

Order of Service

December 13, 2009

PRELUDE:

CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

(Please sign the attendance register – then pass it to the center aisle.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETINGS

ADVENT SERVICE

CAROL: *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

CHORUS: *We All Bow Down*

CAROL: *Joy to the World*

CAROL: *How Great Our Joy*



Children 4 years through grade 5 may now go to Vanator Hall for Children's Church.

PRAYER, OFFERING, OFFERTORY:

SHARING OF PRAISES AND PRAYER REQUESTS

PASTORAL PRAYER

VOCAL SOLO *Thou Art Worthy/The Old Rugged Cross* Max Slabaugh

SCRIPTURE Luke 1:26-56

MESSAGE "Joy In Jesus"

Pastor David L. Stone

CAROL: *Have You Any Room for Jesus?*

POSTLUDE

BENEDICTION

WORSHIP LEADER: Gary Weller

LEAD SINGER: Jill Stone with Dennis Bowers, Beth Schlabach, Katie Stone, Elizabeth Bryant and Ciara Bernatt

GUITAR: David Stone, Michael Stone **BASS:** Grant Showalter

GUITAR AND DULCIMER: Jennifer Showalter

DRUMS: Eric Barker **ORGAN:** Carolyn Solomon **PIANO:** Melinda Bowers

KEYBOARD: Mary Louise Robbins



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Sarasota First Brethren Church is a body of believers,
committed to Christ, loving and serving God, each other, our community and world.

NURSERY HELPER TODAY: Millie Murphy
Next week: Billie Barth
 For infants and children up to 4 years of age

TODAY:
8:30 a.m. – Coffee Fellowship.
9:00 a.m. – Sunday School for all.
10:00 a.m. – Worship service.
5:00 – 6:30 p.m. – Youth.

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Meetings this week:
TUES. 10:00 – Grief Support small group.
WED. 10:00 – Joyful Sonshine group meets at the Cottage – then out to lunch together.
SAT. 8:00 a.m. – Brethren Men Bible study.

Remember in Prayer	
Praise Leslie Myers no cancer!	Amos Weber
Healing Sherm Nyfeller – Low blood pressure & blood sugar. Mike Bridgford – Depression Carolyn Bridgford - Health Kristee Shay – Broken arm Joyce Elliott—Arm broken in fall Jean Haynes—Heart aneurism Chaplain Beekley—Heart and kidney David Musgrove—Pancreatic infection	Guidance Jan’s son, Erik Joshua Valente Jessica Hobbs—Salvation Kim Woodruff
Cancer Cory Shaw – Grandson of June Shaw Kathy Troyer Kathy Bowers’ Aunt Gwen Ed Baldwin Danny White	Other Misty’s (Deanna Devine’s daughter) grandmother is terminally ill. Nancy, Tim, Sara – David Berman killed David, nephew of Bill Stufflebeam, shipped out to Afghanistan. Jobs for those who need them Jim Evans – Testing for kidney 12/21 Church’s outreach, growth & ministry Government, economy Military—Active and retired

SEE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS! Pastor Stone invites you to see the Christmas lights by boat. Tours are Friday and Saturday at 6:00, 7:00, and 8:00 p.m. Sign up today then meet at Bay Island Park (west side of the Siesta Drive bridge).

Sign up for Growth Groups! Five growth groups will begin the first full week of January (starting Wednesday, January 6) and run for thirteen weeks. We have groups that meet Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. If you think you already indicated you will be staying with your previous group, please check that your name is already on the sheet.

CONGRATULATIONS to Peggy Rich and John Pitcock who are engaged to be married December 31, 2009.

Stewardship for the week of December 6, 2009					
Attendance		General Fund		Fund Totals	
Sun.School	40	Needed	\$2,763.37	General	\$5,628.75
Worship	96	Total	\$5,558.75	Min/Service	\$500.00
Men	7	Over	\$2,795.38	Missions	\$83.00
Youth	7+4	Other	\$70.00	Peru	\$5.00
				Poinsettias	\$74.25
				Taxes	\$5,000.00
				Youth	\$51.00
				TOTAL	\$11,342.00

NONPERISHABLE FOOD FOR THE FOOD BANK is still being collected in the barrel in Vanator Hall. Sixty-nine pounds were delivered to the food bank this past week.

DECEMBER 20 – The Ministry of Hospitality is sponsoring an all-church Christmas carry-in following the morning worship service. Meat and beverage will be furnished. Bring your favorite Christmas dish or more to share.

A Sunday school teacher asked her class of kindergartners to draw pictures of the manger scene at Bethlehem. The children quickly and eagerly began to color. The teacher walked around the room observing each picture in progress. She was puzzled by something she saw in one little boy’s picture. In one of its corners was a very plump, jolly-looking fellow. “Bobby, who’s this person?” she asked, pointing to the portly character. “Why, that’s Round John Virgin!” Bobby replied.



Poinsettias. Today is the last day to order to decorate the sanctuary for Christmas. You may order plants in memory or honor of loved ones, to celebrate a special day, or just to help decorate. We ask you to leave them until after the Christmas Eve service. Only those paid for will be ordered. Each plant is \$8.25. If paying by check mark, “poinsettia” on the memo line. If paying by cash, please use one of the “welcome” envelopes in the back of the pew and mark it “poinsettia.” Fill in below, tear off and place in the offering plate.

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 \_\_\_\_\_ Number of plants @ \$8.25  
 Ordered by \_\_\_\_\_  
 In honor of \_\_\_\_\_  
 In memory of \_\_\_\_\_