



# Buechel Park Baptist Church

*We are an inclusive community of faith  
rooted in the love of Jesus Christ  
growing, serving, and transforming lives.*

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**December 9, 2018**

*Second Sunday of Advent*

## The Worship of God

Choral Introit                      *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*                      Chancel Choir  
Joseph M. Martin

Welcome and Passing of the Peace    David Lindsay  
The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Prelude                                      *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*                      Shelley Shumate  
Albin Whitworth

*During the prelude, you are invited to make the transition from getting here to being here.  
Use this time to prepare for worship, and allow the Spirit to refresh you.*

Call to Worship                                      John 1:1-5                                      Virginia Mudd

In the beginning was the Word,  
**and the Word was with God,**  
and the Word was God.  
**He was in the beginning with God.**  
All things came into being through him,  
**and without him not one thing came into being.**  
What has come into being in him was life,  
**and the life was the light of all people.**  
The light shines in the darkness,  
**and the darkness did not overcome it.**

\*Hymn of Praise                      *View the Present Through the Promise*                      Number 99  
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Handbells

*Good Christian Friends, Rejoice  
'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime*  
Douglas E. Wanger

Handbell Choir

Lighting of the Candle

*Come, Child of Light*  
Lloyd Larson

Chancel Choir  
with Sara Turpin, flute

*Come, O Child of Peace, we pray, enter our hearts and show us Your way.  
Promise of God, heaven's pure light, peace for our world shining bright!*

Candle lighter: Shlonda Davis

Prayers of the People

Erica Whitaker

Prayers of Confession

**Refining God, you have sent us the prophets  
and we have not listened.  
We have not always determined what is best  
or made way for your reign  
in our lives, our church, and our society.  
Forgive us, we pray, and renew your covenant within us,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.**

Declaration of Forgiveness

Friends, I am confident of this:  
If we repent, God is sure to forgive us.  
The One who began a work in us will bring it to completion.  
Grateful for the promise of joy and of peace,  
let us share that peace with one another.

\*Hymn of Prayer

*Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*  
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Number 139

\*Offertory Prayer

(Please stand, if able, for the offertory prayer)

Jim Carter

Offertory

*Light a Candle*  
Andy Beck

Tom White

\*Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures here below.  
Praise God, above ye heavenly host.  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Children's Moment

Sara Turpin

*Children's Church is offered today for children ages 4–3rd grade.*

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 42:1-9

José Albovias

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

This is the Word of our Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

*Being Light to the Nations*

Erica Whitaker

Anthem

*Advent Longing*  
Joseph M. Martin

Chancel Choir

*Light the advent candles, gather 'round the flame.  
Warm your heart with promise, let your spirit live again.  
One by one they flicker, dancing in the night,  
Chasing every shadow, 'til the coming of the light.  
The hope of heaven, for peace on earth; the gift of love,*

*Great joy of all the world; our hearts are yearning for your returning;  
Come now Messiah, set us free. Veni, veni, come now Messiah set us free.*

*Savior of the nations, come! Virgin's Son, here make Your home!  
Marvel now, O heav'n and earth, that the Lord chose such a birth.  
Make us Lord, Your candles, blaze in every heart.  
Burn away the doubt, and kindle hope in every part.  
Make us Lord, Your people, burning with Your light,  
shining in the shadows like a beacon in the night.  
Come set us free.*

\*Choral Benediction and Blessing

Erica Whitaker

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*  
HOUSTON

*I want to walk as a Child of the Light: I want to follow Jesus.  
God set the stars to give light to the world; the start of my life is Jesus.  
In Him there is no darkness at all; the night and the day are both a like.  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God; shine in my heart Lord Jesus.*

Postlude

*Each Winter As the Year Grows Older*  
Annabeth Gay

Tom White



# Prayers of the People

## Church Members

Hermania Bates  
Carol Brown  
David and Shirley Brown  
Dakota DeMatteo  
Randy Gibson  
Naomi Grivil  
Judy Jackman  
Bobbie Sparks

## Friends and Family

Jim Carlson, Michael Hite's friend  
Dan Clarke, Sara Turpin's father  
Anthony Draper, Judy Jackman's son  
Bud Draper, Judy Jackman's grandson  
Naomi Hambrugy, Judy Jackman's cousin  
Mary Hopper, Michael Hite's friend  
Ann Lozar, Ruth Sergent's sister  
Eric Murphy, Mike Murphy's cousin  
Sharon Perkins, Nancye Thomas' friend  
Axie Reasor, Susan Rohleder's cousin  
Delcina Todd, Judy Jackman's niece  
Harold Wahking, Sarah Condron's brother

Oujda Parish,  
Our Morocco Partner Church

## Deceased

Thomissa Hazlett  
Wava Mullins  
Bill Edwards, Helen Edwards' husband

# Announcements

## Today:

Children's Choir & Handbells, 11:45 am-12:15 pm  
Steering Council meeting, 2 pm  
Property meeting, 3 pm  
Sacred Sundays @ Krazy Dave's, 6 pm

## **Jingle & Mingle Extravaganza | 5:00 pm, Sunday, Dec. 16**

Mingling, Entertainment by Grace Notes and Dinner

MENU: Ham, turkey, and drinks are provided by the church. Members are asked to sign up outside the church office to bring a dish. Contributions will be collected to help defray costs. **Today is the last day to RSVP!** Individuals, small groups, couples, sign up outside the church office. Table reservations are available by contacting Sara Buckner.

## **Coming up on Wednesday Evenings**

5:30 pm, Prayer, Potluck Dinner and . . .

Dec. 12 - Christmas Caroling (Choir will practice at 7 pm)

Dec. 19 - at Buechel United Methodist Church

6 pm, dinner followed by 7 pm worship with both choirs

## **Youth Christmas Party, Dec. 21**

RSVP to Pastor Sara, so she'll know if you will be attending the party, that begins at 6:00 pm in the Youth Suite.

## **Churchwide Winter Retreat: Living Mindfully in a Maddening World**

**Saturday, January 19, Mt. St. Francis, IN**

Sign up by January 6. \$15 per person (all ages), includes lunch and transportation to and from BPBC.

## **Eat, Pray, Share - January Bible Studies**

Sign up to participate in small groups for a meal, a time of prayer and sharing life and faith together. Opportunities to gather include:

- 6 pm, Sundays @ Krazy Dave's,
- 5 and 6 pm, Wednesdays @ BPBC
- Noon, Thursdays @ BPBC.

Would you be interested in hosting another night in your home?

# This Week at Buechel Park

## Today - 9

Sunday School/Bible Study 9:30 am  
 Morning Worship 10:45 am  
 Children's Choir &  
     Handbells 11:45 am-12:15 pm  
 Ray of Hope International  
     Worship 12:30-5:00 pm  
 Steering Council meeting 2:00 pm  
 Property meeting 3:00 pm  
 Sacred Sundays at  
     Krazy Dave's 6:00 pm

## Monday - 10

Gym Walking 9:00 am  
 Parents Day Out 9:30 am  
 Senior Nutrition Program 9:30 am  
 Senior Fitness 10:00 am  
 Threads and Things 2:00 pm

## Tuesday - 11

Senior Nutrition Program 9:30 am  
 Karate 7:00 pm  
 AA & Al-Anon 8:00 pm

## Wednesday - 12

Gym Walking 9:00 am  
 Parents Day Out 9:30 am  
 Senior Nutrition Program 9:30 am  
 Senior Fitness 10:00 am  
 Potluck Dinner then  
     Christmas Caroling 5:30 pm  
 Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm

## Thursday - 13

Senior Nutrition Program 9:30 am  
 Brown Bag Lunch 11:30 am  
 Bible Study Noon  
 YMCA Basketball 5:30-8:30 pm

## Thursday - 13 (cont.)

SAFY Dinner 6:00 pm  
 Karate 7:00 pm

## Friday - 14

Senior Nutrition Program 9:30 am

## Saturday - 15

YMCA Basketball 8:00 am-5:00 pm

### SERVANTS IN ACTION

#### **Deacons for December:**

Joyce Bell, Jim Carter, John Condron,  
 Tom Rohleder

#### **Bus Drivers:**

Bill Grady (today)  
 David Beverly (Dec. 16)

#### **Nursery:**

Sara Buckner  
     & Janice Hedgespeth (today)  
 Laura Albovias (Dec. 16)

#### **Children's Church:**

Lisa Grady & Josie Padilla (today)  
 Devon Conley & Ann Jones (Dec. 16)

### FOR THE RECORD Financial Report

Monthly Giving Needed	\$29,303
November 2018 Giving	\$25,051
Year-to-Date Giving	\$63,157

#### **Attendance - Dec. 2, 2018**

Sunday School: 53  
 Worship: 146

# Welcome to Buechel Park Baptist Church

## How to Join our Church

If you wish to join this congregation, simply come forward during the Hymn of Response and speak to our pastor about your decision. Or you also may also talk to any ministerial staff member or church member after the service. We receive members by profession of faith and baptism, transfer of letter, statement, or watchcare.

## Children

Nursery is provided for ages 3 and younger. Ages 4 - 3rd grade join us for worship, but are often dismissed after the Children's Moment for Children's Church. Worship resources are available in the narthex.

## For more information

For more information about our church, please visit the narthex in the back of the sanctuary or you may speak with any of our ministers or members after worship. Find us online at [www.bpbaptist.org](http://www.bpbaptist.org) and like us on Facebook.

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## Buechel Park Baptist Church

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### Ministry Staff

#### Rev. Erica Whitaker

Senior Pastor  
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#### Rev. Sara Turpin

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#### Shelley Shumate

Organist

#### Tom White

Pianist

Church Office Hours:	Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am-Noon & 1:00-5:00 pm Friday: 9:00 am-Noon
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