both the name of the memorial or thanksgiving and the name of the giver(s). Each gift is greatly appreciated and will be recorded on your giving record at First Protestant.

All thanksgivings and/or memorials received by Thursday, December 19th will be included in our Christmas Eve bulletins.

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MEMORIAL THANKSGIVING \$_____ Amount of Gift

In the Name of: _____

Given by: _____

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Looking Ahead

WEDNESDAY FAMILY NIGHTS

@ FIRST PROTESTANT CHURCH
A SPIRITUAL HOME IN THE
HEART OF THE COMMUNITY



THERE'S A PLACE
FOR YOU

4:00 - 5:00 GAMES AND FELLOWSHIP
5:00 - 6:00 DINNER (\$5 DONATION)
5:30 - 6:15 YOUTH BAND PRACTICE
6:15 - 6:30 GATHERING IN SCHUMANN HALL
6:00 - 7:00 HANDBELL PRACTICE
6:30 - 7:30 PROGRAMS
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY IN THE WELL
YOUTH IN THE BORMANN ROOM
PASTOR'S STUDY IN THE CHAPEL
7:00 - 8:00 CHOIR PRACTICE

**THIS WEEK DEC, 11TH
THEN WEEKLY,
STARTING JAN. 8, 2025**



HANDEL'S MESSIAH
LESSONS & CAROLS SERVICE

JOIN US FOR HANDEL'S MASTERPIECE
COMPLETE WITH THE FIRST PROTESTANT CHOIR,
SOLOISTS, CHAMBER ORCHESTRA AND A SING-
ALONG HALLELUJAH CHORUS.

DECEMBER 22, 2024
9:30AM SERVICE

FIRST PROTESTANT CHURCH
172 W. COLL STREET
NEW BRAUNFELS, TX 78130

Participate in our
Nativity Pageant!

For unto us
a child is born!

First Protestant Church & School
Rehearsals: Dec. 8, Dec. 15 @ 11am
ATTENDANCE REQUIRED
Performance Dec. 22 at 11am
Contact Kirsten Boyd

the Best Christmas Pageant Ever

DECEMBER 12-15 SHOW TIMES
THURS DEC. 12TH - 6:00 PM
FRI DEC. 13TH - 7:00 PM
SAT DEC. 14TH - 2:00 PM & 7:00 PM
SUN - DEC. 15TH - 2:00 PM

TICKETS ON SALE IN SCHUMANN HALL
BETWEEN SERVICES

UN POCO DE TODO

FOOD TRUCK
OPEN 2 HOURS
BEFORE EACH
SHOW AND
DURING
INTERMISSION
EXCEPT SUNDAY

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2024 CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE

PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES NEXT
SUNDAY DEC. 15
FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO CHANGE
THEIR PHOTO OR BE ADDED TO
THE ONLINE DIRECTORY

SCHUMANN HALL
DURING BRUNCH OR CONTACT
CELESTE SALGE

Sunday School

Sundays, 9:30am Adult Sunday School Classes

The River Rats! (Heritage House, 1st floor) - Rodney Fischer

Sundays, 9:30am Youth Sunday School Classes

Middle School (Bormann Room) Jodi Butler

High School (Bormann Room) Adam Burroughs

Sundays, 11:00am Adult Sunday School Classes

Faithful Servants (Heritage House upstairs) – Lynn Herr

Legacy Builders (Heritage House main level) – Celeste Salge

Kingdom Seekers/C.A.L.M. Class (Heritage House upstairs)

Wayne Wise, Chris and Kristi Beabout

Young Family Class (Heritage House) - Dustin Williams and Nick Allen

Mid Week Groups

Band of Brothers (B.o.B.s) – Steve Stillman 512-797-9017

The B.o.B's meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month. Open to men of all ages, 6:30-8:00PM in the Well at FPC. No bible experience necessary. Please join us.

Tuesday AM Women's Bible Study - Kaye Polston 214-616-9608

The Women's Bible Study is a diverse group of all ages and denominations. We meet every Tues. morning at 10 am in the church office. We welcome all women to join as we seek to expand our faith and knowledge.

Tuesday Evening Women's Bible Study - Sue Saur 830-708-0302

Flying Fingers (Heritage House) - Sally Voges 830-708-8707

Wednesday mornings at 9:00 for a time of sewing, quilting, fellowship & more! Contact Sally Voges for more info.

Home Groups

Susan and Tim Thomas - Wednesdays, 6:30 pm timcthomas84@gmail.com

Today

*This week's radio broadcast is sponsored in loving memory of
Katherine & Hylmar Karbach, Sr. and John Leissner
Given by Carole & Layton Leissner*

*Altar flowers are given in memory of her parents,
Andy and Mary Ann Anderson on what would have been
their 73rd anniversary on Dec. 15th
by Kathy Anderson*

*Our 9:30 & 11:00 am services are
Live Streamed on firstprotestant.com. The 9:30 am service is
rebroadcast on a week delay at 10:30 am Sunday mornings on
AM1420 and 103.1FM.*

*If you would like to sponsor a broadcast,
Please contact the church office. 830-609-PRAY*

*There are available dates for radio sponsorships and flower
acknowledgement in 2025. Check the flower calendar in Schumann Hall
or email office@firstprotestant.com for more info and availability*



FIRST PROTESTANT CHURCH OF NEW BRAUNFELS

172 W. Coll Street, New Braunfels, TX 78130
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December 8, 2024
Second Service - 11:00 am
Second Sunday of Advent

