

# For the Worship of Almighty God

Seventh Sunday After Epiphany

February 24, 2019

11:00 a.m.

## WITH HEARTS AND VOICES

Welcome Bill Sapp

Prelude *Now Woods And Fields Are Sleeping* arr. Edmundson  
Baxter Jennings, organist

\*Call to Worship Bill Sapp

Leader: Whispering God, the noise of the world is loud.

People: Open our ears to your still, small, voice.

Leader: God of revelation, the darkness of the world threatens.

People: Open our eyes to the light of your presence.

Leader: God of abundance, we cling tightly to so many things.

People: Open our hands in generosity and joy.

Leader: God of all people, we feel the fear of those who are "other."

People: Open our arms to the stranger and the enemy.

Leader: God of mystery, we want so desperately to understand you.

People: Open our minds to the depths of your truth.

Leader: Creating God, we long to know your presence.

People: Open our hearts to receive your love.

\*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 95 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* CORONATION

\*Please stand as you are able.

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 37: 1-11, 39-40 (pg.483) Linda Dorr

The Word of the Lord; Thanks be to God.

\*Gospel Lesson Luke 6: 27-38 (pg.895)

The Gospel of our Lord; Praise be to you, O Christ.

Call to Prayer *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying* Medema

Lord, listen to your children praying,  
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;  
Lord, listen to your children praying,  
send us love, send us power, send us grace.

Morning Prayer Rev. Libby Grammer

## WITH OPEN HANDS

\*Hymn 635 *He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought* HE LEADETH ME

Prayer of Dedication Ross Gale

Offertory *Fugue in C Major* Zeuner

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 TEACHABLE MINDS

Anthem *Come, Thou Fount Of Every Blessing* arr. Martin

Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune 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 the mount! Oh, fix me on it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I find my greatest treasure; 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 wand'ring for the fold of God;  
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

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

Sermon *Transforming Grace* Rev. Grammer

## WITH OBEDIENT FEET

\*Hymn 591 *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind* REST

\*Benediction Rev. Grammer

\*Benediction Response *Amen* Larson

Postlude *Voluntary in F* Beckel

*Today is the Seventh 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.*

The altar flowers in the sanctuary are given in memory of Kitty Sparrow by her family.

The flowers in the Narthex are given in memory of George Brown by his family.

## PRAYER REMINDER

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

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

MISSIONARY PRAYER: Sasha and Mira Zivanov, St. Louis, Missouri  
Sasha Zivanov, along with his wife, Mara serves among the immigrant community in St. Louis, Missouri, predominantly working with refugees from the former Yugoslavia, which includes the countries of Bosnia, Serbia, and Croatia. Partnering with local churches, the Zivanovs provide outreach ministries that meet the needs of refugee families that have lost much to years of violence, conflict, and hardship. Through fellowship, pastoral care, a food pantry, tutoring, and other classes, they seek to provide opportunities for community and to share the gospel.

IN CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO: The family of Kitty Sparrow who passed away on February 19<sup>th</sup>. The service was here at First Baptist, Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The family of Bobby Reeves who passed away Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup>. The funeral was held Friday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at Bassett Funeral Services.

## Opportunities for the Week

**Sunday, February 24**

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship

### **Monday, February 25**

7:00 p.m. Smith River Singers Reh

### **Wednesday, February 27**

10:00 a.m. Library Committee Meeting

6:00 p.m. Dessert & Business Meeting

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Reh

### **Thursday, February 28**

10:00 a.m. Bible Study-Acts

**IN APPRECIATION:** FLOWER FUND: A gift has been given in memory of Kitty Sparrow by Max and Roslyn Wingett. GERERAL FUND: A gift has been given in memory of Kitty Sparrow by Pat Jordan. A gift has been given in memory of Bobby Reeves and Kitty Sparrow by Helen Dandridge.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS: 25 Betty Minter, Elaine Fringer, 28 Jack Johnston.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS: 4 Ann Draper, Karmon Martin, 5 Benny Shires, 6 Lynn Ward

#### **BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.**

1. Reading of the Minutes; 2. Financial Report; 3. Recommendation from the Deacon Chair for an Adhoc Bylaws Committee; 4. Recommendation from the WEE Ministry Committee to change the name of the daycare to First Baptist Church Early Learning Center; 5. Committee Reports

### **Nursery Schedule**

**Sunday: Sylvia & Dennis Knight**

**Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>: Martha Perdue & Linda Moore**

**Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>: Roslyn Wingett & Linda Gale**

**XYZ** will meet at the church Tuesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. to go to Captain Tom's for lunch. We will return to the church by 1:00 p.m. to make cross necklaces for Dr. Szulecki's upcoming mission trip to Honduras on March 30<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is welcome to join us for lunch and/or making cross necklaces.

### **Wednesday Night Dessert & Coffee Fellowship**

We will gather each week over dessert and coffee for fellowship, prayer time, and a program beginning at 6:00 PM.

This week: Business Meeting

Dessert: Joe & Brenda Hundley

March 6<sup>th</sup> : Ash Wednesday Service in the Chapel

Thank you for joining us each week for our midweek fellowship and learning!

Grace Network Food Assignment: January-March

Beans & Peas (15 oz.)

(pinto, kidney, navy etc.) No black beans

Please leave food in Room 101



### **Coming up in March & April**

**Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>: Ash Wednesday Service in the Chapel 6:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>: Deacon Training: First Baptist 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. All Current Deacons and anyone who is interested is welcome. Please call the office to sign up so we have a head count. Lunch is included.**

**Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>: Deacon Crockpot Social in Fellowship Hall 12:00 p.m. as a Mission Opportunity Fund Raiser. Fix your favorite recipe and bring it to share. Salad, drinks and dessert will be provided.**

**Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>: REShape Leadership Training for all who are interested. First Baptist Church in Danville from 9:00 a.m.- 2:30 p.m. Deadline to sign up is February 28<sup>th</sup>. Cost for the lunch is \$10/person, you must have a reservation. Please sign up in the church office. More information can be found on the bulletin board outside the office.**

**Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>: Sunday School Training with Tony Brooks, BGAV Sunday School/Discipleship Specialist from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Starling Avenue Baptist Church. Please sign up in the church office, if interested.**

**During the Lenten season beginning with Ash Wednesday (March 6<sup>th</sup>), Community Midweek Lenten Services will be held at First United Methodist Church, on Wednesdays at noon, in the sanctuary. This series will include leadership from pastors from various denominations in town.**



**In case of inclement weather, tune in to WDBJ7, WSLS10, our website [www.firstbaptistmartinsville.com](http://www.firstbaptistmartinsville.com) or our Facebook page at: [www.facebook.com/FirstBaptistChurchMartinsvilleVA](https://www.facebook.com/FirstBaptistChurchMartinsvilleVA) for information concerning our worship service and activities.**

**If we need to cancel service, we will meet virtually via Facebook Live! If you have Facebook, go to the search bar at [www.facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com) and type in "First Baptist Martinsville." If you don't have a Facebook account, simply type the following into your Internet browser:**

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**On the page, you can scroll down until you see the Facebook Live (it'll be a video that says Live).**

# *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.*