

JAM! is offered at today's service for children ages newborn through 6th grade. Check in all children before service in the vestibule near the Children's Wing. Infants and toddlers may then be dropped off to their room. Follow the classroom signs for pick up after service.

Need prayer? Our deacons would love to pray with you. Please meet a deacon at the back of the Sanctuary for prayer. No time? Fill out a prayer card located under the pews.





We invite you to give back to God by supporting the mission and ministries of NAPC. Text "NEWALBANY" to (833) 245-5652, visit our GIVE page, or drop your offering in an offering basket during worship.



Three services offered: a 2:00pm family service with Acoustic music and a children's message, followed by two traditional candlelight worship services at 4:00pm and 6:00pm.



2024

Ministry Giving

\$1,811,429 Actual YTD, \$1,606,611 Budget YTD (+\$204,818) 101.97% to 2024 Budget of \$1,776,000

Visit our Events Page or App for more details:

- Advent Worship Service TODAY @ 5:00pm
- Youth Nights for MS/HS in December: 12/15, 12/22 @5:00pm • Christmas Gift Bag Drive - Return filled totes TODAY & 12/15
- NAPC Young Adult Ministry 12/15, 1/5 @ 1:00pm
- One Service Sunday 12/29 @ 10:00am

December 8, 2024

From Beginning to Babel

Light and Lights David Milroy

Genesis 1:3-5, 14-19

³ And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴ And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

¹⁴ And God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years, ¹⁵ and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth." And it was so. ¹⁶ And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷ And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, ¹⁸ to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹ And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

Psalm 19

To the choirmaster. A Psalm of David.

¹ The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork. ² Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge. ³ There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard. ⁴ Their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them he has set a tent for the sun, 5 which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber, and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy. 6 Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them, and there is nothing hidden from its heat. ⁷ The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple; 8 the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes; 9 the fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever: the rules of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether, 10 More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb. 11 Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward. 12 Who can discern his errors? Declare me innocent from hidden faults. 13 Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me! Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression. 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

Hymns for Traditional Worship: #403, 249, 290, 218

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Books for further reading:

- Four Views on Creation, Evolution and Intelligent Design, edited by J.B. Stump
- Theistic Evolution: A Scientific, Philosophical, and Theological Critique, edited by JP Moreland, Stephen Meyer, Wayne Grudem, et al.
- Where the Conflict Really Lies: Science, Religion and Naturalism, by Alvin Plantinga

Monthly Memory Verse: December

Isaiah 9:6 - ⁶ 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.