

A Service of Worship

Transfiguration Sunday

February 11, 2024

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 *O Worship the King* arr. Raney
Baxter Jennings, organ; John Fulcher, piano

Welcome Rev. Dr. Libby Grammer

Call to Worship Dr. Grammer

Leader: Come, listen to the One

**People: who speaks and summons the earth,
from the rising of the sun to its setting.**

Leader: Come, see the One

People: who shines forth in the perfection of beauty.

Leader: Come, bring thanksgiving,
the sacrifice that honors the One

People: who shows the salvation of God.

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 562 *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies* DIX

Hearing the Scriptures

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 50:1-6 Taylor Vecchia
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Gospel Lesson Mark 9:2-9
The Gospel of our Lord. **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

Children's Worship Pastor Libby

*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

Committing Our Lives

*Hymn 539 *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* HOUSTON

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.**

Engaging the Scriptures

Anthem *God Who Touchest Earth with Beauty*
Edgar/McNair

Sermon *Epiphany about God: God is Brilliant and Present*
Dr. Grammer

Responding to God

*Song of Response
Hymn 27 *O Splendor of God's Glory Bright* PUER NOBIS

*Benediction Dr. Grammer

*Response *God Be in My Head* tr. Primer

Postlude *In Thee is Gladness* arr. Mickel

***Today is the Last Sunday After Epiphany—known as
Transfiguration Sunday.*** *The Season of Epiphany calls attention to
the words and deeds of Jesus' earthly ministry by which his divine
sonship is made manifest. This last Sunday is the Transfiguration of
the Lord, in which Christ's divine sonship is reaffirmed. The liturgical
color for today is white, recalling Jesus' appearance in glorious
splendor.*

***This year, during the season of Epiphany, we are seeking to know
God better through a sermon series called "Epiphanies about God,"
reading from the Psalms each week. We are asking questions and seek
answers with the psalmists about who God is, how God works, and
how we might encounter God in our own lives.***

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.

Giving in Worship at First Baptist – We welcome your gifts to
support the mission and ministry of First Baptist Church. You can
give in worship by dropping your offering (check/cash) in our
offering plate in the Narthex, or you can give online anytime at
fbcmartinsville.com/give.

Prayer Reminder

Church Family: Alice Bowman, John Buck, John Burgess,
Mary Clifton, Martha Crawley, Martha Drane, Ann Grogan,
Armand Harrell, George Lester, Betsy Miers, Betty Minter,
Betty Prillaman, Shirley Roark, Benny Shires, Shirley Stone,
Yvonne Turner, Gayle Williams

February Birthdays: 3 Armand Harrell, Shirley Roark,
5 Audrey Buck, 7 Martha Crawley, 13 Linda Dorr, 16 Rosa Collins,
19 Betsy Miers, Jane Mize, 23 Ann Grogan, Linda Moore,
25 Betty Minter, 28 Jack Johnston

Deacons of the Month: Bobby Moore and Linda Moore
Deacons of the month assist your pastor and other deacons
with visitation as needed.

Worship Care Schedule

Sunday, February 11th – Imogene McMillan
Sunday, February 18th – Service at Chatham Heights Baptist

Grace Network Jan-Mar. 2024 Food Assignment: Sugar (4lb.)
Please drop the food off in the Missions Room at the church.

Opportunities for the Week

Sunday, February 11

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-Sanctuary/Online

Monday, February 12

6:00 p.m. Stillwater Rehearsal-Choir Room
7:00 p.m. Smith River Singers Rehearsal-Sanctuary

Tuesday, February 13

10:00 a.m. Children's Chapel-Sanctuary
12:15 p.m. Children & Youth Committee-Rm. 105/Zoom

Wednesday, February 14

10:00 a.m. Library Committee/Zoom
6:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service-Sanctuary

Thursday, February 15

10:00 a.m. Bible Study-Deuteronomy-Rm 105/Zoom
12:00 p.m. Lenten Lunch-FBC Fellowship Hall
5:30 p.m. Kid's Church-Rm 101
5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room

Gratitude for Giving

FLOWER FUND: Gifts have been given in memory of Nita Gauldin by Mary Frances Gibbs, Chuck & Suzanne Martin, Herb & Ruth Anne Collins, and David & Dottie Lewis. HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE: A gift has been given in memory of Nita Gauldin by Bill & Susan Sapp. GENERAL FUND: A gift has been given in memory of Nita Gauldin by Joretta Draper.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ash Wednesday Service

THIS Wednesday, February 14th at 6:00 p.m.

FBC Sanctuary/Streamed Live

This will be a shared service with Chatham Heights Baptist Church. We will gather with our sister church to begin the Season of Lent through the worship of God and imposition of ashes. Join us as we prepare our hearts to walk alongside Jesus in this season of growth as we head to the cross, and ultimately to Easter morning.

Lenten Lunches starting THIS Thursday, February 15th

Thursdays at Noon

This year, for the first time post-pandemic, we are gathering again for weekly Ecumenical Lenten Lunches during the season of Lent on Thursdays at noon! We'll have a simple meal and a shared time of devotion with the pastor of each host church. The first Lenten Lunch will be held here at First Baptist in the Fellowship Hall.

NEXT SUNDAY, February 18th

No Sunday School

Shared Worship at Chatham Heights Baptist Church at 10:30 a.m.

This year, our church and our sister church, Chatham Heights Baptist Church, will join together once a quarter for shared worship, alternating worship spaces. We will meet at 10:30AM (to split the time difference between our worship services) and will not have Sunday School these Sundays.

Spaghetti Lunch After Worship-February 18th

After the combined service on February 18th, we will have a spaghetti lunch for everyone! During this lunch, we will also have programming for our prayer partners. We hope that you will consider attending the spaghetti lunch; we will have a fun time of fellowship, food, and prayer!

Baptist Women's Day Choir-February 18th

Pastor Caroline is putting together a women's choir for the combined Baptist Women's Day worship service at Chatham Heights on February 18th. Reach out to Pastor Caroline at caroline@fbcmartinsville.com or call the church office if you would like to participate in the women's choir. We will practice February 18th at 9:30am in the Chatham Heights choir room before the service.

Lenten Study- "Have a Beautiful, Terrible Lent!"

Tuesdays, February 20th-March 26th at 12:00 p.m. on Zoom

Join pastors Dr. Libby Grammer and Dr. Mike Hatfield as they reflect on the study offered by Kate Bower in her book "Have a Beautiful, Terrible Day!" Look for a link in your e-newsletter.

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 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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Senior Pastor

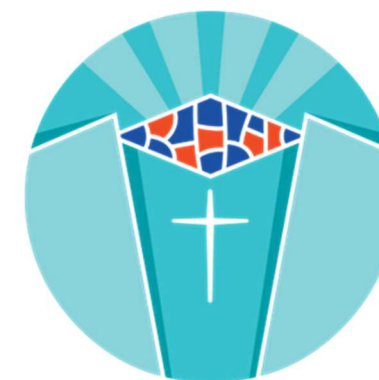
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NEW Shared Services with Chatham Heights Baptist Church

This year, our church and our sister church, Chatham Heights Baptist Church, will join together once a quarter for shared worship, alternating worship spaces. We will meet at 10:30AM (to split the time difference between our worship services) and will not have Sunday School these Sundays. Our first two dates are listed below! We hope to have you join us as we worship together with our Christian family at CHBC!

NEXT Sunday, February 18, 2024 at 10:30AM

First Sunday in Lent

Chatham Heights Baptist Church Sanctuary

Rev. Dr. Libby Grammer preaching for the First Sunday of Lent and Baptist Women's Day

Sunday, May 19, 2024 at 10:30AM

Pentecost Sunday

First Baptist Church Sanctuary

Caroline Taminger preaching for Pentecost Sunday, with our children from both congregations leading in worship!

2024 Wish List from the FBC Flower Committee-Can you donate?

New Christmas Trees

The Flower Committee would like to raise money to buy much-needed new Christmas Trees for the Narthex and Sanctuary. We are looking to buy three 9' pre-lit trees. Each tree will cost \$799 for a total of \$2,397. **To date:** 1 ¾ Trees donated.

New Green Paraments

We would like to upgrade our green paraments to a more modern green color and design. The cost for paraments (Lord's Table and pulpit) is around \$1,500.

Worship Banners with stands for the Sanctuary

These banners depicting the different liturgical seasons would be 3'x9' and would hang on a stand in the Sanctuary to focus our worship for each season. The banners range from \$200-280 each (2 per season, reusable).

To date: two Easter banners/two stands donated.

If you would like to donate to the Flower Fund for any of these projects, you may do so in memory/honor of a loved one.

The Warming Center of Martinsville & Henry Co.

The Center is now located at the Salvation Army, 603 Memorial Blvd. S, Martinsville, VA. To learn more about how you can volunteer, see your e-newsletter or the church bulletin board for a list of donations needed.

Patrick Henry Elementary Food Pantry

The Missions Committee invites the church to serve children in our community through food donation. Patrick Henry Elementary school is providing food bags for students who need extra food over the weekends. A list of items can be found on the bulletin board outside the church office. Please place any of the needed items in the box marked "PHE" in Room 103, the Missions Room.

*Hymn 562 *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies* DIX

Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true, the only light,
sun of righteousness, arise, triumph over shades of night:
Day - spring from on high, be near, Day - star, in my heart appear!

Dark and cheerless is the dawn till your glories shine on me;
joyless is the day's return till your mercy's beams I see;
as they inward light impart, cheer my eyes and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine, pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
fill me, radiance divine, scatter all my unbelief:
more and more yourself display, shining to the perfect day!

*Hymn 539 *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* HOUSTON

I want to walk as a child of the light; I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world;
the star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain

In him there is no darkness at all;

the night and the day are both alike.

The Lamb is the light of the city of God:

Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God; I want to look at Jesus.
Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path,
and show me the way to the Father. *Refrain*

I'm looking for the coming of Christ; I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race,
we shall know the joy of Jesus. *Refrain*

*Song of Response

Hymn 27 *O Splendor of God's Glory Bright* PUER NOBIS

O Splendor of God's glory bright, from light eternal bringing light,
thou Light of light, light's living Spring, True Day,
all days illumining:

Come, very Sun of heaven's love in lasting radiance from above,
and pour the Holy Spirit's ray on all we think or do today.

Confirm our will to do the right, and keep our hearts from envy's
blight; let faith her eager fires renew, and hate the false,
and love the true.

All praise to God the Father be, all praise, eternal Son, to thee,
whom with the Spirit we adore forever and forever more.