

For the Worship of Almighty God

Epiphany Sunday

January 6, 2019

11:00 a.m.

IMMANUEL, GOD-WITH-US

Welcome Jerry Perdue

Prelude *Carol Medley for Epiphany*
Baxter Jennings, organist; Sam Roche, oboist

*Call to Worship Jerry Perdue

Leader: A new day has dawned, a new year begun.

People: O Lord, call to us so we may hear your voice.

Leader: The world turns to hopes and dreams of the future.

People: O Lord, keep us in your ways and on your path.

Leader: We enter this new year with hope and excitement.

People: O Lord, remind us that you lead us.

Leader: A new light shines in the sky.

People: O Lord, guide us to look to your light and find you,
just as the magi found Christ so many years ago.

*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 185 *We Three Kings of Orient Are* KINGS OF ORIENT

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 60: 1-6 (pg.639) John Collins

The Word of the Lord; Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Lesson Matthew 2: 1-12 (pg.835)

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

*Please stand as you are able

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

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 the Word of God swell richly in my heart from hour to hour,
so that all may see I triumph only through his power.

Morning Prayer Rev. Libby Grammer

WITH GIFTS BROUGHT

*Hymn 182 *Brightest and Best of the Stars* MORNING STAR

Prayer of Dedication Ross Gale

Offertory *Under the Starry Sky* Stamm
Baxter Jennings, organist; Sam Roche, oboist

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 *I Will Sing New Songs of Gladness* Dvorak/Blakley
Baxter Jennings, organist; Sam Roche, oboist

I will sing new songs of gladness, I will sing Jehovah's
praises upon a ten stringed psaltery.
Ev'ry day will I extol Thee, and will bless Thy holy name,
I will bless Thy holy name.

Great is God and great His mercy; who shall tell
of all his greatness? Who shall His pow'r declare?

My song shall be of praise and honour,
and of Thy glorious acts;
Thy works are wonderful, past our knowing.

Yea, men shall tell of Thy great kindness,
and of Thy wondrous might,
and my voice shall proclaim aloud Thy glory!

Sermon *Arise! Shine!* Rev. Grammer

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

The Prayer of Remembrance and Thanksgiving
Sharing the Bread and the Cup

WITH LIVED LIGHT

*Hymn 83 *Arise, Your Light Is Come* FESTAL SONG
(see insert)

*Benediction Rev. Grammer

*Benediction Response Amen Yannerella

Postlude *Toccata (from Suite No. 3)* Stamm

Today is Epiphany Sunday in the Christian year. Epiphany (January 6) celebrates the manifestation of God in Jesus Christ and the bringing of the message of Christ's birth to the Gentiles through the arrival of the magi to meet the young Jesus. The season after the Epiphany continues this emphasis, calling attention to the words and deeds of Jesus' earthly ministry by which his divine sonship is made manifest. The liturgical color for Epiphany Sunday is white, symbolic of the purity of Christ.

Please welcome our guest musician Sam Roche, oboist. Samuel Roche is a native of Danville and is a junior a VCU, majoring in music education. He is the principal oboist in the VCU Orchestra and Wind Ensemble.

PRAYER REMINDER

CHURCH FAMILY: John Abbott, Alice Bowman, Mary K. Clifton, Martha Crawley, Jean and Boyd Gray, George Lester, Mary Lou McGoldrick, Betty Minter, Amber Nowlin, Betty Prillaman, Edith Sanders, 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. Offering to date: \$ 981.75. This is the last week of the Mission Offering and envelopes may be found in the narthex. This offering supports the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship's Missionary Field Personnel like Bill and Noy Peeler.

MISSIONARY PRAYER: **Bill and Noy Peeler, Cambodia.** Bill and Noy Peeler serve the Khmer population of Cambodia in partnership with the Cambodia Baptist Union. A native Cambodian and former Buddhist, Noy first heard the gospel in a refugee camp and has been telling others about Jesus ever since. Bill is fluent in the Khmer language Education and as pastor of a Cambodian congregation.

Opportunities for the Week

Sunday, January 6

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship

12:00 p.m. Christmas Dinner

Monday, January 7

10:00 a.m. WMU meeting

7:00 p.m. Smith River Singers Concert

Tuesday, January 8

5:30 p.m. Personnel Committee meeting

Wednesday, January 9

5:30 p.m. Church Family Night dinner
6:15 p.m. Prayer time
7:00 p.m. WEE Ministry Pageant
7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, December 6

10:00 a.m. Bible Study-John

IN APPRECIATION: GENERAL FUND: A gift has been given in memory of Davis Walker by W. Jeffrey Kahn. **LIBRARY:** A gift has been given in memory of Esta Wilson by Steve and Joan Haynes. **GRACE NETWORK:** A gift has been given in memory of Esta Wilson by Marie Lannom.

Nursery Sunday Morning- Joan & Steve Haynes
Wednesday-Joan & Steve Haynes
Sunday Jan.13th – Julie Hall & Nita Gauldin

Church Christmas Lunch Today!

If you purchased a ticket for this event, please come to the Fellowship Hall following worship.



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

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.

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.

XYZ Outing, will be Tuesday, January 22nd at 1:00 p.m. We will meet at the church to watch a movie.

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: January-March
Beans & Peas (15 oz.)
(pinto, kidney, navy etc.) No black bean
Please leave food in Room 101

January 9th Wednesday Dinner Menu: Salisbury Steak w/gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad bar, roll, and cherry cobbler and ice cream.

New Wednesday Night Dessert & Coffee Fellowship begins January 16th!

We will gather each week for fellowship, prayer time, and a program beginning at 6:00PM. Rather than a full dinner, we will gather over dessert and coffee beginning at 6:00 PM and pray, snack, and learn together.

Please sign up in the church office to bring a dessert one week (enough to feed 20-40 people). Funds can be provided for costs, as needed. Thank you for joining us each week for our midweek fellowship and learning!

January Wednesday Schedule

Jan.9th- Prayer time and WEE ministry children's Christmas pageant.
Jan.16th - Dessert & Coffee fellowship, 6:00 PM; "Epiphany around the World" with Rev. Grammer.
Jan. 23rd – Dessert & Coffee fellowship, 6:00 PM; TBD with Rev. Grammer.
Jan. 30th – Dessert & Coffee fellowship, 6:00 PM; Church business meeting.

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

NEW Worship Video Ministry!

You may have noticed we aren't on the radio each Sunday anymore, but not to worry - we have a new ministry of video recording each service so you can feel as if you're with us in person, even when you can't be!

If you have internet access, please visit our website's worship section at www.firstbaptistmartinsville.com/worship and click on the service video you are interested in watching. (We also have audio of older services, too, if you're interested). You can watch these anytime/anywhere if you have access to the internet.

We also include the worship bulletin online with each service.

If you don't have internet access, please contact the church office to be added to our new DVD ministry list so you can receive a recorded copy of the service on DVD from your deacon or through the mail. This new ministry will roll out in early 2019.

We are grateful for the recording abilities of Mrs. Linda Dorr, but we are in need of other video operators! If you are willing and able to serve as a video operator during worship services, please contact the church office. We will get you quickly trained and ready to help us minister to those who can't come to worship!

Church Directories are ready!

The Church Directories can be picked up in the Bell Tower. If you had your picture taken, there is a folder with your name on it. If you did not have your picture taken, please contact the office for a copy.

First Baptist Church



Rev. Libby M. Grammer, Senior Pastor
Ross Gale, Worship Assistant
David Lewis, Director of Music
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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.