

# A Service of Worship

Christ the King/Reign of Christ Sunday

November 21, 2021

11:00 a.m.

*As we enter sacred space for worship, quiet your heart and mind, centering your thoughts on God's presence among us.*

## Gathering for Worship

Prelude *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* arr. Raney  
Baxter Jennings, organ; John Fulcher, piano

Welcome Rev. Dr. Libby Grammer

Call to Worship *Inspired by Psalm 93* Dr. Grammer

Leader: We come to worship God, the Eternal King - who is robed in majesty and light.

**People: We come in quiet, awed wonder and praise before our Glorious God and King.**

Leader: We come to praise God, the Glorious King - who is robed in holy righteousness.

**People: We come in humility, because we are not worthy of receiving God's Sovereign grace.**

Leader: We come and reverently marvel that the Lord our God, the King of all creation, who is forever robed in power and mercy - welcomes and accepts our prayers.

**People: We come to worship our Creator, who has created all things for and in love.**

Invocation & Lord's Prayer Dr. Grammer

**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 29 *O Worship the King* LYONS

## Hearing & Interpreting the Scriptures

\*Gospel Lesson John 18:33-37 William Underwood  
The Gospel of our Lord. **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

Children's Worship Pastor Ashley

*After children's worship, children age 5 and under are invited to join our nursery workers for age-appropriate children's church.*

\*Please stand as you are able

\*Songs of Praise Lydia Tyree, guitar/vocals  
Baxter Jennings, piano

*Revelation Song* Jennie Lee Riddle  
\*CCLI Song # 4447960

Anthem *O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord* Harris

Sermon *Truth Seekers* Dr. Grammer

## Responding to God

\*Song of Response  
Hymn 262 *Rejoice, the Lord is King* DARWELL

## Committing Our Lives

Prayer of Commitment Dr. Grammer

\*Presentation of Tithes and Offerings  
*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.**

\*Benediction Dr. Grammer

\*Response *Threefold Amen* Traditional

Postlude *Fugue Finale in C* Reger

*Today is Christ the King/Reign of Christ Sunday, the final Sunday of the season after Pentecost and the liturgical church year, which begins anew with the first Sunday of Advent next week. The focus of today's worship is God's ultimate victory and reign through Jesus Christ, punctuated by Christ's unique approach to kingship, in service and love of God and others. The liturgical color is white, symbolizing the purity and light of Christ.*

**Worship is Live Streamed** on Facebook and YouTube each Sunday morning at the worship hour and a video recording is posted on the church website/YouTube page within 24-48 hours. To listen by phone during the worship hour: **Zoom Call-in Number:** 1-833-548-0276; Meeting ID: 276 632 6336 #, #

**Children's Worship Bags** for all ages are in the Narthex (foyer at the back of the Sanctuary). These bags are intended to help children process what they are hearing and seeing as they worship with their families. Please return the bags after worship so they can be used in our next service.

## Prayer Reminder

**CHURCH FAMILY:** John Abbott, Alice Bowman, Judy Szulecki Bunin, Mary Clifton, Darnell Cockram, Martha Crawley, Helen Dandridge, Martha Drane, Judy Epperly, Smitty & Ann Grogan, Ted Hatcher, George Lester, Marvin Midkiff, Betty Minter, Betty Prillaman, Shirley Roark, Jimmie Sexton, Benny Shires, Irene Simpson, Stacey Steagall, Shirley Stone, Yvonne Turner, Gayle Williams

**November Birthdays:** 15 Anne McDaniel, 16 Neville Frith, 17 Jimmie Sexton, 18 Chuck Martin, 21 Roslyn Wingett, 22 Joe Engle, 24 Helen Wright, 25 Danny Winn, 29 Libby Grammer

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Business Meeting Agenda, TODAY at 1:00 p.m.-Zoom**

1. Approval of the Minutes, 2. Financial Report, 3. Committee Reports, 4. Vote on Nominating Committee Report. 5. Vote on BGAV Messengers, 6. Recommendation from the Building & Grounds Committee

**Family ADVENTure Afternoon Drop-In-TODAY**

**4:00 p.m. to 6:00p.m., Fellowship Hall**

We would love for your family to join us as we do this together! Between 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. families and individuals of all ages can drop in to create Advent wreaths, star ornaments, and more to take home to help celebrate the season. A kid-friendly dinner will be provided.

**Churchwide Christmas Decorating! Can you help?**

Come be a part of getting our facilities ready for the seasons of Advent and Christmas! We will be decorating the church on **Monday, November 22nd from 5:00PM to 7:00PM.**

If you can help us move trees and hang wreaths, please stop by for a bit! Let the church office know if you're able to help by calling or emailing. On **Tuesday, November 23rd at 10:00 a.m.** we will continue hanging ornaments.

Also, on **Saturday, November 27th**, we will be installing a new nativity scene on the street corner, spotlighting the Holy Family for the whole city! If you're able to help us put this together to share with our community, please let the church office know.

**Worship Care Schedule**

Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup> - Linda Read

Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup> - Marsha Garren

**Deacons of the Month: Sylvia Knight and Linda Moore**

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

## MISSIONS ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child due Today!**

Thank you, we have collected over 30 shoeboxes, including 12 from our after-school ELC class.

**Grace Network Oct.-Dec. 2021 Food Assignment**

Green Peas (15 oz.) Please drop the food off at the church.

### Opportunity To Share Christmas Love

First Baptist Church Martinsville has an opportunity to participate in the Salvation Army "Red Kettle Campaign." If you are interested in Ringing the Bell for the Salvation Army, **please contact the Church Office at 276-632-6336 by tomorrow, November 22<sup>nd</sup>!** If there is enough interest, a day, time slot, and location for Ringing the Bell will be finalized! If you are interested in making a monetary donation to the Red Kettle Campaign, you may mail you donation to Salvation Army, P.O. Box 551, Martinsville, VA. 24112. Please designate in the memo line of your check "Red Kettle Campaign."

### Opportunities for the Week

#### **Sunday, November 21**

9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School-Rm 105-107/Zoom  
9:45 a.m. Journey Small Group-Rm 110/Zoom  
9:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School-Church Nursery  
11:00 a.m. Worship-In-Person/Virtual  
1:00 p.m. Business Meeting-Zoom  
4:00 p.m. ADVENTure Afternoon-Fellowship Hall

#### **Monday, November 22**

10:00 a.m. Children's Chapel-Sanctuary  
5:00 p.m. Decorate for Christmas

#### **Tuesday, November 23**

10:00 a.m. Decorate for Christmas  
11:30 a.m. ELC Thanksgiving Lunch-Fellowship Hall  
5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary

#### **Thursday, November 25**

Church Office & ELC Closed-Happy Thanksgiving!

#### **Friday, November 26**

Church Office & ELC Closed

#### **Saturday, November 27**

9:00 a.m. Set up Outdoor Nativity Scene

### Gratitude for Giving...

GENERAL FUND: Gifts have been given in memory of Jean Gray by Ruth Dandridge, Joan Roach, and Tammy Jones. A gift has been given in memory of June Pace and Margaret Lester by Ruth Dandridge. A gift has been given in memory of Boyd & Jean Gray by Larry & Peggy McAlexander. A gift has been given in memory of June Pace by Linda & Ran Isley. FULLER-DAVIS FUND: A gift has been given in memory of Margaret Lester by Helen Wright. Gifts have been given in memory of Jean Gray by Helen Wright, Cliff & Jean Rood, Linda Read, Dottie & David Lewis, and the Mildred Lee Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

## Welcome to First Baptist Church!

We are #yourcitychurch in Martinsville...

A diverse community of believers coming from many Christian traditions to worship, learn, and grow together as followers of Jesus.

Serving God in our church, our community, and the world by investing our energy and resources to living like Jesus called us to live — in service to God and neighbor.

Growing and changing our ministries to include more variety in our vision so as to meet the needs of our community. Come GROW with us!

*If you do not have a church home, you are welcome here.*

*Come and see what God is doing among us as we worship and serve in Christ's name.*

Want to know more? Contact our Pastor: [libby@fbcmartinsville.com](mailto:libby@fbcmartinsville.com) or 276-632-6336.

### Open Invitation

Our congregation wishes to partner with you and your family on a shared journey of faith. Whatever your background, we would love to explore with you how to join with us as we minister to this community together.

Please contact our pastor if you are interested in wanting to know more about following Jesus, how to join this church as an active participant, or if you'd like to recommit yourself to this church and its ministry.

*Our doors are always open.*



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Rev. John Fulcher  
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Rev. Ashley Harrington  
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Baxter Jennings  
Organist

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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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\*Hymn 29            *O Worship the King*

O worship the King, all glorious above,  
O gratefully sing his power and his love;  
our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,  
pavilioned in splendor and grided with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,  
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunder clouds form,  
and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;  
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
in thee do we trust, not find thee to fail;  
they mercies how tender, how firm to the end,  
our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend.

\*Song of Response

Hymn 262            *Rejoice, the Lord is King*

Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore!  
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore:  
lift up your heart, lift up your voice!  
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

The Lord the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love;  
when he had purged our stains he took his seat above:  
lift up your heart, lift up your voice!  
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom can not fail, he rules o'er earth and heaven;  
the keys of death and hell to Christ the Lord are given:  
lift up your heart, lift up your voice!  
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord the Judge shall come,  
and take his servants up to their eternal home.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!  
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

LYONS

DARWELL

\*Songs of Praise

Lydia Tyree, guitar/vocals

Baxter Jennings, piano

*Revelation Song*

Jennie Lee Riddle

Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain  
Holy holy is He  
Sing a new song to Him Who sits on  
Heaven's mercy seat

*Chorus*

*Holy holy holy  
Is the Lord God Almighty  
Who was and is and is to come  
With all creation I sing  
Praise to the King of kings  
You are my ev'rything  
And I will adore You*

Clothed in rainbows of living color  
Flashes of lightning rolls of thunder  
Blessing and honor strength and glory  
And power be to You the only wise King

*Chorus*

Filled with wonder awestruck wonder  
At the mention of Your name  
Jesus Your name is power breath and living water  
Such a marv'lous mystery

*Chorus*

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Jennie Lee Riddle

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