



Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church

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Senior Pastor
Worship Leader
Minister of Youth
Minister of Children & Families
Pianist
Drummer
Administrative Assistant

Sunday, December 24 2023

This Week's Opportunities

December 24th

Sunday School – 9AM Celebration Worship—10AM

December 25th

MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!

>>>NO Men's Bible Study<<<

December 27th

>>>NO Services or Rehearsals<<<

December 28th

Food Pantry—9AM-11AM

Our Deacons

Adam Davis, Randall Greene, Patrick Guerriero

Barry Hughes, Bobby Jones, Joe Kendrick, Britt McSwain

Marty Thomas & Carey Youngblood

Deacon of the Week— Carey Youngblood – (704) 692-1009



*If it is your first visit here or if you
are a returning visitor, please
know that we are here for you!
Please fill out a visitor's card and
place it in the offering plate.*

******Visitors are always welcome at
Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church******



Enter to Worship

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT: LOVE

Welcome, Announcements, Scripture & Prayer		Pastor Derek Greene
Call to Worship	<i>Isaiah 43:1-7</i>	
Praise Song	<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i> <i>Hymn #89</i>	Praise Choir
Praise Song	<i>Good Christian Men, Rejoice</i> <i>Hymn #96</i>	Praise Choir
Praise Song	<i>Joy to the World! The Lord is Come</i> <i>Hymn #87</i>	Praise Choir
Scripture Reading/ Offertory Prayer	<i>Isaiah 43:19-21</i>	Mr. Carey Youngblood
Offertory	<i>The First Nowell</i>	Ms. Caroline Greene
Special Music	<i>Heaven Rejoices</i> <i>**Dismissal to Children's Church**</i>	Praise Choir
Sermon	<i>"That It Might Be Fulfilled"</i> <i>Isaiah 52:1-10</i>	Pastor Derek Greene
Invitation	<i>Infant Holy, Infant Lowly</i> <i>Hymn #106</i>	Praise Team
Benediction		

Depart to Serve

Today's Scripture

Isaiah 52:1-10 (KJV)

¹ Awake, awake; put on thy strength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city: for henceforth there shall no more come into thee the uncircumcised and the unclean.

² Shake thyself from the dust; arise, and sit down, O Jerusalem: loose thyself from the bands of thy neck, O captive daughter of Zion.

³ For thus saith the LORD, Ye have sold yourselves for nought; and ye shall be redeemed without money.

⁴ For thus saith the Lord GOD, My people went down aforetime into Egypt to sojourn there; and the Assyrian oppressed them without cause.

⁵ Now therefore, what have I here, saith the LORD, that my people is taken away for nought? they that rule over them make them to howl, saith the LORD; and my name continually every day is blasphemed.

⁶ Therefore my people shall know my name: therefore they shall know in that day that I am he that doth speak: behold, it is I.

⁷ How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!

⁸ Thy watchmen shall lift up the voice; with the voice together shall they sing: for they shall see eye to eye, when the LORD shall bring again Zion.

⁹ Break forth into joy, sing together, ye waste places of Jerusalem: for the LORD hath comforted his people, he hath redeemed Jerusalem.

¹⁰ The LORD hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

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This year's Christmas Mission Offering Goal = \$5,000.00

It will be divided between:

- Lottie Moon Offering (*the International Mission Board*)
- Chispas for Change (*Estuardo & Callie López*)
- Commission to Every Nation (*LynnAnn Murphy*)
- Zion Life Changing Ministries (*Pastor James in Africa*)
- Zona Juvenil (*Mark Wakefield*)

>>>As of 12/20/2023, PRBC Christmas Offering = \$5,010.00.<<<



PRAY FOR THESE DAILY

Armed Forces	Veterans	Our Nation
President & Government Officials	Ukraine	Firefighters
Police Officers	Our Church	Our Pastor
Our Deacons	Medical Assistants	First Responders
Doctors & Nurses	School Systems	Missionaries

REMEMBER OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Delle Triplett	Dr. Patricia Sparti	Daisy Ramsey
Lorraine Sims	Betty Daves	Joe Ward
Helen Beaver	Ann Bridges	Glenda Greene
Jim Roemer	Don Blanton	Linda Wilson
Billy F. Humphries	Brenda Humphries	Faye Crowe
Peggy Jean Rhyne	Charles Vassey	Murphy Ruppe
Alice Kale	Amy Kendrick	

REMEMBER OUR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS

Becky Bostic	Allison Roemer	Jimmy Whisnant
Joel Poteat	Matt Welch	Dr. Eric Johnson
Phillis White	Jason Patterson	Dr. Don Caudill
Dylan McSwain	Anita Ledford	Alice Ward
Dustin Holmes	Carol Rohrbacher	Vera Gettys
JoAnn Weaver	Vernie Jones (<i>Chip Jones' mom</i>)	Jennifer Crawley
Jesse Powers	Carolyn Lewis (<i>Betty Watts' mom</i>)	Maggie Shull
Alyssa Wilkie	The Family of Dr. Diane Sykes	Sandra Bailey

If you will make sure to look over the Prayer Request list and update the office of any changes/removal/adds. You can leave a phone message or send an email, 24 hours a day. We do not always know the folks so please help and keep us updated. Thanks!



*“God is our refuge and strength,
an ever-present help in trouble.”*

Psalm 46: 1



Dec 24th: Kaitlyn Moss & Lizzie Guffey
 Dec 31st: Patrick & Dede Guerriero

Dec 24th ~ Julia Hughes
 Dec 31st ~ Kaitlyn Moss



December

24th Tena Murray
 24th Norma Mott
 26th Michael Wallace
 26th Ann McSwain
 26th Donita Vassey
 27th Mischa Barrett

December Stewardship

DECEMBER 1 ST THROUGH DEC. 21 ST	\$ 27,264.00
MONTHLY AMOUNT REQUIRED TO MEET BUDGET	\$ 26,388.06
MONTH-TO-DATE VARIANCE	\$ 875.94
YEAR-TO-DATE TITHES	\$ 98,461.25
YEAR-TO-DATE TITHES REQUIRED TO MEET BUDGET (4)	\$ 105,552.24
YEAR-TO-DATE VARIANCE	\$ (7,090.99)
WEEKLY TITHES REQUIRED TO MEET BUDGET	\$ 6,089.55

This year's **Christmas Post Office** will remain open for another week until Sunday, December 31st. It is not too late to send your cards. The cost for each card will be 25 cents. We are so grateful to all who participated. Proceeds will benefit the Children's Ministry.



- **WED Jan 3rd** – Community Service of Prayer & Praise @ 6:30PM
- **SUN Jan 28th** – Winter Jam, Tickets \$15/each

****Check your bulletin or call Church Office for more details!****

Winter Jam

Sunday evening **January 28th**

Spectacular music & worship

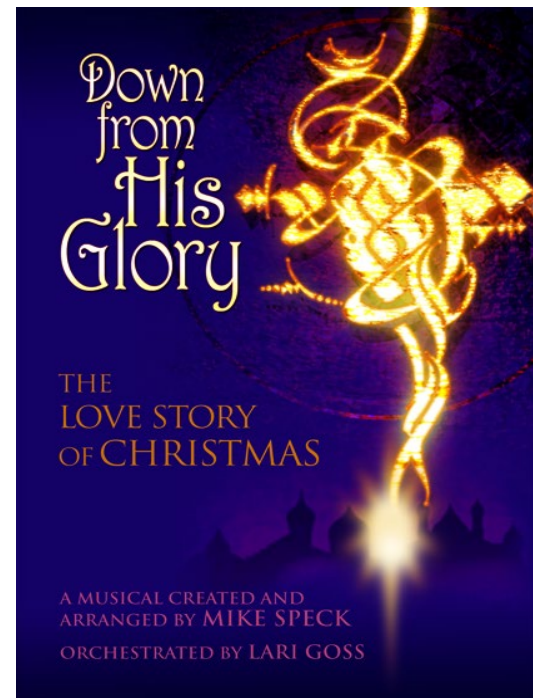
Tickets are \$15 each

Please pay by January 10th

Sign up on the bulletin board to attend.

We want to recognize the dazzling display of talent by our **Christmas Cantata Choir**, under the brilliant direction of Dr. Patricia Sparti. "*Down From His Glory*": THE LOVE STORY OF CHRISTMAS along with the other musical selections proved how excellent and moving music can be when it offers praise to our Lord Jesus Christ. Truly, we believe it was a sweet, sweet sound to His ear!

Thanks to all who worked so hard and contributed to make the **2023 Christmas Cantata** such a blessing!!!



*It's Christmas,
Eve!*



FOR UNTO YOU
IS BORN THIS DAY
IN THE CITY OF DAVID
A SAVIOR, WHO IS
CHRIST THE LORD.

LUKE 2:11



Merry

Christmas

to all of you.