This Week At Kentville Baptist		
Today	10:00am	Pre-Service Prayer (Room 202)
	10:00am	Praise Team
	11:00am	Worship/ Communion/ Sunday School
	12:15pm	Board of Community Ministries
Monday		
Tuesday	9:00 am	Quilters
	6:00 pm	Valley Voices
	7:00 pm	Board of Deacons
Wednesday	1:30 pm	Afternoon Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir
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Weekly sermons are available online at www.kentvillebaptist.org		
and by phone at 1-888-813-3162.		

Kentville Baptist is a Scent-Free Place of Worship

Please be scent-sitive and refrain from wearing scented perfumes, colognes and products, as there are individuals in our church family who have allergies to these items.

Thank You For Your Offerings – Stewardship and giving is an important element of our worship of God, who calls us to present unto Him "ourselves, our souls and our bodies" (Rom 12:1). If you are able to and wish to give, you may either place your offering in the collection plate, send an etransfer to treasurer@kentvillebaptist.org or consider signing up for pre-authorized giving (form in the foyer or contact the church office). We give thanks to God for His goodness and blessing, which enable us to give generously toward our work together.

Ministry Team and Contact Information

Ministers: All believers

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. David Bielby, dave.bielby@kentvillebaptist.org

Associate Pastor: Rev. Devin Johnstone, devin.johnstone@kentvillebaptist.org

Youth Ministry: info@kentvillebaptist.org

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CBM Partner In Mission: Andre Sibomana, Rwanda

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Welcome to Worship at Kentville United Baptist Church

Grow Up as Christ's Disciples Team Up for a Healthy Church Reach Out to a Hurting World





Epíphany Sunday

Thank you for joining us in worship.

We invite you to fill in the welcome card in the pew rack or our guest book. Anyone may use the reverse side of the card for prayer items or questions. Completed cards may be placed on the offering plate.

We hope you feel welcome here and that you will worship with us again.

Welcome to Kentville United Baptist Church January 5, 2025

*Indicates when to stand (anyone experiencing difficulty in standing may remain seated)

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer

*Hymns of Praise: (please see insert, hymnal or ppt screen for lyrics)

We Three Kings

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Time With The Children

Sunday School Presentation

(Children and Teachers may leave for their Sunday School program at this time)

SHARING AS A COMMUNITY

Stewardship: Investing in God's Kingdom

Offertory

*Stewardship Song: Christmas Offering

Over the skies of Bethlehem appeared a star
While angels sang to lowly shepherds
Three wise men seeking truth, they traveled from afar
Hoping to find the Child from heaven
Falling on their knees

they bow before the humble Prince of Peace

We bring an offering of worship to our King No one on earth deserves the praises that we sing Jesus may You receive the honour that You're due

O Lord, we bring an offering to You.

"Offering (Christmas Version)" words and music by Paul Baloche © 2002 Integrity's Hosanna! Music (Admin by EMI Christian Music Publishing), CCLI License No. 439474

Prayers of the People: Giving Thanks and Sharing Concerns

LISTENING AND RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Scripture: Matthew 2:1-12

Message: "Surprising Gifts" Braedon MacDonald

*Hymn of Response: As With Gladness Men of Old

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COMMUNION: SHARING THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper

GOING OUT TO LOVE AND SERVE GOD

*Commissioning Hymn: The First Noel

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(Please remain seated while the Benevolent Offering is being received, please stand as the Deacons come forward)

*Blessing

Postlude



Please join us after the service in the Parlour for a time of refreshments and fellowship! Please note that there is an elevator lift available for those who require assistance.

We welcome all to the Lord's Supper who know Jesus as their Saviour and Lord, the One who has reconciled us to God and who has laid claim to our lives. If this is not yet your faith, please feel free to pass the bread and cup by without embarrassment, letting them speak of God's love to you. (Please note: For those who have gluten sensitivities and allergies, we offer a gluten free wafer option on the trays of communion bread.) If you would like to explore what it means to know Jesus, please talk with one of our pastors.

On Communion Sunday, we also give people the opportunity to contribute toward compassionate ministries for helping with specific needs. This benevolent offering is a generous gift or a compassionate act of kindness. For example, through this offering we aid in food assistance, we participate in the Christmas hamper program, we respond to emergency needs in crisis, etc.

PRE-SERVICE PRAYER TIME in Room 202 from 10 - 10:45. Please enter and leave quietly. Should you have a private prayer concern please come toward the last half of our time, then we can talk quietly and pray together. Private prayer concerns will be kept private. More details? Contact Quincy and Bonnie Collins at quincycollins2011@gmail.com

Others in Ministry

Today

Greeters: TBA

Ushers: Kim Dobson, Karen Wilder

Tellers: Arnold Lemmon (Head), Bob & Myrna Blenkhorn PowerPoint: Creator – Jani Dufton Presenter- Jim Peerless

Sound Technician: Chad West

Next Week Greeters: TBA Ushers: TBA

Tellers: Arnold Lemmon (Head), Ellen Kyte & Karen Watson PowerPoint: Creator – Jani Dufton Presenter- Jim Peerless

Sound Technician: John & Micah Campbell

JUST A THOUGHT... (a slow meander through Mark) Read Mark 7:9-13

Jesus charges the teachers with sidestepping the law of God to keep their own rules. They taught that the command to honour one's parents was not binding if someone promised their resources to God. "Sorry folks, would love to help, but I promised my extra cash to God—and that promise comes first." They swept away a commanded obligation with one simple elder-approved word.

What are some of my religious traditions that might get in the way of a deeper obedience?

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