

## The Risen King

Matthew 27:62-28:15

### No Confusion – No Uncertainty (27:57-66)

Matthew goes out of his way to eliminate any possibility of a mistaken identity, swoon theory, or 'spiritual' resurrection.

The Roman \_\_\_\_\_

The \_\_\_\_\_ Women

Jesus was **observed dead, handled dead, certified dead, sealed dead, and guarded dead.**

### Creation Testifies to the Resurrection (28:1-4)

Throughout Scripture, \_\_\_\_\_ signal moments when God's presence breaks into human history.

By placing one at the resurrection, Matthew identifies this moment as a decisive act of \_\_\_\_\_ within the unfolding story of redemption.

### Heaven Explains the Resurrection (28:5-7)

God does not leave the meaning of the resurrection to human imagination.

He sends an \_\_\_\_\_ to ...

Identify the \_\_\_\_\_

"I know that you seek Jesus."

Interpret the \_\_\_\_\_  
"...who was crucified."

Declare the \_\_\_\_\_

"He is not here, for He has risen, as He said."

Issue a \_\_\_\_\_  
"Come, see... then go quickly and tell."

### Some Respond Rightly to the Resurrection (28:8-10)

Matthew tells us that the women left the tomb "with fear and great joy."

Fear because ...

Joy because ...

### Some Suppress the Truth of the Resurrection (28:11-15)

Matthew shows something astonishing and deeply ironic. The very men who called Jesus "that deceiver" (27:63) become the deceivers.

Unbelief is not primarily \_\_\_\_\_.

It is \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ does not create faith when the heart refuses the truth.

### What the Resurrection Demands of Us All

**He Is Risen — Therefore \_\_\_\_\_**

"He is not here, for He has risen, as He said."

**Go and Tell — Therefore \_\_\_\_\_**

"Go quickly and tell His disciples" (v. 7).

**You Will See Him — Therefore \_\_\_\_\_**

"Behold, He is going before you... there you will see Him" (v. 7).

The risen King still calls for faith, obedience, and hope.

He is risen.

Now go and tell.

The day is coming when you will see Him.

## Sunday, December 14

### 10am Worship

Scripture Reading & Prayer ..... Reagan Farris

Advent Week 3 - Joy  
Isaiah 9:2-7

*<sup>2</sup> The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone. <sup>3</sup> You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil. <sup>4</sup> For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. <sup>5</sup> For every boot of the tramping warrior in battle tumult and every garment rolled in blood will be burned as fuel for the fire. <sup>6</sup> For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. <sup>7</sup> Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.*

*Joy To The World (Joyful Joyful)*

*Come Thou Long Expected Jesus*

Offering

*When We Behold*

Scripture Reading & Lord's Supper ..... Paul Thompson

Galatians 1:3-5

*<sup>3</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>4</sup> who gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, <sup>5</sup> to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.*

*We Receive*

Message ..... Paul Thompson

*The Risen King*

Matthew 27:62-28:15

*It Was Finished Upon That Cross*

Benediction ..... Tommy Perry

Romans 15:13

*<sup>13</sup> May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.*

### 5pm Worship

Welcome ..... Stephanie Tankersley

Scripture ..... John 1:1-5; John 1:14

*In the Beginning* ..... Children's Choir

John 1:9-12

Scripture ..... Luke 1:46-49

*Just As He Promised* ..... Children's Choir

Scripture ..... Luke 2:7

*Newborn King* ..... Children's Choir

Scripture ..... Luke 2:8-14

*Glory to God in the Highest* ..... Children's Choir

Scripture ..... Matthew 2:1-2

*Adore Him* ..... Children's Choir

Message ..... Josh Robertson

*The Greatest Gift In History*  
Galatians 4:1-7

### Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions

Calvary's Goal: \$150,000

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering supports and enables IMB missionaries to live among the lost and share the gospel. 100% of your gifts to this offering enable gospel transformation among the unreached all around the world.

I WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT:

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My Decision Today:

I trusted Jesus as Savior.

I'd like to join Calvary Baptist Church.

I believe God is calling me into ministry/mission.

Please have a pastor or elder contact me.

If you would like to speak with someone about one of the items noted above, please visit the Next Steps Kiosk before you leave today.

### PRAYER REQUESTS:

Pastors & Prayer Team Only

Churchwide

### 2025 Contributions

Contributions for 2025 must be turned in to the Sunday offering by December 28, brought to the church office by December 30, or postmarked by December 31. The church office will be closed December 31.

### In the Word with Jen Wilkin

March 13-14, 2026 | Gardendale, AL | 60 spots available

Jen will be teaching on the Lord's Prayer and worship will be led by Sandra McCracken. Enjoy time away with your sisters in Christ and walk away with a deeper theology of prayer and practical tools to transform not just how you pray - but why you pray. Grab a friend, sister, or daughter and make plans to come with us!

Details and registration at [calvarydothan.com](http://calvarydothan.com).

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## Connect Card

December 14, 2025

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Please update my information  
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I am a:

First Time Guest  Attender  
 Member

Name

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City

State/Zip

Male  Female

Married  Single

Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Spouse

Spouse's Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)

Children:

Name / Date of Birth

Please complete the additional information on the back of this tab, if applicable.

## December 14, 2025

### December Missions Spotlight

#### Northeastern Baptist College (Bennington, VT)

Northeastern seeks to impact the Northeast, the United States, and the world by training students to have the mind of a scholar, the heart of a shepherd, and the perseverance of a soldier through the provision of a college education with a biblical foundation and a distinctive blend of academic excellence and practical mentoring. NEBC provides an academically strong, biblically sound, and practically relevant college education from its campus strategically located in the Northeast. To learn more about the ministry work of NEBC, visit [nebcvt.org](http://nebcvt.org). Also, if you would like to know how to pray for NEBC, pick up a prayer card at the missions kiosk in the Fellowship Center foyer.

#### The Ark (Local Mission Partner)

The Ark is a place of hope, healing, and help. Their mission is to nurture the total needs of humanity--mind, body, and soul. They are committed to guiding individuals so that they can discover their God-given purpose and live it out. If you would like to learn more about the ministry work at The Ark, you can visit [thearkdothan.org](http://thearkdothan.org) or [facebook.com/thearkdothan/](http://facebook.com/thearkdothan/). Prayer needs for The Ark can be found on prayer cards at the missions kiosk in the Fellowship Center foyer.

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### THE PEOPLE CAME...

December 7

Life Group: 478  
10:00 Worship: 628  
5:00 Worship: 126  
Hispanic Church: 113  
Neighborhood Church (NY): 25

### THE PEOPLE GAVE...

General Fund

Given December 7: \$59,963.33  
Given Y-T-D Surplus (Deficit):  
(\$244,699.00) as of 11/30/25  
Lottie Moon Y-T-D: \$7,087.00

### BIBLE READING PLAN

December 14-20

○ Obad-Jonah 3, Rev 8  
○ Jonah 4-Micah 2, Rev 9  
○ Micah 3, Rev 10  
○ Micah 4-5, Rev 11  
○ Micah 6-7, Rev 12  
○ Nah-Hab 2, Rev 13-14

### Sunday Schedule

8:30am Life Groups & Open Classes  
10:00am Worship, Fellowship Center  
Kid's Worship, Grades 1-5,  
Chapel (except 1st Sunday)  
5:00pm Family Worship, Sanctuary  
Childcare for Babies-K3

### STAFF ON CALL

Sunday, December 14:  
Reagan Farris | 504-319-6986  
Saturday, December 20:  
Joyce Alexander | 334-798-4791  
Sunday, December 21:  
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### SERMON SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 21

10am

*This Is Love*  
1 John 4:9-10, 11-12  
Message by Paul Thompson

5pm

*The Story of Christmas*  
Calvary Choir Cantata

### Wednesday Schedule

6:00pm Open Classes, D-Groups, & ESL  
Classes  
Birth-K5, Preschool Bldg  
Grades 1-5, Chapel  
Grades 6-12, Student Room  
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

### I'm New Here

We're so glad you've joined us for worship today and would love to be able to share more with you about our church.



To fill out a digital Connect Card or learn more about Calvary, please use your smartphone camera to scan the QR Code or you can fill out the Connect Card in this bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

Also, be sure to stop by our Next Steps table in the foyer after the service for a gift from us!

### How to Become a Christian

Want more information about how to become a Christian? Go to [calvarydothan.com/how-to-become-a-christian/](http://calvarydothan.com/how-to-become-a-christian/).

If you would like to view a pdf of today's AM sermon notes, go to [calvarydothan.com/messages](http://calvarydothan.com/messages).

### Ministry Staff

Paul Thompson ..... Senior Pastor  
Charles Uptain ..... Executive Pastor  
Dan Tankersley ..... Discipleship Pastor  
Steven Wilson ..... Interim Worship  
Tommy Perry ..... Missions

Joyce Alexander ..... Preschool  
Josh Robertson ..... Children  
Stephanie Tankersley ..... Children's Worship  
Reagan Farris ..... Students  
Randy Hunt ..... Senior Adults  
Zach Daniels ..... Resident Church Planter

### Lay Elders

Jed Downs  
Dave Lindey

Don Mills  
Sam Tarwater

Ian Worrell

*"Fear not, I am the first and the last,  
and the living one. I died, and behold  
I am alive forevermore ..."*

- Revelation 1:17-18



**WELCOME TO**  
**Calvary**  
BAPTIST CHURCH