December 28, 2025 8:45 AM Traditional Worship Service

Prelude How Majestic is Your Name, arr. Tornquist - Rena Myers

Welcome and Prayer

Call to Worship His Name Medley Choir

Greeting

Songs

Come, Thou Almighty King

God, Our Father, We Adore Thee

Like a River Glorious

No. 247

No. 248

No. 58

Receive Tithes and Offering

Blessed Assurance with No Other Name, arr. Tornquist -Rena Myers

Sermon Pastor Jon Reed "A New Year's Goal" Luke 2:41-51

Invitation

I'd Rather Have Jesus No. 550

Benediction/Postlude

11:00 AM Livestream and In-Person Worship Service

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God so Loved King of Kings Lord I Need You

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Song

Great Are You Lord

Communication Column

When I was growing up my grandmother had a Christmas tree that had row after row of very similar ornaments. Many of them were small houses or churches or trees. It was a beautiful tree but one in which the ornaments were very similar. The tree that we have in our house is overflowing with ornaments and most of them are nothing alike. They are all different, but they all come together to create a good Christmas tree. We have coffee cups, pictures, snowmen, small houses, snowflakes, and Christmas balls. All different but they all come together in a great way. When I was staring at the tree the other night it occurred to me that this is how the church is supposed to be, a group of people, all very different, coming together to represent Jesus, to encourage one another, and to be a lighthouse in the community (and beyond).

We attended the Tusculum community band concert the other night and after the concert Ronnie Hensley said, "that is what a church is supposed to look like, all of us very different, with different gifts and talents coming together and using them for the glory of God." I thought about that a lot on the way home, and all I could say was he is 100% correct.

During the youth and children's Christmas party as we played games, I thought all of these children and youth have different backgrounds, they are different heights, different ages, and some of them go to different schools, yet here they are having fun together, and laughing and supporting each other. Once again it was a picture of the church.

Tusculum Baptist is made up of different people. We have different backgrounds, different jobs, are from different places, and we have different gifts and talents, but we come together each Sunday to worship Jesus and to glorify Him. Then we go out each week living our lives while we let our lights shine and point people to Jesus. We come together on Wednesday nights to pray for one another and on Sunday mornings (among other times) to encourage one another and to weep and rejoice with one another. That is what a church is supposed to be. My family is extremely thankful to be a part of Tusculum Baptist and to be able to serve together as we go into 2026. My prayer is that this year we will rejoice together, weep together, encourage one another, grow closer to Jesus together, worship together, and let our lights shine together for the glory of God. Let us love God and love people together and let us live every day for the glory of the Father.

Happy New Year,

Pastor Jon

Nursery Helpers Today:



10 AM – Pam Stapleton, Jennifer Chambless 11 AM – Bettsy Long, Eoin Kotynski

<u>Upcoming Student Events</u>

Sunday School (For All Ages) 10 AM.

<u>Team Kid</u> Sunday 11:20 AM For children 3 yr. old - 5th grade in the CFC(gym). This is each Sunday Morning.

Reminder: Wednesday, December 31st- No Youth and Children Meetings.

2026 JANUARY YOUTH SCHEDULE

<u>Children</u> Wednesday, 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM, 3 yr. old - 5th grade. January 7th, 14th and 21st meet upstairs in the room across from 3rd - 5th grade room. The children will be continuing the "*Good News*" curriculum.

<u>Youth</u> Wednesday 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM, January 7th, 14th and 21st. 6th - 12th grade meet in the Gym. The youth will be doing some Bible Studies in the Book of James.

<u>Youth Winter Retreat</u> February 6th - 8th for youth 6th - 12th grade. We will be staying in cabins in Wears Valley (Sevierville, TN). The cost is \$60 per youth. **The deadline to sign up is Wednesday, January 21st.** There will be bible studies, food, fellowship, and we will be going to Winter Jam. There are packets of information with more details

<u>Parent/Youth Meeting</u> Wednesday, January 21st (after Youth Meeting) in the Gym for those going on the Youth Winter trip.

Upcoming Summer Events for Children and Youth

May 31st - June 4: Vacation Bible School

June 22nd-**27**^{th:} World Changers, Boone, NC for Youth (6th – 12th grade).

July 6th **-10**th: Centrikid Camp, Tusculum University, for children (2nd-5th grade).



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Calendar Week of December 28, 2025

Sunday 8:45 AM Traditional Worship Service

10:00 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Contemporary Worship Service

(Live Stream or any time after Go to

www.tusculumbaptist.org)

Tuesday 8:00 AM Men's Coffee

Wednesday New Year's Eve - No services

Thursday Happy New Year

Prayer for God's Leading at TBC

Yes! Our prayer gathering is continuing Sundays at 9:45 a.m. in the library (after the 1st Worship service and before SS starts). The 12:15 PM location is in the Fellowship Hall after the 11:00 AM worship service ends. Everyone is invited to join in as we gather to pray focused on God's leading in His Church at TBC.

Women on Mission (WOM):

Each Christmas season Southern Baptists focus on International Missions. Please continue to pray for International Missions, we will collect for the Lotte Moon Christmas offering through Epiphany Sunday, January 4, 2026. Prayer guides and giving envelopes are on the front and back tables in the sanctuary. The church goal for the offering is \$3,000; we have received \$1,491.00 to date.

Our next gathering will be January 12, 2026, at 11:30 AM. We will be planning for 2026. All men and women are invited to join us.



<u>Year-End Giving</u> In order to get credit for 2025 giving, cash/check donations should be turned into the church by noon on Monday, December 29th.

Men's Coffee Fellowship Tuesday, 8:00 AM at Chick-Fil-A.

New Year's Eve No Wednesday services on December 31st.

<u>Women's Coffee & Conversation</u> Resumes Tuesday, January $6^{\rm th}$ at $10:30~{\rm AM}$ at Starbucks inside Ingles. Contact Lisa Mullins with any questions.

Nursery Ministry Volunteers The nursery is a wonderful benefit to our members and visitors. With our growth in numbers and need, we need to be able to staff the nursery for our weekly services. As you can imagine this requires many volunteers. If anyone would be able to serve one hour a month of their time to care for our littles, please reach out to Ashley Jonson or contact the church office at 423-638-8361 or email office@tusculumbaptist.org.

<u>Winter schedule changes/alerts</u> See below to sign up for TBC TEXT ALERTS which includes weather related updates! Call the church office 423-638-8361 or email <u>office@tusculumbaptist.org</u> if you need additional assistance!

Online Giving In case you didn't know, we offer online giving through Tithe.ly. You can scan the QR code that takes you directly to our Tithe.ly page, or you can go to our website www.tusculumbaptist.org and click on GIVE button at the top right.



Wavs to Get Connected!

If you are a first-time visitor, please fill out a communication card (in back of pews or on clipboard in overflow) and place it in the offering plate.

Facebook: Tusculum Baptist Church
Instagram: tusculumbaptist
Website/Prayer Requests: www.tusculumbaptist.org
Email: office@tusculumbaptist.org



Sign up for TBC Alerts

Text "updates" to 833-230-9468 or scan the QR code and send the prompted message.

Offerings December 21, 2025:

Offerings Needed - \$5,766.03 Offerings Received - \$9955.00 Weekly Average Offerings - \$6044.16



Love. Grow. Serve.

The Bible tells us "to do all things for the glory of God", let's make that our focus as we move into 2026, as people, as families, and as a church.

Church Staff

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