

# PINEVILLE POSTSCRIPTS

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**December 8 - 14**

Harold Roshto - 448-2481

**December 15 - 21**

Chris Roller - 780-0273

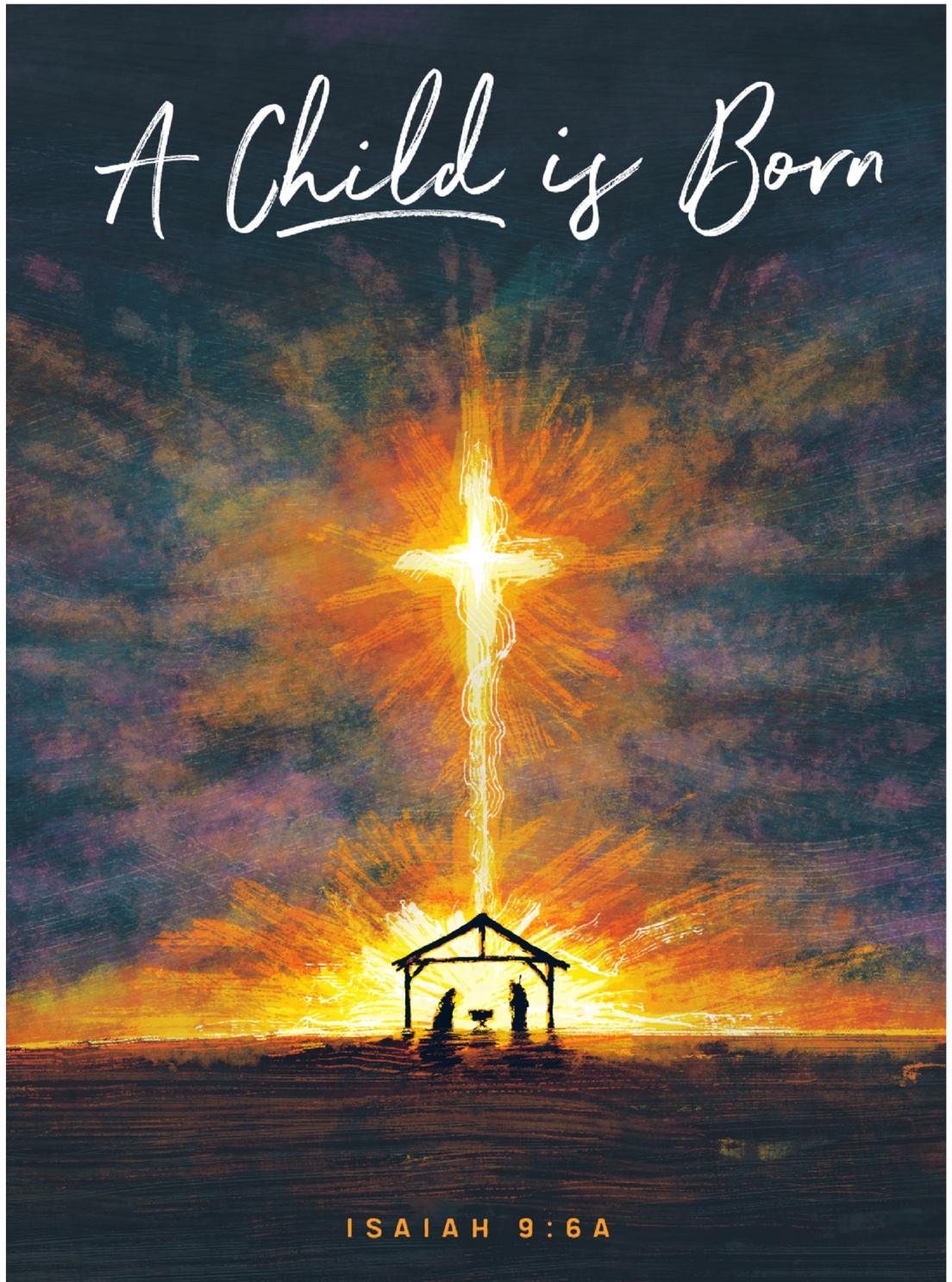
**December 22 - 28**

Terry Spruill - 308-9185

**December 29 - January 4**

Jan Tullos - 446-7371

# A Child is Born



ISAIAH 9:6A

## BE F.I.R.S.T.

**F**ocused on God, **I**nvolvement in ministry, **R**espected by peers, **S**trengthened in faith, and **T**ransformed by Christ



People are freaking out. "Thanksgiving was late, so Christmas is early!" Huh? Last time I checked; Christmas always happens on December 25. You've known that since January 1. Besides, the stores all switched over to Christmas three days before Halloween, and Hallmark started showing their Christmas movies on October 25. You have known Christmas was coming, no matter when Thanksgiving fell.

"But, Stewart, Black Friday was late!" Who needs Black Friday? I saw an ad where "Black Friday" prices were in effect on Tuesday a solid week before Thanksgiving at one store. Besides, with online shopping, sit on your sofa, eat your leftover pumpkin pie, and let your fingers do the shopping. Santa's elves wearing various colors of uniforms will deliver those goodies right to your front door in a couple of days. (However, to support our local economy, be sure to shop our local stores. Still, you're good - you have plenty of days until Christmas.)

Calm down, take a deep breath, and just enjoy all that the Christmas season has to offer. Don't miss Christmas in the midst of Christmas. You can do that, you know? Oh, the house may be decorated, the presents piled high, and the cookies eaten, but you can still miss Christmas. You'll get to December 26 and think, "What just happened? When was Christmas?"

Instead of running through Christmas, punctuate your season with pauses for worship here at First Baptist Church Pineville. We have three more weeks of wonderful Sunday morning and evening services planned. Our music ministry has some amazing things planned, and this Sunday morning, I will present the first of three dramatic monologue sermons as part of our Christmas series, *The Messenger*. I hope this new series focusing on the angelic messages of the Christmas story will invigorate your faith and help you prepare for Christmas.

Have a holly jolly Christmas! After all, everything that happens here at Christmas is just one more reason *it's a great time to Be F.I.R.S.T.*

Dr. C. Stewart Holloway, Pastor

## CHURCH-WIDE

### Finance End-of-Year Note:

Please remember that any contributions you want included in the 2019 calendar year must be received in the church office before noon on December 31, 2019, or post-marked on or before December 31, 2019.



### Sunday, December 8 - 6:00 P.M. "Christmas Night of Worship"

A wonderful and celebrative night of worship with interactive digital imagery and inspirational songs of worship all celebrating the birth of Jesus!

### Candy Donations Needed for Christmas Parade



Please bring your candy donations to the Welcome Center. We will need the donations no later than Wednesday, December 11.



### Time to Order 2019 Advent Poinsettias Deadline: December 18

If you would like to order a poinsettia in memory or in honor of a loved one, forms are available in the Sanctuary foyer, church office, and Welcome Center. You may return your form with payment to the church office or in the offering plate no later than December 18.

The cost is \$15.00 per plant.

**Please complete one form for each plant ordered.**

### Women on Mission Christmas Luncheon



Thursday, December 12 at 11:30 A.M.

Ladies, please join us for this special Christmas celebration and luncheon as we gather for a time of fellowship, food, and fun! We will have our luncheon at Casey Dickinson's home at 83 Foxfire Ln, Alexandria. The church bus will leave FBC Pineville at 11:00 A.M. for all who would like to travel together to Casey's home. The meal is covered dish with meat being provided.

Besides the good food, we will be blessed by Miss Sinae Baek who will play Christmas music on her violin. Kevin Boles and Paulette McGlothlin will lead us in singing Christmas carols.

Come and enjoy this special time of blessing as we fellowship and praise the Lord for all He has done for us!



### "One Noel" A Song of Christmas in Soulful Arrangements Sunday, December 15, 6:00 P.M.

An evening of the music of Christmas presented by the Worship Choir and Orchestra, complete with conversational narration.

# CHURCH-WIDE



## White Christmas Ingathering Angel Tree Gifts December 15

We will have an ingathering of our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, which empowers the international mission work of Southern Baptists around the world. Our goal this year is \$25,000. In addition, we will collect the presents for the Main Street Mission Angel Tree. Please bring your gifts wrapped in white with the Angel tag taped to the bottom. We will bring our offering and gifts forward at a designated time in the service.

## Carol Sing Wednesday, December 18

We will be visiting our homebound members to sing Christmas carols. Please bring cookies to bring to the homebound members. We will return to FBC Pineville afterwards to fellowship.

## Christmas Eve Service and the Ordinance of the Lord's Supper December 24



Be a part of the tradition at First Baptist Pineville and join us on Christmas Eve for the songs of the season, the Ordinance of the Lord's Supper, and a Christmas message by Pastor Stewart.

## Together Tuesdays Tuesday, January 7

Together Tuesdays



If you are interested in volunteering for this initiative, please call or email Kimberly for specific times and locations. There are opportunities all day long at several schools.

Kaguillard@fbcpineville.net



## Women on Mission Thursday, January 9

Ladies, the New Year is a great time to come see what Women on Mission is all about! Why not come to our January meeting and join us for Fellowship, Fun, and Food - all with a missions focus!

We have lots of fun and interesting things planned for 2020. We would love for you to join us!

## Precept Class: PHILIPPIANS (9 Lessons)

How do I live the Christian life joyfully regardless of people or circumstances? What is the purpose of suffering and the Christian perspective on death? Do I have "the mind of Christ"? Discover true, deep-down joy in your life that the world cannot take away!

BOOK P/U: Wed., Dec 18, 10:30 A.M.-12:00 P.M. or 4:30-6:00 P.M. (\$25.00 includes \$2 binder)

STARTS: Wed., January 8, 2020 (Lesson One)

PLACE / TIME: Room 112; 9:30 - 11:50 A.M. or 5:15 - 7:10 P.M.

RSVP: Pam Tullos at pgtullos@gmail.com or 318-451-0097

# CHILDREN



## Special Needs Parents Night Out Friday, December 6

This is for special needs children that are preschool through 6th grade and their siblings. PNO will be from 6:00-9:00 P.M. in the snack bar/gym. The cost is \$5.00 for pizza. Registration is available on the FBC website. To volunteer, please email Kimberly at kaguillard@fbcpineville.net.

## Preschool and Children's Choir Christmas Music Sunday, December 8

The Preschool and Children's Choirs will be singing in morning worship. They will be brought from their Sunday School classes to the Sanctuary for rehearsal and service prior to service time.



## Carol Sing and Christmas Party Wednesday, December 18

We will have a party during our regular Wednesday night activities in the Children's Suite. Everyone will need to bring a snack to share. We will then go over to a local nursing home to sing Christmas carols.

# YOUTH

## Decorating the Christmas Parade Float Wednesday, December 11

We will be getting our Christmas parade float decorated during our regular Youth time on this night. Come have a great time of fellowship as we decorate!

## Pineville Christmas Parade Friday, December 13

Meet us at FBC Pineville by 4:00 P.M.



## Youth Group Christmas Party Wednesday, December 18

We will be having our Youth Christmas party during our regular Wednesday night time.



# CHURCH-WIDE



## Homebound Member of the Week:

**December 1 - 7**  
Emily Needham  
Hilltop Nursing Home  
336 Edgewood Dr. Room 15-A  
Pineville, LA 71360

**December 8 - 14**  
Luke and Pat Radford  
920 Twin Bridges Rd.  
Alexandria, LA 71303

**December 15 - 21**  
Ruby Seaman  
423 Cummings  
Pineville, LA 71360

**December 22 - 28**  
Ruth Spruiell  
16 Heyman Lane  
Alexandria, LA 71303

**December 29 - January 4**  
Charlie and Carolyn Weber  
5801 Donahue Ferry Rd.  
Pineville, LA 71360

**January 5 - 11**  
Peggy West  
122 Azalea Court E  
Pineville, LA 71360

\*Please consider praying for and sending a letter to our Homebound Members.



## Love and Sympathy Extended:

- Nell Calvert on the loss of her brother, Howard Atkins.
- Lola Blakewood on the loss of her sister, Dorothy Pearson.
- Milton Frost Family.



Sunday School Report				
Date	11/10	11/17	11/24	12/1
Members Present	356	372	334	333
Guests Present	12	15	17	12
Total Present	368	387	351	345



## Strength Through Grief

**Tuesday, December 17, 2:00 P.M.**

We will meet in the Snack Bar. Led by Sue Miller.

General Budget	11/10	11/17	11/24	12/1
Weekly Goals	30,639.43	30,639.43	30,639.43	30,639.43
Weekly Gifts	27,942.37	41,785.50	27,162.50	29,770.04
Goals to Date	1,378,774.35	1,409,413.78	1,440,053.21	1,470,692.64
Gifts to Date	1,214,659.31	1,256,444.81	1,283,607.31	1,313,377.35
Making Way Building Fund	11/4-11/10	11/11-11/17	11/18-11/24	11/25-12/1
Weekly Gifts	1,472.00	1,860.00	3,829.81	2,263.00
Total Gifts (Since 2015)	1,749,201.94	1,747,073.94	1,750,903.75	1,753,166.75

**On-Line Giving** - Visit [fbcpineville.net](http://fbcpineville.net) and click on the link that says "Give."

**Louisiana Baptist FOUNDATION** Giving Options

Gifts of stock, estate stewardship, and more can be handled efficiently and inexpensively by the Louisiana Baptist Foundation. See Thomas Martin or Pastor Stewart for more information. Visit [lbinfo.org](http://lbinfo.org).

## Birthday Blessings Please pray for our friends on their birthday.

### December

- 9 - James Charles, John Clement, Tiffany Davis, Bill Hunter, Debbie Malone, Betty Matthews, Steve McGuirt, Dell Nichols, Linda Yeager
- 10 - Fred Hilburn, Josh Huff, C.J. Rachal
- 11 - Rita Brossette, Fannie Cheek, Glenda Monroe
- 12 - DeAira Johnson, Kathy Wakefield
- 13 - Jerry Cleveland, Betty Pharis, Darise Ralston
- 14 - Robert Smith
- 15 - Marie Dunning, Jacquelyn Tullos
- 16 - Madison Book, Laura McKay
- 17 - Myrna Kinnison, Thomas Martin, Pam McGuirt, Donna Winegeart
- 18 - Kory Bryant, Maygen Jackson
- 19 - Neal Aycock, Taylor Strange
- 20 - Kimberly Aguillard, Dean Carpenter, Daniel O'Reagan, Kennon Rostho, Noel Worsham
- 21 - Robin Jackson, Holly Malone, Bruce Perkins II
- 22 - Katie Kelley, Logan Stafford, Paul West, Ki Cha Yi
- 23 - Ben Cleveland, Tom Crichton, Eric Huff, John Wilks Jr.
- 24 - Laura Pharis, Elaine Ward
- 25 - Jacob Allen, Jackie Griffing
- 27 - Brenda Wagnon

### December

- 28 - Christy Anne Beall, Luana Cunningham, Wynn Doyle, Brandon Malone, Holly Mertens, Thomas Newman Jr.
  - 29 - Don Bates, Matt Clair, Judi Kent, Sharon Stedman
  - 30 - Traci O'Brien, Tom Pharis
  - 31 - Allison Cain, Jennifer Gallagher
- ### January
- 1 - Linda Canady, Emma Cavanaugh, Jade Ontimara, Gary Wilson
  - 2 - Ashley Guedry, Donald Roberts
  - 3 - David Culp
  - 4 - Parker Causey
  - 5 - Benjamin Cripps, Tammy Malone, Will Nixon III, Brenda Plauche
  - 6 - Davon Jenkins, Amela Nogic, Diane Tamburo
  - 7 - Laura Johnson, Henry Powell, Paula Rawson
  - 8 - Jason Gauthier, Emily Needham, Yvonne Sullivan, Kaylee Dodge
  - 9 - Charlie Weber
  - 10 - Jenny Corley, Jack Stevens, Sara Toal
  - 11 - Kathy Carpenter, Kaden Hogg, Lance LaGrange
  - 12 - George Hughes, Olivia LaBorde, Margaret Mertens, James Rachal

# Senior Adults

## Senior Adult Trips for 2020

- Monday– Tuesday, February 10-11 – Glen Miller Orchestra Concert in Jackson, Mississippi for 1 night. \$75 deposit due by Sunday, January 12.
- Thursday, March 26 – St. Francisville tour of homes. This will be a day trip.
- Saturday, April 18 – Angola Prison Rodeo. This will be a day trip. \$25 deposit due by Sunday, February 2.
- Tuesday – Saturday, April 21-25 – Jubilee Sr Adult Conference in Branson, MO. There will be singing, laughing, and preaching with America’s top gospel artists and preachers. This trip will be 4 nights. \$100 deposit is due by Sunday, February 2.
- Thursday, May 28 – Dinner at Tunk’s.
- Monday – Wednesday, September 21-23– Crystal Springs Bridges Museum of Art in Bentonville, AR. This trip will be 2 nights.
- Monday – Tuesday, October 26-27 – Swamp tour and tour of South Louisiana Missions in Houma, LA. This trip will be 1 night.
- Monday – Wednesday, November 9-11 – NASA and Moody Gardens in Galveston, TX. This trip will be 2 nights.
- Thursday, December 3 – Tour of Christmas lights and dinner in Marshall, TX. This will be a day trip.

## Trip Reservation Slip

Name \_\_\_\_\_ 2020

Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_ February 10, Glenn Miller, Jackson, MS
- \_\_\_ March 26, St Francisville tour of homes
- \_\_\_ April 18, Angola Rodeo
- \_\_\_ April 21-25, Jubilee Sr Adult Conference, Branson, MO
- \_\_\_ May 28, Tunk’s
- \_\_\_ September 21-23 Bentonville, AR
- \_\_\_ October 26-27 Swamp Tour and Missions, Houma
- \_\_\_ November 9-11 Galveston, TX
- \_\_\_ December 3 Marshall, TX



Several of our trips require an early deposit to enable us to acquire tickets. Please get these deposits to Cynthia Woodward by the date given. Above you will find a **trip reservation slip**. Please check the trips that you can make and return the slip to Cynthia. If you have any questions, please call Cynthia Woodward at 641-9152.



## Joy Club Christmas Party Thursday, December 19

Our Christmas party will be at Lennie Westbrook’s home at 11:30 A.M. Her address is 447 Janet Drive, Pineville. We will have a covered dish luncheon with the meat provided. Please RSVP to Lennie at 619-9044.

# CHURCH-WIDE

My husband, sister, and I want to thank you for opening your church for the “Coping with Grief” seminar. We all came away with helpful advice, and a sense of peace. We appreciate the hospitality and the nice meal. God bless you all.

Sincerely,  
Craig and Tammie Newton and Sharon Humphries

My Sweet Friends of Pineville First Baptist Church,  
God bless all of you. I ask His blessing and love. I pray God guides each of you for His service in gaining souls for Him.

God Bless,  
Eula McDuffie

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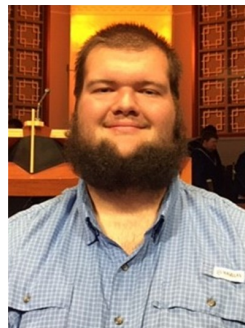
*PostScripts*



Welcome to our  
newest members!



Abigail Horton



Conlan Hogan

Happy  
Anniversary

Congratulations to Kevin Boles  
on his 2 year staff anniversary!



### Visit the Church Library!

Are you a reader of historical fiction? Your church library has many books that tell stories of the past including books by Gilbert Morrie, Janet Oke, and Tracie Peterson. Come by and check one out. The library hours are from 8:00 - 9:00 A.M. on Sunday.



The church office will be closed the week of Christmas Monday - Friday, December 23 - 27. For the week of New Years, the office will close at noon on Tuesday, December 31 and be closed all day Wednesday, January 1.

If you have information to include in *Postscripts* or the weekly worship guide, please email the information to Lori Pruitt at [lpruitt@fbcpineville.net](mailto:lpruitt@fbcpineville.net) or contact the church office at 448-8221.