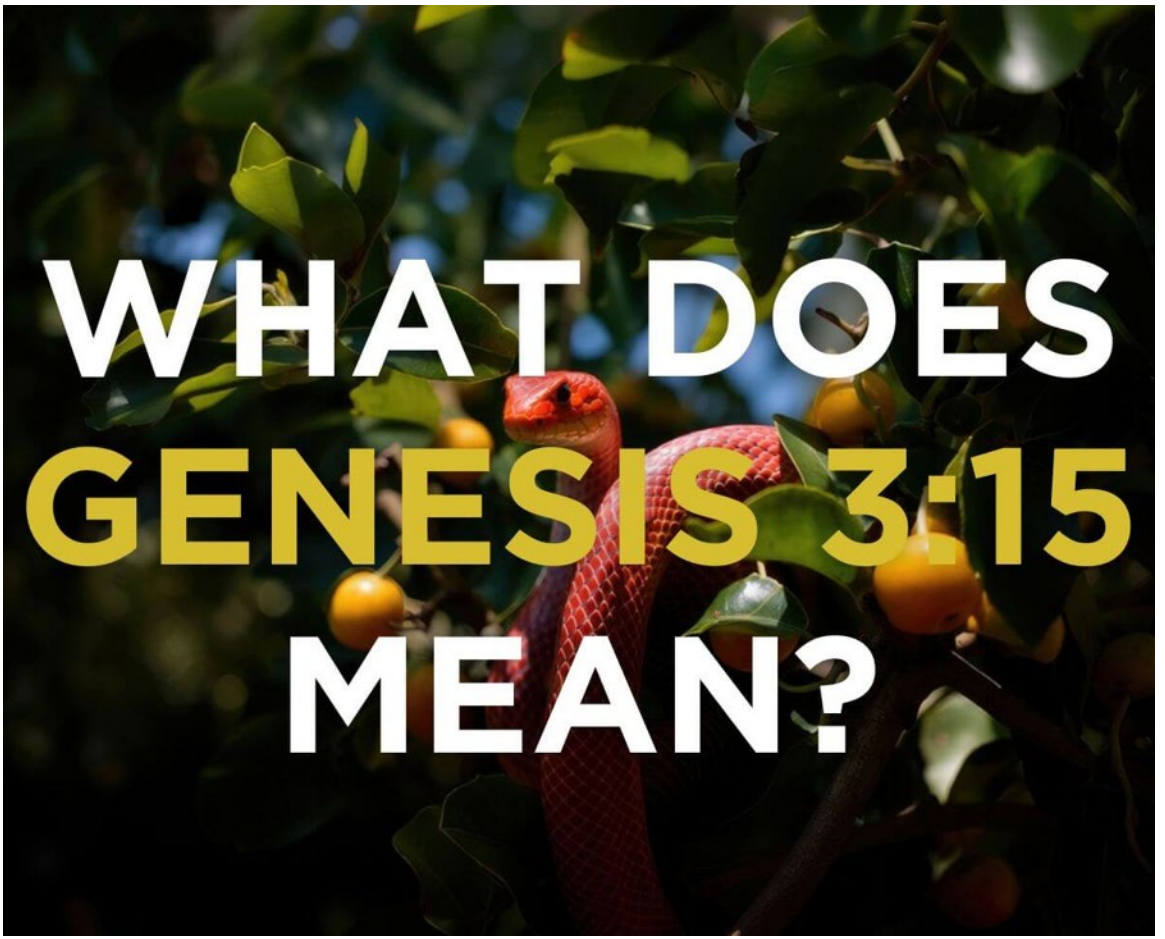
First Sunday of ADVENT



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Order of Service

November 29, 2026 - 10am

PRELUDE *Christ Is Coming Soon*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING SONG *O Come, Let Us Adore Him (softly)*

LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE: Ed Tribe & Evelyn Sklair
("O Come, Let Us Adore Him")

HYMN #244 *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*

PRAYER OF ADORATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Mighty and powerful God, your word says, "Rejoice always." Yet we often sulk and despair about the things that don't go right. Your word says, "Pray without ceasing." Yet, too often we go through our day without a heavenward thought. Your word says, "Give thanks in all circumstances." Yet we fail to count our blessings. Holy God, as we draw near to the coming of your Son, shed his glory and radiance to transform our lives to be like Christ. In whose name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *from 1 Timothy and 1 Peter*
This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance.
That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

The Lord himself bore our sins in his body on the cross**.**
He did this so that we might die to sin and live for righteousness.

Friends, trusting in the promises of God believe the good news**:**
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** ***Titus 1 & 2 (Selected Verses)

***GLORIA PATRI & THE APOSTLES' CREED**

PRAISE TEAM *How Majestic Is Your Name*

PRAISE, SHARING & INTERCESSORY PRAYER

***OFFERING AND DOXOLOGY**

HYMN #255 *Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ***Genesis 2 & 3 (Selected Verses)***

ADVENT PREACHING SERIES - *Rev. Dr. Charles J. Wiggins*

SEEING CHRISTMAS CLEARLY
1. *THROUGH REVERSE BINOCULARS*

HYMN #648 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

BENEDICTION, CIRCLE OF BLESSING

POSTLUDE *Awake! Awake, And Greet the New Morn*

HOLIDAY CANDLELIGHT CLASSICAL

Two performances on Wednesday, December 16, 2026 from 6-7pm and from 8-9pm at BRPC. SOLAS (an outside group) presents an enchanting evening of festive favorites performed live by a string quartet! You can reserve tickets at: US.SOLASPRESENTS.COM/EVENTS/SOLASUS/2449613

WELCOME TO THE SEASON OF ADVENT

A hearty welcome to all as we enter the Advent Season which is the four Sundays prior to Christmas. In these weeks believers contemplate God's promise of the Messiah's birth. Advent is a time when Christians are reminded that of Jesus' second coming, this time in the clouds of glory (Revelations 1:7).

BIBLE STUDY RESUMES THIS THURSDAY!

After our Thanksgiving hiatus our Bible Study in the Book of Acts resumes this this Thursday at 10:30am. We take a close look at Priscilla and Aquila--the New Testament's first "Ministry Couple" mentioned in the New Testament. Join us as we dig deep into Acts 18 and discover more about this amazing couple!

A WORD ABOUT OUR CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING

It has been the practice of BRPC each year to designate our Christmas Joy Offering to a missionary cause—be it nearby or worldwide—which has a pressing need. Session has designated this year's Christmas Offering to cover a financial shortfall. This is mainly due the interior damage of July 25-26 as well as a lightning strike on the church this past summer. More details will be forth coming.

MARINE TOYS FOR TOTS

Thank you for your support for the Marine Toys for Tots this Christmas season. Please place your unwrapped toys for infants to teenagers in the boxes under the nametags. The deadline is today.