

The Worship of God

January 22, 2017

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

The Gathering

Life and faith are lived between moments of waiting. God acts, Jesus is born, the spirit given, yet we still wait. We look forward to a better day. And when the wait is finally over, we are invited to testify. We wait for this hour of worship.....what will God do today?

Invitation to Worship

Prelude "Prelude on LAUDES DOMINI" arr. Gordon Young

Choral Introit "The Lord Is in His Holy Temple" Freeman
Opening of the Bible Cameron Maddox

Call to Worship Jenna Young

Leader: Come and see, for Christ is here.

People: Come and see the glories of God.

Leader: Come and hear, for Christ is calling.

People: Come and hear the Word of the Lord.

Leader: Come and know the love of God.

People: Come and know the mercy of Christ.

All: Come, and worship Jesus our Lord.

Hymn No. 99 "When Morning Guilds the Skies" LAUDES DOMINI
Lighting of the Christ Candle

The Children's Time

Christian Greetings Ashley Whitfield

Scripture Lesson Isaiah 40:1-11

Prayer of Confession

Minister: Merciful God, you know our strengths and our weaknesses.

People: You know where we most need to listen, and where we most need to act.

Minister: Forgive us for speaking when you need for us to be silent.

People: Forgive us for sitting still when you need for us to move forward.

Minister: Wash over us with your mercy and grace, that we may find strength, even in our weaknesses.

People: Call to us with persistence and trust, that we may answer your call and live as your disciples.

Morning Prayer

Hymn No. 622 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" CONVERSE

Gospel Lesson John 1:29-42

Anthem "Behold the Lamb of God" Glarum

Sermon "No Ordinary Time" Dr. Ray Howell III

Hymn No. 710 "We Are Called to Be God's People" AUSTRIAN HYMN

Offertory Prayer Jerry Beamer

The Offertory "Chime Prelude" Raymond Herbek

Doxology

Choral Benediction "As You Go, O Live for Him" Blankenship

Postlude "Diapason Dialogue" Gordon Young

Today's Lay Reader is Jamie Young

Musicians for today's service

Beverly Khemlani – Organist Sanctuary Choir

First Baptist Church

Lexington, NC

Today's Schedule

8:30 a.m.	Missional Leadership Team	Fellowship Hall
9:00 a.m.	Prayer Group	Conference Room
2:30 p.m.	WOW (Win Over the World) for Jesus Team	Fellowship Hall
5:00 p.m.	Search Committee	Parlor
6:00 p.m.	Youth Snack Supper	Children's Dining Hall
6:30 p.m.	Youth Activities	Attic
7:00 p.m.	Deacons	Parlor

Birthday Banquet

The Birthday Banquet is this Wednesday. Today is the deadline to make reservations. The North Davidson Senior High Jazz Band will provide entertainment. The cost is \$8.00 for adults, \$6.00 for children and \$25.00 family limit. Do not miss this great night of Christian fellowship and celebration.

Blessing Bags

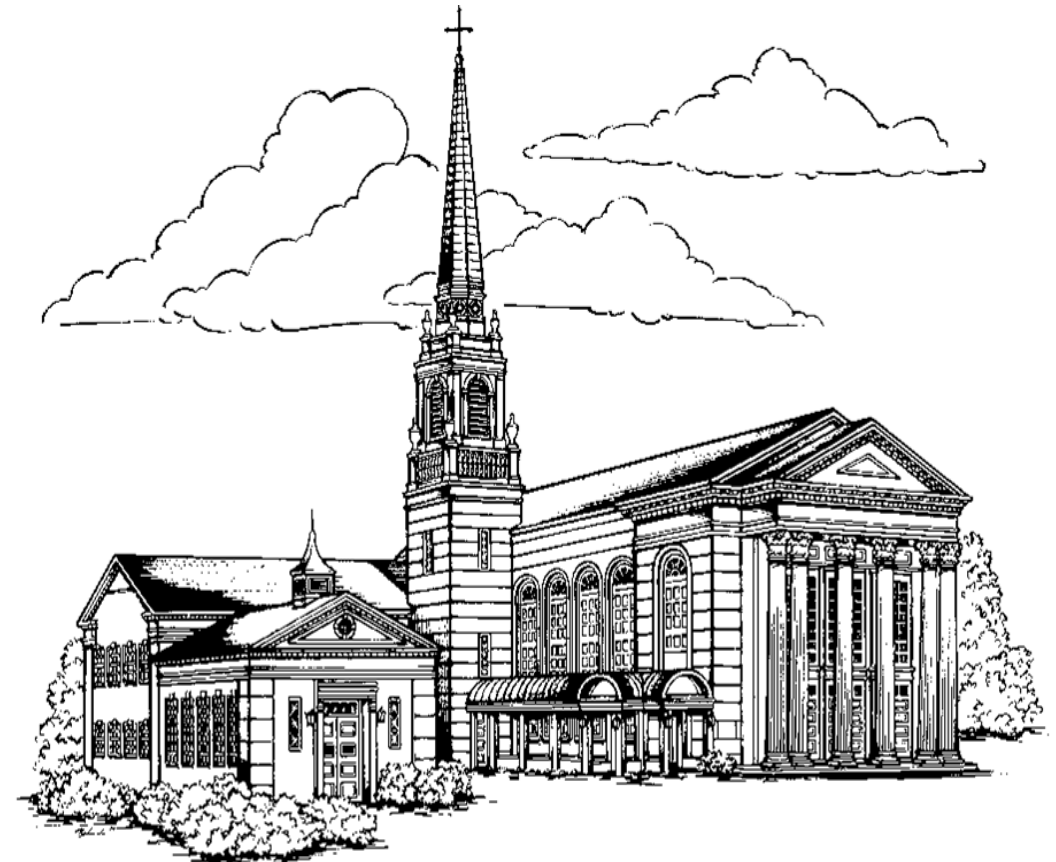
Lily Thornhill is providing "Blessing Bags" for patients and families at the Hinkle Hospice House. Items needed include: travel size toiletries, hair brushes, notepads, crayons and coloring books, and lip balm.

Dr. Terry Hamrick – Missional Leadership Workshop March 3 & 4, 2017

On March 3 and 4, 2017, Dr. Terry Hamrick will be conducting a Friday evening-Saturday morning workshop on Missional Leadership at First Baptist. More information will be announced.

Extended Sessions: January 22: Bed Babies-M/M Jim Skotthy: Toddler/2 Year Olds-M/M Lee Davis: 3 and 4 Year Olds-Alyson Honeycutt & Grace Upton

January 29: Bed Babies-M/M Richard Baxley: Toddler/2 Year Olds-M/M Bryan Lingerfelt: 3 and 4 Year Olds-Ray Nance Howell, Andy Killebrew, Ethan Houser



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