



*Today is the First Sunday After Epiphany, and Baptism of the Lord Sunday in the Christian year. Epiphany (January 6) celebrates the manifestation of God in Jesus Christ. The Season of Epiphany continues this emphasis, calling attention to the words and deeds of Jesus’ earthly ministry. Today specially marks the baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist. The liturgical color is white, symbolizing the purity and holiness 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, Martha Crawley, Helen Dandridge, Martha Drane, Judy Epperly, 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

**January Birthdays:** 1 Herb Collins, 10 Ran Isley, 16 Bobby Moore, 18 Karen Doss, 22 Martha Drane, 23 Yvonne Turner, 29 Joretta Draper, Kenny Smith, 30 Richard Dorr

**Opportunities for the Week**

**Sunday, January 9**

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. Deacons Meeting-Zoom

**Monday, January 10**

10:00 a.m. Children’s Chapel-Sanctuary

**Wednesday, January 12**

5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room

**Thursday, January 13**

10:00 a.m. Bible Study-Zoom

**Deacons of the Month: Bill Sapp and Susan Sapp**

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

**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. Dr. Libby M. Grammer  
Senior Pastor**

**Rev. John Fulcher  
Interim Minister of Music**

**Rev. Ashley Harrington  
Interim Minister Children & Families**

**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.*



**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
MARTINSVILLE, VA**



*Baptism of the Lord*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Offering Envelopes for 2022 - pick up in the Bell Tower.  
Pledges to date for 2022-37 pledges/\$154,282

Worship Care Schedule

Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>- Linda Gale  
Sunday, January 16<sup>th</sup>- Ruth Anne Collins

Grace Network Jan-March 2022 Food Assignment  
Jelly (28-32 oz.) Please drop the food off at the church.

MISSIONS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Churchwide Christmas Missions Offering: Heifer International

Thank you, thank you, thank you for your great generosity!!!  
FBC's donations to Heifer International during the month of December totaled \$1900.05!!! We chose to provide:  
Water for Life (\$750.00 each) for 2 communities \$1,500.00  
Sending 1 girl to school \$275.00  
2 hives of honeybees (\$30.00 each) \$60.00  
1 flock of chicks (\$20.00) \$20.00  
Processing fee \$37.85  
Donations were tripled by Heifer during December, so the total value of our contribution became \$5,565.00. This means that we are now providing Water for 6 communities, sending 3 girls to school, providing 6 hives of honeybees, and sending 3 flocks of chicks! Your generosity is providing hope to many families and a hand up toward dignity and sustainability!

WMU Mission Action Project for January

“Cold Days, Warm Hearts”

The FBC Women’s Missionary Union (WMU) is sponsoring a churchwide missions project for the Martinsville Henry County Warming Center. During the month of January, members can donate any of the following needed items for the Warming Center’s guests:  
Bowls - disposable, Plates - disposable, Cups - disposable, Sugar, Milk, Orange juice, Trash bags, Laundry detergent, Sodas, Powdered Kool-Aid or lemonade (little plastic jug of Kool-Aid or lemonade), Masks, Hand sanitizer, Disinfectant spray, and Breakfast items

The Warming Center also needs volunteers for intake and to stay overnight. To volunteer call or email the center at (276) 207-9660 or operations@mhcwarmingcenter.org. Individuals are also needed to make dinners serving 20-25 guests. The meals should be delivered to: Forest Hills Presbyterian Church, 725 Beechnut Lane, Martinsville, Virginia, between 6:30 – 6:45 p.m.

Please put your donated items in Room #103 in designated box for the Warming Center.

Gratitude for Giving...

GENERAL FUND: Gifts have been given in memory of Bruce Spencer by Ran & Linda Isley, The John Kirk Sunday School Class, and David & Dottie Lewis.

\*Hymn 45 Come, thou Fount of Every Blessing NETTLETON

Come, thou Fount of every blessing, turn my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;  
praise his name—I’m fixed upon it—name of God’s redeeming love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer, hither by thy help I’ve come;  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering form the fold of God;  
he, to rescue me from danger, bought me with his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I’m constrained to be!  
Let thy goodness, like a fetter bind my wandering heart to thee:  
prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;  
here’s my heart, O, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

\*Hymn 302 Holy Spirit, Light Divine MERCY

Holy Spirit, Light divine, shine upon this heart of mine;  
chase the shades of night away, turn my darkness into day.

Holy spirit, Power divine, cleanse this guilty heart of mine;  
long has sin without control held dominion o’er my soul.

Holy Spirit, Joy divine, cheer this saddened heart of mine;  
bid my many woes depart, heal my wounded, bleeding heart.

Holy Spirit, all divine, dwell within this heart of mine;  
cast down every idol throne, reign supreme, and reign alone.

\*Song of Response  
Hymn 758 Baptized in Water BUNESSAN

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
cleansed by the blood of Christ, our King;  
heirs of salvation, trusting his promise,  
faithfully now God’s praise we sing.

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
dead in the tomb with Christ, our King;  
one with his rising, freed and forgiven,  
thankfully now God’s praise we sing.

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
marked with the sign of Christ, our King;  
born of one Father, we are his children,  
joyfully now God’s praise we sing.