

To Our Guests

Thank you for joining us in worship today - we are so glad you came. During the service a small black notebook will be passed down each row of seats. Please write your information in the book so we can have a record of your attendance. We are delighted you have chosen First Baptist as your place of worship today. We look forward to seeing you again soon.

First Baptist Church Kids

The presence of children in worship is to be celebrated and is always welcome!

Nursery:

A nursery is located in the children's hall and is available during every worship service for children from birth through three years of age.

Younger Children in the Worship Service:

During worship, the Pastor will invite the children to come forward for the children's sermon. At the 11:00 service, children age four (by August) through second grade will be led by the Children's Minister to worship in Children's Church. Parents pick up their children from Children's Church room; ask an Usher or Staff Member if directions are needed.

Helping Children Learn to Worship:

Please participate in all aspects of worship; children learn by watching and doing what others do! Assist children who remain in the sanctuary for worship in the following ways:

- Try to sit toward the front, where it's easier for children to see & hear.
- Pray together.
- Voice the responses as indicated in the worship guide.
- Sing the hymns (showing them how to follow along in the hymnal).
- Follow along with the scripture reading, using pew Bibles.
- Allow them to help pass the offering plate down their row

Ministerial Staff

<i>Dr. Steve Davis</i>	<i>Pastor</i>
<i>Dr. Glenn Eernisse</i>	<i>Associate Pastor of Music and Worship</i>
<i>Rev. Jennifer Jindrich</i>	<i>Associate Pastor of Children & Church Administration</i>
<i>Rev. Christopher Simonton</i>	<i>Associate Pastor of Students</i>
<i>Mrs. Susan Eernisse</i>	<i>Director of Christian Education</i>
<i>Rev. Henry Tyson</i>	<i>Associate Pastor of Pastoral Care</i>

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Upcoming Opportunities

Sunday, December 29

11:00 a.m. Worship

Monday, December 30

7:00 a.m. Prayer Breakfast/Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, January 1 – New Year's Day

Church office closed

Sunday, January 5

8:30 a.m. Worship

9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all Ages

11:00 a.m. Worship

12:00 p.m. 56ers trip to SkyZone

6:00 p.m. RSI – The Gospels/Upstairs at The Place

Monday, January 6

7:00 a.m. Prayer Breakfast/Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, January 7

7:20 a.m. High School Boys' Bible Study/The Place

Wednesday, January 8

4:00 p.m. Youth Open Place and Bible Study

5:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper/Fellowship Hall

5:30 p.m. CAM3 & CAM3jr

6:00 p.m. Wednesday Worship/Fellowship Hall

6:00 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 9

7:00 a.m. High School Girls' Bible Study/The Place

Saturday, January 11

10:00 a.m. Rise Against Hunger/Fellowship Hall

6:00 p.m. Watercolor Workshop/Upstairs at The Place

Sunday, January 12

8:30 a.m. Worship

9:30 a.m. Missions Breakfast/Fellowship Hall

9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all Ages

11:00 a.m. Worship

12:00 p.m. Slovakia Team Meeting

6:00 p.m. Watercolor Workshop/Upstairs at The Place

6:00 p.m. Youth Games

Monday, January 13

7:00 a.m. Prayer Breakfast/Fellowship Hall

12:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting/Heritage Room

Tuesday, January 14th

7:20 a.m. High School Boys' Bible Study/The Place

5:30 p.m. Missions Team Meeting/Heritage Room

5:30 p.m. Walk to End Alzheimer's Meeting/Oasis



Dr. Steve Davis

Pastor

December 29, 2019

11:00 AM Worship

Caring People Sharing God's Love

Sunday Morning Worship

Broadcast on Radio Station 102.7 FM
Tracy Rainwater, Pianist Danny Underwood, Organist
December 29, 2019 • 11:00 a.m.

Please take a moment to silence your cell phone and other devices. Sound amplification devices are available at the soundboard.

**Please stand as you are able.*

Meditation

When the song of the angels is stilled,
When the star in the sky is gone,
When the kings and princes are home,
When the shepherds are back with their flock,
the work of Christmas begins:
To find the lost,
To heal the broken,
To feed the hungry,
To release the prisoner,
To rebuild the nations,
To bring peace among others,
To make music in the heart.

Howard Thurman

The Revelation of God

Chiming of the Hour

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Today we light the Christ candle to celebrate the birth of Emmanuel, God with us.

Welcome & Invocation Delo O'Neill

Prelude "Alleluia, Alleluia!/Hallelujah Chorus"
Beethoven/Handel

Call to Worship Allie Tribble

Leader: The heavens are bursting forth with God's glory!

All: God's mighty acts of power and love are sung by God's angels!

Leader: From the darkness of our night, God has brought us salvation.

All: We have not been forgotten!

Leader: Thanks be to God who has come to us as a baby, reminding us of God's love.

All: Praise be to God who comes to save and lead us.

*Hymn 143 "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" GO TELL IT

Children's Sermon Rev. Jennifer Jindrich

Litany Allie Tribble

Leader: We give thanks to you God, for the body of a tiny baby,

All: Life and breath in a tiny ribcage.

Leader: Emmanuel, God with us, a promise of salvation.

All: We give thanks for the light of a star, for the radiance of angels,

Leader: For the running feet of shepherds, for all the joy of that first Christmas.

All: We thank You for today, that you have given our bodies life and breath this Christmas,

Leader: That we are here, now, gathered with Your people, joined in one accord in prayer to You.

All: May the light of Jesus shine in our hearts in this service of worship, and as we depart to serve You.

Prayer for God's People Dr. Glenn Eernisse

The Lord's Prayer Dr. Eernisse

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*Hymn 110 "Away in a Manger" MUELLER

Proclamation of the Word

Scripture Luke 22:24-31 Allie Tribble

Pew Bible pp. 857-858

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Musical Offering Neidlinger

"The Birthday of a King"

Dr. Larry Frazier, bass

Sermon "We All Have a Story"
Rev. Tommy Greer

Profession and Dedication

Now is the time for all worshippers to voice their response to the message. All desiring to publicly become members of the church should walk to the steps down front, where a pastor will meet and assist you during this hymn.

*Hymn 499 "I Surrender All" SURRENDER

Presentation of New Members

Thanksgiving and Offering

Prayer of Stewardship Delo O'Neill

Offertory "What Child is This"
Traditional/Smith-Hustad

*Hymn 706 Doxology OLD 100TH
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him, above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Commission to Serve

Spoken Benediction Dr. Eernisse

Leader: We are a people called First Baptist Church;

All: Caring people sharing God's love.

We carry the candle's light through the outer doors of the sanctuary to symbolize the presence of a living God in our world.

*Hymn 103 "O Come, All Ye Faithful" ADESTE FIDELES
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

Postlude "Joy to the World" Handel/Innes