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 Rev. Terry Richey Associate Pastor
 Dr. Paul McLendon Interim Administrator
 Rev. Randy Grim Minister of Music
 Josh Karl Student & College Pastor
 Erica Holloway Minister to Children & Families
 Rev. Bill Taylor Asst. Minister of Music
 Mark Roberts Contemporary Worship Leader
 Denise Marsh Financial Manager
 Debbie Rice Children's Music Coordinator
 Missy Powell Pianist

Activities Center 342-5375
 Colleen Smith ... Recreation/Activities Coordinator
 Enrique Castillo Recreation Ministry Assistant
 Ashley Johnson Upward Sports Director

**Weekday Preschool Education Office
 342-6044**

In case of emergency over the weekend,
 you may reach the minister on call
 at 342-5320.

**SUNDAYS: NOVEMBER 21, NOVEMBER 28, AND DECEMBER 5
 BEFORE AND AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL
 AND FOLLOWING THE 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE.**

This Is Christmas
TICKETS FOR MEMBERS

WEDNESDAYS: DECEMBER 1 & 8 AT 5:15 P.M. – 6:15 P.M. DINING HALL.

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A worshipping family of believers in Jesus Christ committed to understanding, living and sharing His message of hope for all people.

WONDER

As children we had a sense of wonder. Our eyes were wide open and drinking in the fascinating gifts we beheld... Our thirsty souls could not have enough of the wonders of creation.

Then, somehow, we grew too old to dream, too mature to be amazed, too sophisticated to ask the why questions.

The natural gift of wonder God gave us as children was meant to be kept alive.... Instead we let wonder go to sleep. We entered the grey maturity of adulthood. It doesn't have to be that way.

Jesus says to us today, 'Stay awake!'... Advent says, 'Wake up and realize the gifts of love and life you have received.'

Let go... wake up... rekindle that beautiful gift of wonder this season. Experience the beauty of Christmas through the eyes of a child. Read the Gospel of Luke and imagine it as more than a nice, neat nativity scene but as the beginning of a redemptive explosion from God. Ask God to help you have the faith of a child.

Looking forward to Sunday! Advent 2 - Terry

Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoever welcomes a little child like this in my name welcomes me."
 Matthew 18:2-5, NIV



Join us next Sunday, December 12 during the Traditional Service at 11:00 a.m. for The St. Paul's Episcopal School Chamber Singers

The St. Paul's Episcopal School Chamber Singers is a choir comprised of upper school students from St. Paul's Episcopal School in Mobile, Alabama, USA. Under the direction of Jody and Missy Powell, this group performs choral literature of many different periods and styles. In addition to providing anthems for monthly Eucharistic services at St. Paul's Episcopal Church and performing concerts at school, this group is also known to appear in such venues as Carnegie Hall in New York, The National Cathedral in Washington D.C., the keynote performing group for the Alabama Music Educators Association In-Service Conference, the American Choral Directors Association state invitational program, twice in the London International Choral Festival in London, England. On their most recent international trip to Italy they performed in the Church of Gesu-Frascati, Pompeii, San Sebastiani-Church of Peter and Paul. In Rome, Italy they performed Masses in Santa Maria dei Miracoli, The Papal Archbasilica of St. John Lateran, and for Pope Francis in St. Peter's Basilica, Vatican City.

The Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra of Spring Hill Baptist Church present

This Is Christmas

2021

FEATURING
ROMAN STREET

DECEMBER 11 - 4:00 P.M. & 7:00 P.M. DECEMBER 12 - 4:00 P.M.
 TICKET OFFICE OPEN : DEC. 3-10 WEEKDAYS 12 - 6 AND SATURDAY 9 - 3
 ONLINE AT SHBC.CC DEC. 2-8 & BY PHONE: 251-652-1037 DEC. 2-10

This Is Christmas

PARKING ATTENDANTS NEEDED

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP
 CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT
251-342-5320.

SHBC Student Ministry
CHRISTMAS COSTUME PARTY!!!

December 15th, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Come to the SHAC for a great time with some yummy food and lots of joy and laughter! We'll even play some Reindeer Games! Students, bring your favorite Christmas dessert!

SHBC CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Living Nativity

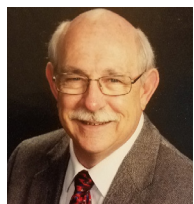
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5
 DURING SUNDAY SCHOOL
 9:45-10:45 A.M.**

Parents are welcome to visit and take pictures at the following times:
 9:00-9:30 or 10:45-11:00 a.m.

Here are the 17 Deacon nomination candidates. The vote will take place this Sunday, December 5th. Be sure to fill out the ballot that will be included in the Order of Worship on Sunday morning.



Gray Arnold



Jim Arnold



Dave Baker



Jonathan Cole



Norbert Eubanks



Corky Goldman



Wayne Johnson



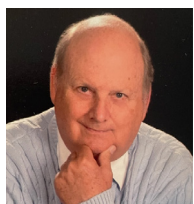
Michael Kennedy



Michael Knotts



Max Lee



Bob Mahan



Robert McGinley



Bill McGough



Michael McNair



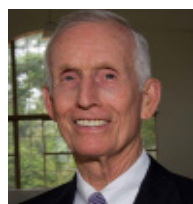
Bucky Thomas



Tommy Walton



Keith Wise



Billy Bedsole

In addition to the 17 Deacon nomination candidates, the Deacon Nomination Committee recommends Billy Bedsole as a Life Deacon at Spring Hill Baptist Church.



Sunday, December 5

5:30 p.m. in the Dining Hall

\$5 per person or family maximum of \$25

Visit shbc.cc/register to purchase tickets

Questions? Contact Erica Holloway, 251-342-5320 or eholloway@shbc.cc



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2021

Children's Ministry Families: It is a special tradition for Children's Ministry volunteers to pack a box of Christmas goodies to take home to their families. Please help us honor our Children's Ministry volunteers by dropping off your 2 dozen Christmas goodies prior to 9:30 a.m. in Room 203 on Sunday, December 12, or in the Ed Office on Friday, December 10. Homemade or store-bought is great!



2022 Parent Summit

Saturday, January 29
4:30 - 8:30 PM
SHBC Dining Hall

Spill the Beans:
5 Conversations You Must Have With Your Child

\$10 per couple (Chick-Fil-A dinner included)
FREE childcare provided for babies through completed 6th grade

Register online: www.shbc.cc/register

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose.

Romans 8:28



Join us
December 15, 2021
6:00 in the Dining Hall

Everyone Can Sing at Christmas
... and maybe even after!

Christmas music celebration with our children's choirs



For the past 25 years, Spring Hill Baptist Church has played a leading role in supporting the **Prison Fellowship Angel Tree** program that serves children in Mobile County who have a parent in prison. Along with the new, wrapped gift, the gospel is delivered through age specific books. These gifts are then delivered to the child's home.

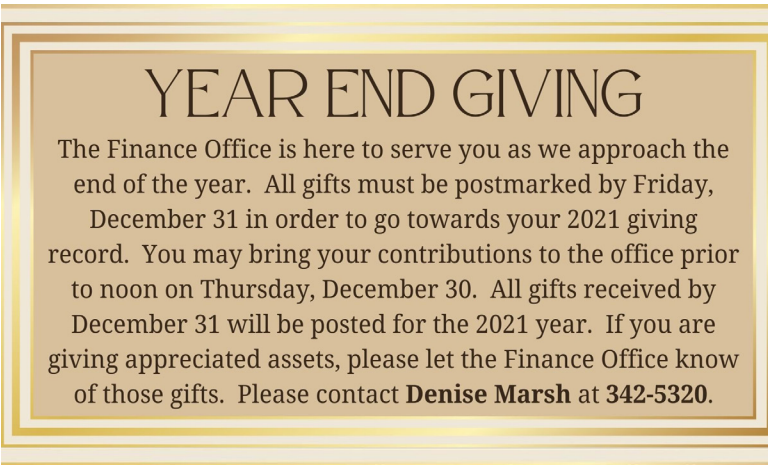
Those individuals wishing to participate can obtain a child's angel, which lists the child's name, age and gender, from the tree in the Activities Center. The Angels will be located on the Angel Tree beginning Sunday, November 21st. Then the volunteer may proceed in one of three ways:

- * A volunteer may choose to purchase and wrap a gift, attach the form and bring it to the **Activities Center before Wednesday, December 8, 2021**. Gifts will be grouped by neighborhoods and delivered before Christmas.
- * A volunteer may choose to donate cash or check (approx. \$25 per child) and we will purchase, wrap and deliver the gift to the child's home.
- * Volunteers wishing to help us wrap, sort and prepare the gifts for delivery may join us on Thursday, December 9, and Friday, December 10 starting at 10:00 a.m. each day in the Activities Center.

The overall goal of this program is to allow the Love of Christ to touch those children that have been touched by crime. Please join us in prayer that the Lord will allow this program to once again serve all these children with the faith, love and hope that only Christ can give.

If you would like for us to answer any questions, please call John at 251.680.4613.

In Christ's Service,
John & Dolores Eads, Mobile County Angel Tree Coordinators



YEAR END GIVING

The Finance Office is here to serve you as we approach the end of the year. All gifts must be postmarked by Friday, December 31 in order to go towards your 2021 giving record. You may bring your contributions to the office prior to noon on Thursday, December 30. All gifts received by December 31 will be posted for the 2021 year. If you are giving appreciated assets, please let the Finance Office know of those gifts. Please contact **Denise Marsh** at 342-5320.

THIS WEEK AT SPRING HILL

Sunday, December 5	
8:45 a.m.....	Contemporary Service
9:00 a.m.....	Living Nativity
9:45 a.m.....	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.....	Traditional Service
4:00 p.m.....	TIC Full Choir Rehearsal
5:30 p.m.....	Miss Patty Cake Concert
6:00 p.m.....	Spring Hill Singers
Monday, December 6	
9:00 a.m.....	Art on the Hill
1:00 p.m.....	Art on the Hill
5:30 p.m.....	Students: The Guild
Tuesday, December 7	
9:30 a.m.....	Prayer Shawl
1:30 p.m.....	Art on the Hill
Wednesday, December 8	
4:45 p.m.....	Wednesday Night Supper
5:30 p.m.....	Music and Missions
6:15 p.m.....	Students: The Workshop
6:15 p.m.....	Adult Bible Study
7:00 p.m.....	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, December 9	
7:00 p.m.....	TIC Choir/Orchestra Rehearsal
Friday, December 10	
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Giving Thanks
November 28, 2021

STEWARDSHIP

Forecast Weekly Needs.....	62,521.25
Received Sunday.....	53,792.03
Received to Date.....	2,584,770.60
Expenses to Date.....	2,532,760.68
Balance to Date.....	52,009.92

You may give online (shbc.cc), through our app (search *Spring Hill Baptist Mobile AL* in the app store) or mail a check. If you are mailing your gift our address is 2 South McGregor Avenue, 36608.

