

10 a.m. Sunday, December 24, 2023

NOTES

Parents

Children will be dismissed to their class this morning partway through the service. Parents & toddlers, there is a room upstairs with speakers and a sightline to the auditorium. It is available for you to use.

Offering

We pass the offering bags around on Sunday mornings both as a reminder for supporters of this church to give regularly and to be thankful for those who do. If you are a visitor with us this morning, please do not feel obligated to give.

PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Matt Dressler

Lead Pastor—Midtown Church

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Rev. Darryn Botha


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 Midtown Guest / Password MTC-2020

Welcome!



Message: "Joy To The World"

Pastor Darryn Botha

Fourth Advent: Peace—The Angel Candle

The angels announced the good news of a Saviour!

"...I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord." *Luke 2:10b-11*

God sent his only Son to earth to save us, because he loves us!

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him." *John 3:16-17*



ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEA & COFFEE

Please stay for tea & coffee and fellowship after the service.



CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

4:00 pm—Today!
Sunday, Dec. 24

We invite you to return in the afternoon for our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 4:00 p.m.



2024 CHURCH DIRECTORIES

Please talk to an usher to pick up your copy of our 2nd and final Addendum to our 2024 Church Photo Directory. If you don't have a directory and/or you missed getting the 1st Addendum, please see an usher. We have copies for each family.

*"Connecting the unconnected to Jesus
Christ and together becoming
fully devoted to Him"*



PRAYER & PRAISE

BCBA CHURCH OF THE WEEK

Bethany Baptist Church, in Richmond

Pastor Rob Inrig (Transitional Pastor)

Christine Pfortmueller (Executive Director)

Pastor Joe Kung (Director Adult & Chinese Min.)

Kathy Holmes (Director of Children's Ministries)

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Shan Reed, In Japan

Shan has served as a long-term missionary in Japan since 2001.

Her ministry includes a Gospel choir that she is a member of, English classes she leads, the Bible studies she teaches, and working with the women of the Japan Baptist Conference. Pray for the whole NAB missionary team in Japan as they transition to ministry without the Ewings.



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

MTC Approved Budget for 2023 \$299,350

MTC Donations to date \$187,793

MVC Donations to end of Nov. 2023 \$ 84,353

We will continue to process offerings to Midtown and Mountain View separately until the end of 2023. Receipts will be also be issued separately (Feb. 2024).

Beginning January 1, 2024, we will be receiving offerings together under 'Midtown Church'. After your first donation, an offering number will be assigned to you for bookkeeping purposes.

Giving can be done in three ways:

1. **Cheques or Cash** in an offering envelope
2. **Interac e-Transfers** through your online banking account. E: theoffice@mymidtown.church.
3. **Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)**. See Mandy for details, or check out our website to download the form. Go to www.mymidtown.church and click on the 'Giving' tab.