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# Welcome to Inter-City Baptist Church

Thank you for being here with us today for our service. Our prayer is that you will be encouraged as we worship and fellowship together. If you are our guest, thank you for coming! We have information about our church we would like you to have, and you can get it at our information center or from a greeter before the service. We look forward to meeting you.

## Morning Worship Service

December 17, 2017

### Scripture Meditation

Matthew 1:20-23

### Welcome

### Congregational Songs

No. 194, "Joy to the World"

No. 224, "The Birthday of a King"

### Choir

"All Is Well"

### Congregational Songs

No. 223, "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne"

### Scripture Reading

Hebrews 1

### Prayer

### Offertory

"The First Noel"

### Congregational Song

"Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery"

### Sermon

### Closing Song

"Behold Our God"

# Announcements

Tonight is our Christmas Concert, "God with Us," at 6:00 p.m. Plan to be here and to welcome everyone, and especially anyone who looks unfamiliar! Also feel free to pick up some **invitations** at the information center. Let's invite as many people as we can!

**Giving envelopes for 2018** are available in the atrium this morning. Be sure to pick up your box. If you don't have 2018 giving envelopes and would like some, please call the church office (313.928.5222).

The **quarterly prayer booklet** has been updated and is available at the information center. Be sure to pick up a copy today so that we can be praying together for our ministries, members, and missionaries.

We encourage every member of Inter-City to join us **on December 31 - January 7** for our annual Prayer Week. Events include morning and noon prayer meetings each weekday, a Concert of Prayer on Wednesday, January 3, at 7:00 p.m., and a church-wide dinner and an afternoon praise service on January 7.

We ask that you **please sign up and pay** for the church-wide dinner at the table next to the info center located in the atrium. Each family is asked to bring a salad (potato, leafy, jello, or fruit) OR a dessert. The cost is \$2 for children (K-6th), \$3 for adults, and preschoolers are free, with a maximum of \$12 per household. **Please have your payment ready when you sign up.**

Pick up a copy of ***Rescuing Christmas, a gospel booklet, for \$2 at the information center today only.*** It's a great Christmas gift for a loved-one who needs Christ!

We will be taking new pictures for the **church pictorial directory** for several weeks, beginning January 14. If you have not had your picture taken yet, or if you would like it updated, please plan to have your picture

taken. Sign-up sheets with available times are at the information center.

Grab some invitations from the information center for our next, ladies' outreach event (**Girl's Gameshow Night**) and men's outreach event (**Strikes and Steaks**) both scheduled for February.

Congratulations to **Chris and Hannah Armstrong** following the birth of their daughter, Joanna Faith, on Friday, Dec. 15. Joanna weighed 6 lbs, 11 oz, and was 20 ¼ inches long. Pray for the Armstrongs as they adjust to being a family of 5.

## Looking Ahead Calendar

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| Tonight        | Christmas Concert, 6:00 p.m.  |
| December 22    | ICBS: Christmas vacation begins, 11:30 a.m.   |
| December 25    | Christmas Day: church, school, and seminary offices closed  |
| Dec 31 – Jan 7 | Prayer Week<br>6:30 a.m. morning prayer meetings (T-F)<br>9:00 a.m. prayer service on Monday<br>12:00 p.m. noon prayer meetings (T-F) |
| January 1      | New Year's Day: church, school, and seminary offices closed   |
| January 3      | Concert of Prayer, 7:00 p.m.  |
| January 7      | Church wide dinner<br>Praise Service, 1:15 p.m.   |
| January 9      | Women of the Word   |
| January 20     | Men's Personal Holiness Meeting, 6:30 a.m.  |
| January 21     | JH and SH Singspirations  |
| January 22     | DBTS: Classes Resume  |

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