

My decision today

- I prayed to receive Jesus Christ as my Savior
- I want to be baptized
- I want to grow as Christ's disciple
- Other

I'm interested in

- Knowing how to receive Christ as Savior
- Knowing how to grow as Christ's disciple
- Joining a small group
- Helping with the Music Ministry
- Helping with the Children & Youth Ministries
- Other

**(NO) HOME FOR CHRIST(MAS)
(Christmas in a Strange Land #1)**

"Behold, I send my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way, the voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'" Mark 1:2-3 (cf. Isaiah 40:3)

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins. Isaiah 40:1-2

Read Luke 1:5-10. Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation (or, comfort, cf. Isaiah 40:1-2) of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. Luke 2:25

And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem. Luke 2:37b-38 (cf. 24:21; Isaiah 52:9)

How are we in exile?

How should we mourn?

Jesus said, "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted." Matthew 5:4

And the Word became flesh and dwelt (set up a tent) among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. John 1:14

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place (tent) of God is with man. He will dwell (set up a tent) with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. Revelation 21:3

NEXT STEPS: Read through the texts in the outline aloud . . . slowly. Spend some time thinking about the questions of exile and how to mourn. Share with another about whether you think exile is an appropriate way to think of God's people in relation to the present culture. Suggest ways to mourn personally. With others. Decide on a way you will mourn this week. Pray together. To prepare for worship next week please read 2 Thessalonians 1:5-2:17.



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Randall Jaspers, Lead Pastor
Kalen Heller, Pastor of Community Life

To **worship** God, help people **know** Jesus Christ personally, **grow** to be like Him, **show** His love and **go** where He leads... **together**.

today at *tbc*

Worship

- Worship through Singing
- Worship through Prayer
(Children, ages 3 years-Gr.5, dismissed for Christmas Program practice)
- Message: **(NO) HOME FOR CHRIST(MAS)**
- Music Ministry
- Worship through Giving
- Closing Prayer

Room 303 is designated for prayer. People are available to listen and pray. Please fill out the Response Form and place it in the offering plate. Supervised nursery (Ages 0-2) provided during Sunday school and Worship.

Nursery Workers

Today: Kathleen H., Dan T., Annika T.

this week

- Tuesday 6:30 pm Ladies' Bible Study Fellowship
- Wednesday 6:30 pm *Great Adventure* (K-Grade 5)
- 6:30 pm Youth Group (Grades 6-12)
- 7:00 pm TBC Prayer Meeting
- Saturday 6:30 am *DAWG Pound*
- 8am-1pm CEF Pancake Fundraiser Breakfast
- Next Sun 9:00 am **Children's Christmas Program Practice**
- 9:20 am Congregational Meeting (Elections & Budget)
- 10:30 am Worship, Sharing the Lord's Supper
- Noon TCX Fundraiser Luncheon
- 7:30 pm Two Rivers Choir, *Presbyterian Church*

coming events

- Dec 7 6:30 pm Great Adventure Super Hero Graduation
- Dec 11 9-10:15 am Life Group Leader training session

Musical numbers are needed for our **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service** at 5:00 pm on Dec 24th. If you are willing to participate, please contact the church office (or use the Response Form) **by Sunday, December 11.**

Please visit jamestowntbc.org and click on "About TBC," then on "TBC Reports" to view a report on the **Uganda Famine Relief!** Printed copies are also available at the Welcome Center.

praise & prayer

Around TBC

- ◆ **Health concerns:** Diana Gray, Ruth Jenner, Beth Ann Kramlich, Jacqueline Pfeiffer, Paul Tahrán, Kathy Aldinger
- ◆ **Youth Director**
- ◆ **TBC College Students** Mary Joy, Savannah Kramlich, & Shaina Schulte (U.J.)
- ◆ **Elders**
- *Budgets
- *God's direction for leaders

Around the NAB Conference



Laci & Eszter Daroczi-Csuhai, Hungary

Laci teaches advanced Community Health Evangelism to CHE leaders and workers in Hungarian-speaking areas. Eszter

specializes in holistic outreach and discipleship ministries with poor women and children in Gypsy communities. **Pray** for their continued work in Hungary.

Isabel Baptist Church - Isabel, SD

Pastor Jamie Hamblet

Ft. Richmond Baptist Church- Winnipeg, MB

Pastor Jim Mathew

Around the World

***Bahrain** - 84% Muslim; 8% Christian

The government officially recognizes several Christian denominations. However, distribution of anything criticizing Islam and the conversion of Muslims is forbidden; those who do are punished with imprisonment or beatings.

***Conflicts and Needs: North Korea, South Sudan, Iraq, Syria, Ukraine, Yemen, Libya, Uganda/Kenya (famine)**

Family Christmas Caroling

Meet at TBC at **3:30 pm** on **Sunday, December 18.** Please bring a **kettle of soup to share** after caroling. (TBC will provide hot beverages and bread.) Following the meal, the adults will share in a White Elephant gift exchange.

Please share any unspoken needs or prayer requests with Pastor Kalen or Pastor Randy. They are available for you to contact and are willing to connect with you.

Our Daily Bread devotionals (Dec-Feb) are available at the Welcome Center. Please consider a \$1 donation.

GIVING REPORT

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| YTD Budget | \$409,819.67 |
| Benevolent Fund | \$593.00 |
| NAB Missions | \$740.00 |
| Down Home | \$737.25 |
| Building | \$21,900.00 |
| YTD General Fund | \$362,377.62 |

Automatic Withdrawal forms are available at the Welcome Center

response form

Date _____ Your age group 18-23 24-29 30s 40s 50s 60s 70s 80+ _____

PLEASE PRINT _____ (If A Student) Your Current School Grade _____

Name _____ Are You: Single Married _____

Address _____ Names of children living at home & birth dates: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

Home Phone (____) _____

Cell Phone (____) _____

Is this your... 1st time? 2nd time? 3rd time? _____

Mr. | Mrs. | Miss. | Ms New Address New Email Address

I am: Attendee Member Visitor

I came as a guest of: _____