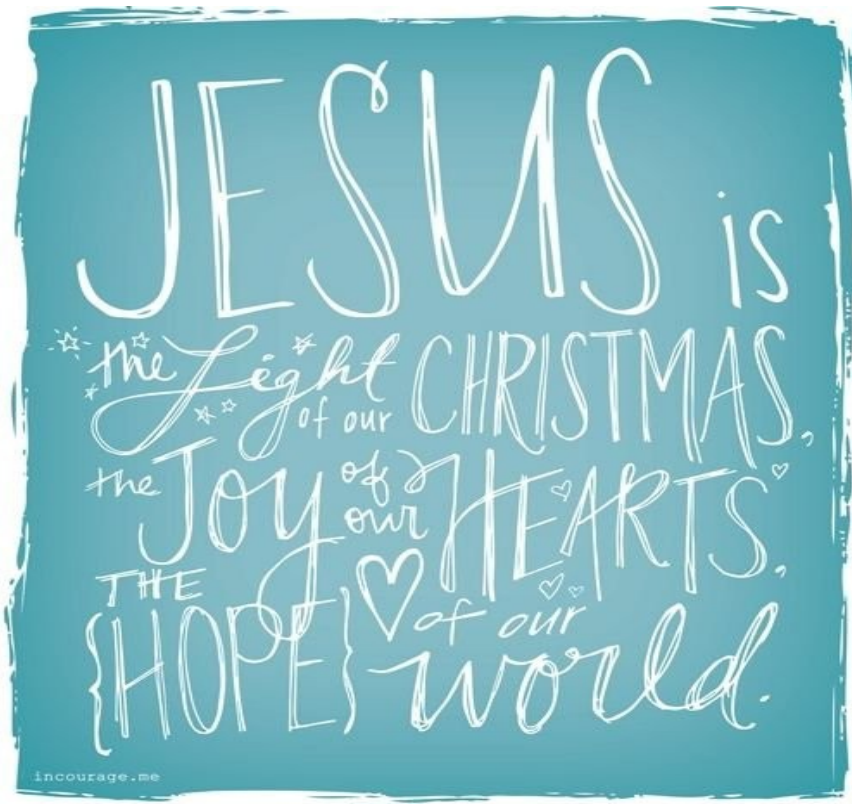




Join us tonight for a special evening service as we celebrate Christ's birth as a Church Family. Following the service we will have a fellowship. Please contribute with finger foods or desserts. Please see Mrs. Sellars if you have any questions!!



DECEMBER:

**THE TRUTH MATTERS...
ABOUT LAST THINGS!**

6th—Secret Sister Revealing

17th— Jan 2— Christmas Break

25th— Christmas Day

30th- 5th Sunday Sing

**AND YE SHALL KNOW THE TRUTH, AND
THE TRUTH SHALL MAKE YOU FREE.**

JOHN 8: 32



Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ within me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ at my right, Christ at my left . . .” These hymn lyrics, written by the fifth-century Celtic Christian St. Patrick, echo in my mind when I read Matthew’s account of Jesus’ birth. They feel like a warm embrace, reminding me that I’m never alone.

Matthew’s account tells us that God dwelling with His people is at the heart of Christmas. Quoting Isaiah’s prophecy of a child who would be called Immanuel, meaning “God with us” (Isa. 7:14), Matthew points to the ultimate fulfillment of that prophecy—Jesus, the One born by the power of the Holy Spirit to be God with us. This truth is so central that Matthew begins and ends his gospel with it, concluding with Jesus’s words to His disciples: “and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.” (Matt. 28:20). St. Patrick’s lyrics remind me that Christ is with believers always through His Spirit living within. When I’m nervous or afraid, I can hold fast to His promises that He will never leave me. When I can’t fall asleep, I can ask Him to give me His peace. When I’m celebrating and filled with joy, I can thank Him for His gracious work in my life.
Jesus, Immanuel—God with us.

**FATHER GOD, THANK YOU FOR SENDING YOUR
SON TO BE GOD WITH US. MAY WE
EXPERIENCE YOUR PRESENCE THIS DAY.**

God’s Love became Incarnate at Bethlehem.

NATE AND CHRISTY MINION MISSIONARIES TO CANADA



God has called the Minions "To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God." Would you prayerfully consider helping them reach the people of Labrador with the Gospel? They are excited to see how the Lord will use them to take the light to Labrador!



NOTES



FAITH
BAPTIST CHURCH

“...the end of your search for a friendly church.”

Sunday School– 10:00am
 Sunday Morning Service– 11:00am
 Sunday Evening– 6:00pm
 Wednesday Evening– 7:00pm

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2018



NOW ALL THIS WAS DONE, THAT IT MIGHT
BE FULFILLED WHICH WAS SPOKEN OF THE
LORD BY THE PROPHET, SAYING, BEHOLD,
A VIRGIN SHALL BE WITH CHILD, AND
SHALL BRING FORTH A SON, AND THEY
SHALL CALL HIS NAME EMMANUEL, WHICH
BEING INTERPRETED IS, GOD WITH US.

MATTHEW 1: 22-23