

# A Service of Worship

Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 18, 2026

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

Welcome Rev. Dr. Mike Hatfield

Prelude *O God Our Help* Bach  
Baxter Jennings, organ

Call to Worship Dr. Hatfield

Leader: Christ is calling, inviting, urging and wooing:  
Come and follow me!

**People: Let us set aside our worry and fear, our  
busyness and competing agendas to respond to  
Christ's call.**

Leader: Christ offers us the opportunity to walk with him,  
to come to know his heart more deeply day by day.

**People: Nothing is more precious than opening our  
hearts to God, who fills us with love.**

Leader: Christ grants us the privilege of working  
alongside him in our Father's business.

**People: There is no higher call and no greater joy than  
making a difference in the kingdom of God.**

Leader: Come, let us worship the One who calls us to  
follow!

**People: We worship in joy, in gratitude, in praise:  
Jesus Christ is Lord of all!**

Invocation Dr. Hatfield

\*Hymn 578 *Come, All Christians, Be Committed* BEACH SPRING

## Hearing the Scriptures

The Epistle Reading 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 Roslyn Wingett  
The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Lesson John 1:43-51  
The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

\*Please stand as you are able

Children's Worship Dr. Mike

## Committing Our Lives

\*Hymn 648 *O Jesus, I Have Promised* ANGEL'S STORY

Prayer of Commitment & Lord's Prayer Dr. Hatfield

**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.**

+\*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 *All Good Gifts* Sleeth

Sermon *Come and See* Dr. Hatfield

## Responding to God

\*Song of Response  
Hymn 576 *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus* ASSAM

\*Benediction Dr. Hatfield

*As people of God, we have been baptized with water and God's  
own Spirit. Go, therefore, in holiness and joy, remembering who  
and whose we are and celebrating our life with God, Creator,  
Redeemer and Sustainer. Amen.*

Postlude *A Mighty Fortress* arr. Held  
*A musical reflection on our worship of God today.*

***As we depart, we go into the world to serve  
to the glory of Jesus Christ.***

***Today is the Second Sunday After Epiphany 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. The  
liturgical color for the season is green, representing new life and  
growth.***

**Flowers in the Sanctuary** are given in memory of Bitsy Fulcher  
Morgan by First Baptist Church.

**+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](http://fbcmartinsville.com/give).

## Nursery & Children's Chapel

Our nursery is available for children seven and under.  
The nursery is down the hall from the Narthex and to the right.

**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.

**Our 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 #, #

## Reminders

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

**Prayers for our Church Family:** John Burgess, Mary Clifton,  
Martha Drane, Imogene McMillan, Betty Prillaman, Shirley Reeves,  
Shirley Roark, Benny Shires, Yvonne Turner

**In Christian Sympathy** to the family of Ann Grogan who passed  
away Monday, January 12<sup>th</sup>. A graveside service will be Thursday,  
January 22 at 2:00 p.m., at Roselawn Burial Park.

## Deacon of the Month: Crystal Darden

She will assist other deacons with visitations as needed.

**Grace Network Jan-March 2026 Food Assignment: Pancake Mix**  
Place items in the Missions Room 103.

## Patrick Henry Elementary Food Pantry

A church wide mission project again this school year will be for  
Patrick Henry Elementary School. The school provides food bags for  
students who need extra food over the weekends. See the bulletin  
board for items needed.

## WMU January Churchwide Mission Project

The Woman's Mission Union is asking for donations of  
children's diapers for Pregnancy Care Center. Please leave all  
donations in the box in the Narthex.

## Opportunities for the Week

### Sunday, January 18

9:30 a.m. Sunday School-Rm. 105/Zoom  
11:00 a.m. Worship-Sanctuary/Online  
3:00 p.m. Memorial Service for Bitsy Morgan-Sanctuary

### Monday, January 19

Office & ELC Closed-Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
5:00 p.m. Missions Committee/Zoom

### Tuesday, January 20

10:30 p.m. Administrative Staff Meeting-Rm. 105

### Wednesday, January 21

10:00 a.m. Trustee Meeting-Conference Room

### Thursday, January 22

10:00 a.m. Bible Study-1 Chronicles-Rm 105/Zoom  
5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room

## Announcements

### **Business Meeting Agenda, January 25, 2026, at 12:15 p.m.**

1. Approval of the Minutes, 2. Financial Report,  
3. Committee Reports.

### **All Standing Committee Chairs**

Please let the church office know the officers of your committee once you have had your meeting.

### **Gratitude for Giving**

GENERAL FUND: A gift has been given in memory of Bitsy Morgan by the Charles B. Keese Educational Fund.

## Upcoming Services

### **Shared Ash Wednesday Service-February 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.**

#### **Starling Avenue Baptist Church Sanctuary**

This will be a shared service with Chatham Heights Baptist Church and Starling Avenue Baptist Church. We will gather with our sister churches 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.

### **Baptist Women in Ministry**

#### **Shared Service at Chatham Heights Baptist Church**

#### **Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:30 a.m.**

Several Baptist churches invite women to preach in their pulpits in the month of February to allow space for women's voices in the pulpit and to recognize that God's calling of ministry and preaching is not limited to men. Join us for Baptist Women In Ministry Day at Chatham Heights Baptist Church in their Sanctuary. Reminder that there is no service here at First Baptist on that Sunday.

## Welcome to First Baptist Church!

We are #yourcitychurch in Martinsville...

Coming together with 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.

## 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.

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, contact us at [info.fbcmartinsville.com](mailto:info.fbcmartinsville.com), (276) 632-6336, [mike@fbcmartinsville.com](mailto:mike@fbcmartinsville.com) or his cell (276) 340-7550.

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



23 Starling Avenue  
Martinsville, VA 24112  
(276) 632-6336

Rev. Dr. Mike Hatfield  
Senior Pastor

Rev. John Fulcher  
Interim Pastor for  
Music & Worship

Baxter Jennings  
Organist

[www.fbcmartinsville.com](http://www.fbcmartinsville.com)  
[facebook.com/FirstBaptistMartinsville/](https://facebook.com/FirstBaptistMartinsville/)

*"Live Faith, Be Love, Speak Hope"*



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
MARTINSVILLE, VA

*Live Faith, Be Love, Speak Hope*



## Season of Epiphany

\*Hymn 578      *Come All Christians Be Committed*      BEACH SPRING

Come, all Christians, be committed to the service of the Lord;  
make your lives for him more fitted, tune your hearts with one accord.  
Come into his courts with gladness, all your sacred vows renew,  
turn away from sin and sadness, be transformed with life anew.

Of your time and talents give ye, they are gifts from God above,  
to be used by Christians freely to proclaim his wonderous love.  
Come again to serve the Savior, tithes and offerings with you bring;  
in your work, with him find favor, and with joy his praises sing.

Come in praise and adoration, all who on Christ's name believe;  
worship him with consecration, grace and love will you receive.  
For his grace give him the glory, for the Spirit and the Word,  
and repeat the gospel story until all his name have heard.

\*Hymn 648      *O Jesus I Have Promised*      ANGEL'S STORY

O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;  
Be thou forever near me, my Master and my Friend;  
I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,  
Nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel thee near me, the world is ever near:  
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear:  
my foes are ever near me, around me and within;  
but, Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still,  
above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will.  
O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;  
O speak, and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee  
that where thou art in glory, there shall thy servant be;  
and, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;  
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.

\*Song of Response

Hymn 576      *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*      ASSAM

I have decided to follow Jesus;  
I have decided to follow Jesus;  
I have decided to follow Jesus;  
no turning back, no turning back.

The world behind me, the cross before me;  
the world behind me, the cross before me,  
the world behind me, the cross before me;  
no turning back, no turning back.

Though none go with me, I still will follow;  
though none go with me, I still will follow;  
though none go with me, I still will follow;  
no turning back, no turning back.

Will you decide now to follow Jesus?  
Will you decide now to follow Jesus?  
Will you decide now to follow Jesus?  
no turning back, no turning back.