SHILOH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH REDISCOVERING



CHRSTMAS

FINDING LOVE IN OUR DIFFERENCES

WORSHIP CELEBRATION DECEMBER 26, 2021 | 11:00 AM REVEREND UNDRA PARKER, PASTOR



Dear Church Family,

Christmas presents an exceptional opportunity each year for us to refocus. We are not only reminded of the overwhelming, world-altering, life-transforming gift that is Jesus, but we are reminded of our absolute need for Jesus to restore us in our relationship with the Father. That is genuinely why he came; to present us with the opportunity to live in peace with God. That's why Jesus announced to Zacchaeus, the tax collector, "the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost" (Luke 19:10). Not only that, but the angels declared triumphantly "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!" (Luke 2:14).

In preparing for this season, I am amazed at the abundance of Scriptures that speak of why Jesus came. I pray you take some personal and family time to journey through the Bible this Christmas season to see what God says about Jesus' coming. You cannot exhaust the Scriptures, but I pray you will see the central focus *Jesus Came to Save the lost*. It's not enough for us to know who Jesus is. The world needs to understand why He came and what impact He will make!

It is a blessing for us to behold the baby Jesus! As we approach our celebrations and festivities this Christmas season, don't let this story of God's unfailing love for the world go unspoken, but share this good news with everyone so that they can find hope, joy, peace, and love in baby Jesus Christ! Rest assured; Jesus will always be the pinnacle of Christmas!

I leave you with this traditional Christmas benediction: "May God fill you with the wonders of Mary, the obedience of Joseph, the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the determination of the magi, and the peace of Jesus. God's blessings be upon you now and forever!"

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all!

I Remain in His Service,

Reverend Undra Parker, Senior Pastor

The Joy of the LORD is Your Strength. Nehemiah 8:10

1 JOHN 4:7-21

Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.⁸ Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹ This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. ¹⁰ This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹ Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. ¹² No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.

¹³ This is how we know that we live in him and he in us: He has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴ And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. ¹⁵ If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in them and they in God. ¹⁶ And so we know and rely on the love God has for us.

God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them. ¹⁷ This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus. ¹⁸ There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love.

¹⁹ We love because he first loved us. ²⁰ Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen. ²¹ And he has given us this command: Anyone who loves God must also love their brother and sister.

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INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE | VICTOR NICHOLS & SMBC BAND

CALL TO WORSHIP | REVEREND VINCENT MARSHALL

SPECIAL MUSIC | ANGELIC VOICES CHILDREN'S CHOIR Let There Be Peace On Earth

PRAYER | REVEREND VINCENT MARSHALL

PRAISE CELEBRATION | THE VOICES OF SHILOH CHOIR Christmas Medley | We Worship Christ The Lord

RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE | REVEREND MILDRED PARKER 1 JOHN 4:7-21

Song of Worship | The Voices Of Shiloh Choir *Now Behold The Lamb*

Sermon | Pastor Undra Parker Finding LOVE in Our Differences 1 John 4:10

INVITATION TO NEW LIFE | PASTOR UNDRA PARKER

MINISTRY FOCUSES | REVEREND MILDRED PARKER

TITHES & OFFERINGS

CLOSING PRAYER | PASTOR UNDRA PARKER



Shiloh Missionary Baptist & Greater Friendship Baptist

FAITH FORWARD

JOINT NEW YEAR'S EVE WORSHIP SERVICE 31 December 2021 at 11:00 PM

> Location: Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church 855 East 20th Avenue [In-Person Worship]

> > With

Pastor Michael Bunton & Pastor Undra Parker

Great Music: Mass Choir - Shiloh & Greater Friendship Choirs Prayers & Scriptures: Shiloh & Greater Friendship Diaconates Encouraging Messages: Pastor Michael Bunton & Pastor Undra Parker New Year's Eve Baptisms

IN-PERSON: LET'S BEGIN THE NEW YEAR TOGETHER!

EVERY WEEK@SHILOH

SHILOH ON SUNDAY

9:45 AM Sunday School for Everyone

11:00 AM Worship Service [in person, Facebook Live and Live Streaming]



Church Offices Closed

SHILOH

Monday-Friday

7:00 AM Shiloh Morning Devotion | Facebook Live

Wednesday@Shiloh

- 11:00 AM Senior Caring Community on ZOOM Prayer, Bible Study, Fellowship
- 6:30 PM Family Prayer
- 7:00 PM Bible Study for Adults, Youth Groups, and Children's Groups

Thursday@Shiloh

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsals; Email: victor.nichols@shilohmbcalaska.org For each choirs' rehearsal schedule

Saturday@Shiloh

9:00 AM Shiloh Men's Caring Community On ZOOM
10:00 AM Shiloh Women's Caring Community On ZOOM 1st and 3rd Saturdays
1:00 PM Shiloh In Prayer
6:00 PM Young Adult Caring Community On ZOOM 2nd and 4th Saturdays

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