

For the Worship of Almighty God

First Sunday after Christmas

December 30, 2018

11:00 a.m.

O COME, IMMANUEL

Welcome Jerry Perdue

Prelude *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice!* In dulci jubilo
Baxter Jennings, organist; Daryl McLean, saxophonist

*Call to Worship Based on Psalm 148 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; laws, which never shall be broken, for their guidance he has made...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

Old Testament Lesson 1 Samuel 2: 18-20, 26 (pg.235) Martha Perdue

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

New Testament Lesson Colossians 3: 12-17 (pg.1027)

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

Call to Prayer *May the Mind of Christ My Savior* Wilkinson

May the mind of Christ my Savior live in me from day to day,
by his love and power controlling all I do and say.

May I run the race before me, strong and brave to face to foe,
looking only unto Jesus as I onward go.

Morning Prayer Rev. Dr. Jenny Call

WITH GIFTS BROUGHT

*Hymn 186 *Wise Men, They Came to Look* WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT

Prayer of Dedication Ross Gale

Offertory *What Child is This?* Greensleeves
Baxter Jennings, organist; Daryl McLean, saxophonist

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 *Sing We Now of Christmas* arr. Ricketts

Sing we now of Christmas, Noel, sing we here!
Hear our grateful praises to the Babe so dear.

Sing we Noel, the King is born, Noel!
Sing we now of Christmas, sing we now Noel!

Angels called to shepherds, "Leave your flocks at rest,
journey forth to Bethlehem, find the lambkin blest."

Sing we Noel, the King is born, Noel!
Sing we now of Christmas, sing we now Noel!

In Bethlehem they found him; Joseph and Mary mild,
seated by the manger, watching the holy child.

Sing we Noel, the King is born, Noel!
Sing we now of Christmas, sing we now Noel!

From the eastern country came the kings a far,
bearing gifts to Bethlehem guided by a star.

Sing we Noel, the King is born, Noel!
Sing we now of Christmas, sing we now Noel!

Gold and myrrh they took there, gifts of greatest price;
there was ne'er a place on earth so like paradise.

Sing we Noel, the King is born, Noel!
Sing we now of Christmas, sing we now Noel!

Sermon *Clothing With Compassion* Rev. Dr. Call

WITH LIVED COMPASSION

*Hymn 173 *O Come, All Ye Faithful* ADESTE FIDELES

*Benediction Rev. Dr. Call

*Benediction Response *Amen* Storer

Postlude *Angels We Have Heard On High* Gloria
Baxter Jennings, organist; Daryl McLean, saxophonist

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.

Our preacher this week is the Rev. Dr. Jenny Frazier Call. Dr. Call serves as University Chaplain at Hollins University. Endorsed as a chaplain through the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, she is a graduate of Virginia Theological Seminary, at Richmond, and the College of William and Mary. Virginia Baptist Women in Ministry board member alongside Rev. Grammer, Jenny has contributed essays to two books: *A Divine Duet: Ministry and Motherhood* and *The Modern Magnificat: Women Responding to the Call of God* and writes about finding sanctuary, motherhood and ministry, and storytelling and faith formation. She lives in Salem, Virginia, with her husband, John and their kids, Brady and Maryn.

We also welcome guest saxophonist, Daryl McLean. He is a 1980 graduate of George Washington High School where he played saxophone in various ensembles with Baxter Jennings. Daryl is also a 1984 graduate of the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music and plays saxophone in area churches, especially Danville's historic High Street Baptist Church.

PRAYER REMINDER

CHURCH FAMILY: John Abbott, Alice Bowman, Martha Crawley, Jean and Boyd Gray, George Lester, Mary Lou McGoldrick, Betty Minter, Amber Nowlin, Betty Prillaman, Jimmie Sexton, Benny Shires, Gayle Williams

The Family and Friends prayer reminder list is now located in the narthex on the welcome table for you to pick up.

CBF GLOBAL MISSIONS OFFERING: Our mission offering goal is \$1,000. Received to date- \$781.75. Mission Offering Envelopes are available in the pew racks. This offering supports the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship's Missionary Field Personnel like Steve Clark and Annette Ellard.

MISSIONARY PRAYER: Steve Clark and Annette Ellard, Louisville, Kentucky. Steve Clark and his wife, Annette Ellard serve among the more than 1,000 refugees from Burma living in Louisville, Kentucky. Through their ministry of availability and hospitality, Annette and Steve strive to share the love of God through a host of ministries including pastoral care, social work, crisis management, education, advocacy, and consulting to refugees and those who seek those serve them.

Opportunities for the Week

Sunday, December 30

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship

Tuesday, January 1

Office and Daycare closed- Happy New Year!

Wednesday, January 2

No Wednesday Night Family Dinner

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal

Thursday, January 3

10:00 a.m. Bible Study- John

IN APPRECIATION: GENERAL FUND: A gift was given in memory of Winston and Katherine Nelson by Virginia Dira Nelson Ensminger. **GRACE NETWORK:** A gift has been given in memory of Esta Wilson by Richard and Linda Dorr.

Please pick up your 2019 Offering Envelopes in the Bell Tower Narthex

WEE Ministry Pageant has been rescheduled for Wednesday, January 9th at 7:00 p.m. due to weather. Please join us to support our children by attending in January!

Church Christmas Dinner will be held on Epiphany Sunday, January 6th after morning worship service. Deadline to make your reservation is Wednesday January 2nd.

WMU Meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 7th at 10:00 a.m. We will be making baby blankets for the hospital. Please bring a sharp pair of scissors and join us in fellowship.

Smith River Singers will repeat their Christmas performance of "Love and Joy to You: Choral Christmas Concert" on January 7th at 7:00 p.m. here at First Baptist Church. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy this very talented group.

Nursery Schedule

Sunday, December 30th -Susan Sapp and Marsha Garren

Sunday, January 6th -Joan and Steve Haynes

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS: 30 Timothy Fuller, 31 Jim Frith

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS: 1 Herb Collins, 6 Charlene White, 10 Ran Isley, 11 Amber Nowlin, 14 Sybil Cochran, John Dyches, 16 Robert Moore, 18 Karen Doss, 19 Claire Downing, 21 Kitty Sparrow, 22 Martha Drane, 23 Yvonne Turner, Kenneth Kirkman, JoAnna Wilson, 29 Joretta, Draper, Kenneth Smith, 30 Richard Dorr, 31 James Haskins

Get Involved-New Lay Reader Program!

Our new lay reader program offers an opportunity for church members to lead in the act of worship regularly. If you are interested in becoming a lay reader to read Scripture during worship, please contact the church office to be added to our lay reader list. Each week, the lay reader will be given the Scripture texts and offered the opportunity to be coached and rehearse his or her readings in the pulpit by William Underwood and other lay reader volunteers.



Grace Network Food Assignment: October- December
Pasta (ex. spaghetti, elbows) & Sauce (24 oz. can or jars)
Please leave food in Room 101

In case of inclement weather, tune in to WDBJ7, WSLS10, or our website www.firstbaptistmartinsville.com for information concerning our worship service and activities.

First Baptist Church



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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.