

A Service of Worship

First Sunday after Christmas

December 29, 2019

11:00 a.m.

Emmanuel, God-with-us

Welcome & Ritual of Friendship Rev. Dr. Dennis Knight

Prelude *Masters in This Hall* arr. Duncan
Suo-Gan (Soothing Song) Welsh lullaby
Jackson Heard, violin and John Fulcher, piano

*Call to Worship Jerry Perdue

Leader: We come today, in response to your call to praise you, our Creating God:

People: Praise the Lord, you heavens adore him; praise him angels in the height...

Leader: We come today, to join with all creation in joyfully praising our creating God.

People: Sun and moon, rejoice before him, praise him, all you stars and light...

Leader: We come today, in response to your call to praise you, our Creating God- as we sing our praises and offer you our worship and thanks, Eternal God.

People: Praise the Lord, for he has spoken, worlds his mighty voice obeyed heaven and earth, and all creation praise and glorify his name. Hallelujah and Amen!

*Invocation & Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Hymn 174 *Angels from the Realms of Glory* REGENT SQUARE

*Please stand as you are able

First Lesson Psalm 148 (pg. 546) Martha Perdue

The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

Second Lesson Isaiah 63: 7-9 (pg. 642)

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Call to Prayer *Away in a Manger* Arr. Hayes
Jackson Heard, violin and John Fulcher, piano

Morning Prayer Dr. Knight

With Gifts Brought

*Hymn 162 *The Frist Noel, the Angel Did Say* THE FIRST NOEL

Prayer of Dedication Ross Gale

Offertory *Still, Still, Still* Arr. Naylor
Jackson Heard, violin and John Fulcher, piano

Gathering of Tithes and Offerings

*Hymn 809 *Doxology* OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow:
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

With Minds Prepared

Anthem *Hallelujah, Glory Hallelujah* SLEETH

Hallelujah, Glory Hallelujah, To all good tidings tell,
Hallelujah, Glory Hallelujah, He comes, Immanuel!
No mortal He, yet born to be the Lord of all the earth,
Hallelujah, Glory Hallelujah, Proclaim his holy birth!

Hallelujah, Glory Hallelujah, Our voices let us raise,
Hallelujah, Glory Hallelujah, In joyful songs of praise!
From Heaven above he came in love,
This wondrous babe so small,
Hallelujah, Glory hallelujah, to bless us one and all!

To bring the world salvation, The Son of God was born;
A gift to every nation, upon that Christmas morn!
Rejoice! Rejoice! and with the angels sing!
Rejoice! Rejoice! and hail Him King!
Hallelujah, Glory Hallelujah, in Bethlehem afar,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, shines bright His guiding star!
Its light has spread from manger bed to
shine from shore to shore!
Hallelujah, Glory Hallelujah, our hope for evermore!

Sermon *Living on this side of Christmas* Dr. Knight

With Christmas Light

*Hymn 146 *Joy to the World! the Lord Is Come* ANTIOCH

The Church at Work Dr. Knight

*Benediction

*Benediction Response *Threefold Amen* Danish

Postlude *O Come, All Ye Faithful* Dupré

Today is the First Sunday After Christmas in the Christian year. The season of Christmastide is a twelve-day celebration of the birth of Christ, beginning on Christmas Day and lasting until January 5. It is primarily a celebration of God's incarnation. The liturgical color white is used symbolic of the purity of Christ.

Please welcome violinist Jackson Heard. Jackson is 26 years old and a native of Danville, Va. He currently lives in Richmond, Va. and works at the Hunter Holmes McGuire VA Medical Center. Jackson has played for us many times over the years.

CONGRATULATIONS to Ronnie and Marsha Garren on the birth of their grandson, Maddox Edward Garren, born on December 19, 2019. Proud parents are Robert and Lindsay Garren of Stokesdale, NC. The rose on the Lord's Table is in honor of his birth.

Prayer Reminder

CHURCH FAMILY: John Abbott, Nancy and Jim Barnett, Alice Bowman, Iva Burnett, Ruth Dandridge, Karen Doss, Lil Doyle, Martha Drane, John Fulcher, Jean and Boyd Gray, George Lester, Mary Lou McGoldrick, Marvin Midkiff, Betty Minter, Betty Prillaman, Hal Prillaman, Jimmie Sexton, Benny and Betty Shires, Yvonne Turner, Gayle Williams.

Offering Envelopes

You may pick up your 2020 offering envelopes in the Narthex.

Opportunities for the Week

Sunday, December 29

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship

Wednesday, January 1

Church office & ELC closed

Thursday, January 2

10:00 a.m. Bible Study

IN APPRECIATION: CHRISTMAS FLOWER FUND: A gift was given in memory of Earl Simpson and in honor of Frances Weaver by Elaine and Howard Fringer. GENERAL FUND: A gift has been given in memory of Pinky Milstead by Gwen Sowden. A gift has been given in honor of the Prayer Ministry by Laura Wingett and Family. A gift has been given in memory of Virginia Katherine and Winston Nelson by Virginia Dira Nelson Ensminger. HOSPITALITY: A gift has been given in memory of Nicholas Haggas, Henry Dalton, Arthur and Clyde Potter by Mary Frances Gibbs.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS: 30 Timothy Fuller, 31 Jim Frith

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS: 1 Herb Collins, 6 Charlene White, 14 Sybil Cochran, John Dyches, 16 Bobby Moore, 18 Karen Doss, 19 Claire Downing, 22 Martha Drane, 23 Yvonne Turner, Kenneth Kirkman, JoAnna Wilson, 29 Joretta Draper, Kenny Smith, 30 Richard Dorr

Worship Care Schedule

Sunday, December 29th - Martha Perdue & Linda Read
Sunday, January 5th - Julie Hall and Nita Gauldin

Church Christmas Lunch, Sunday, January 5th

Christmas Lunch tickets are \$13.00 and can be purchased through the Hospitality Committee or the church office.

All reservations must be made by Monday, December 30th.

If you would like to provide a dessert, please call the church office. The menu will be: Turkey, dressing, gravy, cranberry sauce, broccoli salad, mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, green beans, and homemade desserts.



Epiphany Concert
Monday, January 6, 7:00 p.m.
First Baptist Church Sanctuary

Women on Mission, January 6th, 10:00 a.m.

Reverend Michael Harrison will be sharing with us about the Community Storehouse backpack program. He will also be giving updates on the warming shelter and how we can better participate in this ministry. For January mission outreach we will be collecting mittens and toboggans for local children.

Deacons of the Month

Deacons of the month assist your pastor and other deacons with visitation as needed.

December Deacons of the Month: Joe Hundley
Stephens Turner



Grace Network Food Assignment: Jan.-March
Peanut Butter (18 oz.)
Please leave food in room 103.



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Mission Statement:

The congregation of First Baptist Church, led by the Holy Spirit, covenants to worship Almighty God and to be disciples of Jesus Christ. Consistent with the Great Commission, we will share our spiritual gifts beyond our doors with enthusiasm, generosity, and grace.



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