

Sermon Notes:

The History of the Church

The founding members met to organize as a church on June 14, 1974 as a member of the Conservative Baptist Association of America. Official formation followed on July 15th and the first public worship service was held at Johnson's Barn, Rehoboth on July 21, 1974. The present facility was dedicated on April 17, 1983.

The Message of the Church

We proclaim the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, as the only way of salvation (Acts 4:12). All people have sinned and are under condemnation (Romans 3:23, 6:23). The GOOD NEWS is that God sent His Son to pay the penalty for sin on the cross and all who believe in Him, repent of their sins, seek forgiveness and receive Him as Savior and Lord receive the gift of eternal life (John 3:16).

The Purpose of the Church

To bring honor and glory to God in all that we do and say (Matthew 5:13-16, Colossians 3:17). To know and enjoy God through worship, prayer and the study of the Bible. To apply that knowledge to our lives that we might please God. To grow in His grace and communicate His love to others.

Church Membership

Rehoboth Baptist Church welcomes into its membership all who have been born again by the power of the Holy Spirit, have made a public profession of their faith in Christ, and have been baptized by immersion in obedience to the Scriptures (John 3:3-8, I Peter 1:18-23, Matthew 28:18-20).



Rehoboth Baptist Church

The Lord's Service



December 9, 2018

Welcome & Greeting

Announcements

Prelude

*Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn *O Little Town of Bethlehem* #95

Prayer of Confession (Cf. Psalm 25:11, 20)

[Silent confession]

For your name's sake, O Lord, pardon my guilt, for it is great. Oh, guard my soul, and deliver me! Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in you. Amen.

Forgiveness Declared: *The God of peace himself will sanctify you completely, and you will be blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it. (Cf. 1 Thess. 5:23-24)*

Special Music

David Littlehale

Advent Wreath

Insert

*Hymn *O Come, All Ye Faithful* #90

Pastoral Prayer

*Presentation of Offerings, Doxology & Prayer

*Scripture (Pew Bible, p. 1053) John 1:1-18

Sermon *The True Nature of God & Why it Matters*

*Hymn *Silent Night!* #89

*RBC Church Covenant Insert

*The Lord's Table

*Doxology *What Child is This?
Why lies He in such mean estate,
Where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christians, fear, for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading.*

(Doxology continues on the back)

* Please Stand

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*Nails, spear shall pierce Him through,
The cross be borne for me, for you.
Hail, hail the Word made flesh,
The Babe, the Son of Mary.*

***Benediction** (God's Promised Blessing) Ephesians 3:20–21

Postlude



Today's Information

Sunday School @ 9:00 AM

Nursery (infant to 3 yrs.)

Today: Emily Hess & Julie Rodrigues

Next week: Emily Hess & Karen Price

First Bible Lessons

Today: Diane Littlehale (T) & Steve Carlone (H)

Next week: Cindy Kitchen (T) & Sue Munroe (H)

Evening Service at 6:00 PM

Brian Hess 1 Thessalonians 5:12-28

This Week's Schedule

Tues.	7:00 PM	Elders & Deacons Meeting
Wed.	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
	8:10 PM	Choir

Advent Sermons

Jesus: The Only Way to Make Peace with God

12/16 *Who is Jesus & Why it Matters* (John 1:1–18)

12/23 *Our Willful Indifference & Our Redeemer* (John 1:1–18)

YTD Stewardship Report (Week 36)

Budget: \$121,874

Actual: \$117,910

Surplus/Deficit: **-\$3,964**

A Note About the Offering: Offering plates are on either side of the doors of the sanctuary for anyone wishing to give an offering. The plates will remain in the back for a short time after the close of the service.

Prayer, Memory & Meditations

Prayer Focus this Month:

Ministry: Outreach through Caroling and Christmas services

Mission: Danny Croce, New Hope Correctional Ministry
Plymouth County Correctional Facility

Scripture & Catechism Memory Work

First Bible Lessons:

James 1:17a

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above...

New City Catechism:

Romans 5:12

Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned—

Question 14

Did God create us unable to keep his law?

No, but because of the disobedience of Adam and Eve we are all born in sin and guilt, unable to keep God's law.

Ongoing Prayer Requests

Pray for the lost loved ones, neighbors, and coworkers. Pray that all of us would speak boldly and with respectful gentleness.

Pray for the Good News Club Thursdays at 4:00. Pray that changes at the Housing Authority will not disrupt our club.

Thought for the Week

"Prayer is like breathing."

John Onwuchekwa. Prayer

Notes and Announcements

Next Sunday, Soup & Sandwich Luncheon, following the Lord's Service, followed by caroling. Please sign up in the foyer for both caroling and the luncheon. No evening service.

Snow shoveling schedule is posted. Please sign up for a week if you are able.

Christmas Eve service, Dec. 24th at 6 PM.

Christmas morning worship, Dec. 25th at 8:30 AM.

New Year's Eve game night, Dec. 31st, 6 PM.

24 Hour Day of Prayer, New Year's Day, 12 AM to 11:59 PM.

January 1st, 24 Hour Day of Prayer sign up is posted. Sign up for a half-hour time slot, or more.

Information about a ladies' conference in March is available in the foyer.

Welcome,

We are glad you are here. Our Lord Jesus has called us to regularly assemble before him for his service. When I say, "his service," I mean this in two senses. He serves us, by graciously giving us the ability to trust him and to obey him, (more and more), through the service of his word (the Bible) and the Holy Spirit, whom he continues to pour out upon us. And we serve him in response: We gather each week to acknowledge him as our king and to willingly submit to his Word. We make it our aim to please him both here on Sunday and throughout the week when we are scattered at our various homes and work places.

It is our sweet duty as followers of Jesus Christ to formally unite together so that we can urge each other on to be more like him. We do this by showing up, by our prayers for one another, and by getting personally involved in each other's lives.

If you would like to find out more about what it means to know, follow and worship Jesus Christ, please talk to any of our members.

Pastor Steve Kitchen