

The Worship of God

January 25, 2015

Eleven o'clock in the morning

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

THE GATHERING

Today is a day to renew our covenant with God. Gathered around a table, Jesus established a new covenant through His body and blood. We gather around His table again today, as we have many times before, to be reminded of His covenant with us, to renew our covenant with Him, and to solidify our covenant with our church family. This is a good day. God is here. Come; let us worship together.

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Communion on Two American Folk Hymns* arr. Alice Jordan

CHORAL INTROIT *This Is God's Beloved Son* MOWSLEY

CALL TO WORSHIP Zoey Mize

Leader: Come into the presence of the Lord.

People: **All are welcome here.**

Leader: Come, sinners and saints alike.

People: **We are the children of God.**

Leader: Christ is with us now.

People: **God's love will heal our hearts.**

Leader: Christ has called us here.

People: **We lift our voices with songs of Praise!**

HYMN NO. 108 *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* MADRID

Lighting of the Christ Candle

THE CHILDREN'S TIME

CHRISTIAN GREETINGS

COMMITMENT EMPHASIS Kathryn Davis

SCRIPTURE LESSON Deuteronomy 15: 7-11

HYMN NO. 644 *God, Whose Giving Knows No End* BEACH SPRING

OFFERTORY PRAYER Lane Gilliam

OFFERTORY *Communion* Alexandre Guilmant

DOXOLOGY NO. 809 (Stand In Unison) OLD HUNDREDTH

COVENANT RENEWAL

CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

In Unison

First Baptist Church is a loving Christian fellowship whose focus is worship of God in Christ Jesus according to our historic Baptist principles of freedom. We are committed to nurturing one another, sharing Christ with everyone, and seeking God's will in all we do.

CHURCH COVENANT (Reading alternates between minister and congregation)

SPECIAL MUSIC *Amazing Grace* arr. Walters

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN NO. 776 *Let Us Break Bread Together* LET US BREAK BREAD

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Minister: Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God!

People: **They will come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at table in the kingdom of God.**

Minister: This is the Lord's table.

People: **Our Savior invites those who trust him to share the feast which he has prepared.**

ANTHEM *In This Moment of Remembrance* Wood

Communion at the Lord's Table

The Bread

The Cup

HYMN NO. 291 *Sweet, Sweet Spirit* SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT

POSTLUDE *Passamezzo* Samuel Scheidt

Musicians for today's service

Beverly Khemlani - organ

Sanctuary Choir

Jim Barton - Alex Upton - Alto Saxophone Duet

Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Cornelia Coble upon her death January 19, and to the family of Mary Jo Shoaf upon her death on January 22.

The Deacons of the Week are Brian Walker and Chad Williams.

Announcements

Sunday, 1/25

9:00 a.m.	Sunday Morning Prayer Ministry	Conference Room
9:30 a.m.	Morning Coffee Gathering	2nd Floor Elevator Lobby
6:00 p.m.	Youth Snack Supper	Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m.	Youth Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m.	Deacons' Meeting	Parlor

Monday, 1/26

5:30 p.m.	Hand Bell Rehearsal	Chapel
7:00 p.m.	Winter Bible Study	Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, 1/27

10:30 a.m.	Winter Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
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Wednesday, 1/28

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.	Senior Adult Choir Rehearsal	Music Suite
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Child Care Babies (inform church if you need childcare)	Nursery
5:15 - 6:15 p.m.	*Dinner (children eat first)	Fellowship Hall
5:45 - 6:30 p.m.	GA's (Grades 1st thru 5th)	Room 212
	RA's	Room 202
	Mission Friends	Room 225
	Acteens	Room 206
6:30 - 7:15 p.m.	Joyful Singers (Age 4 - 1st Grade)	Room 206
	Chancel Choristers (Grades 2 - 5)	Music Suite
	Middle & High School Youth	The ATTIC
	Bible Study/Church Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
	Quarterly Business Meeting	
7:30 - 9:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Music Suite

Menu: Baked Tilapia, New Potatoes, Salad Bar, Lemon Cake

Children: Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich

RSVP by noon Monday

Extended Sessions:

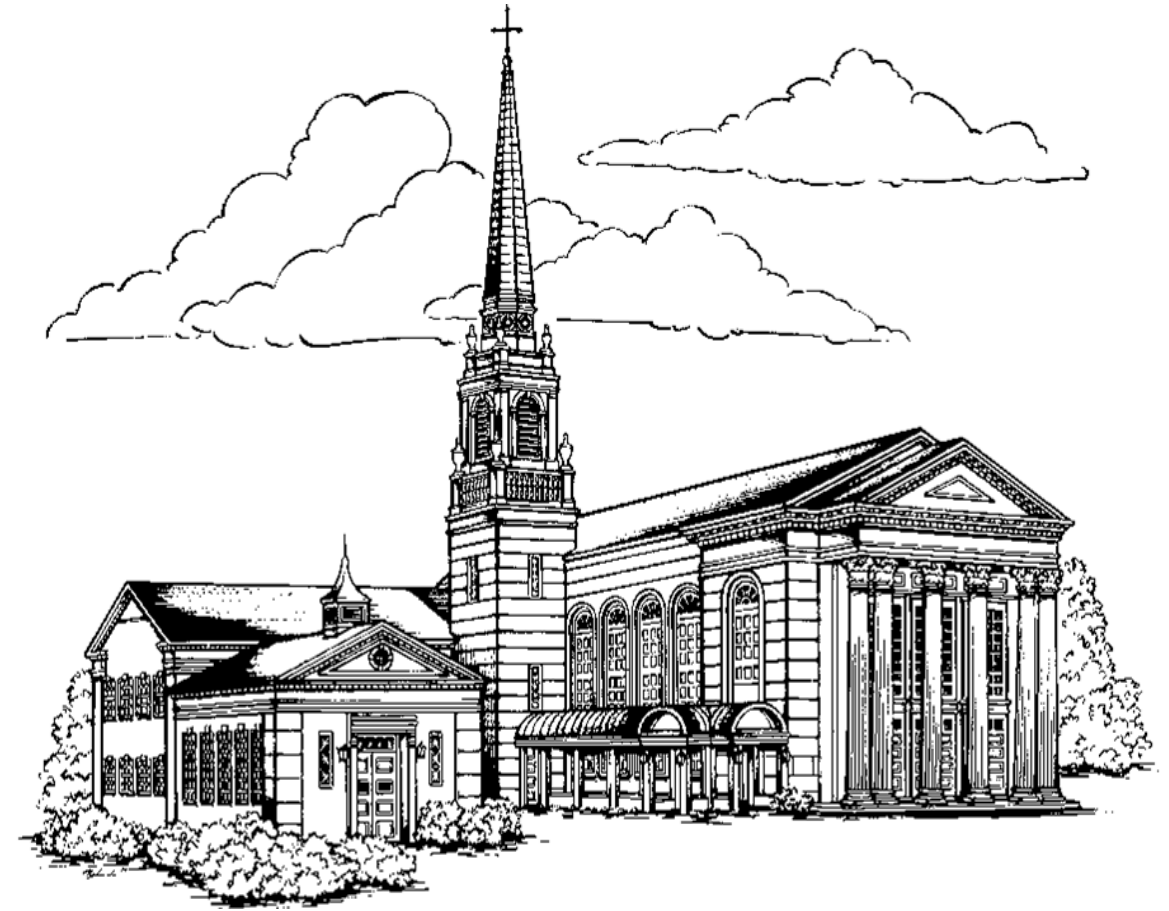
January 25: Bed Babies: Margaret Ann Maddox & June Honeycutt

Toddlers & 2 Year Olds: M/M Lee Davis **3 & 4 Year Olds:** Sandra Wilson & Jack Davis

February 1: Bed Babies: M/M Richard Baxley **Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** M/M Dustin Hill

3 & 4 Year Olds: Ray Nance Howell, Ethan Houser & Andy Killebrew

First Baptist Church Lexington, N.C.



RAY N. HOWELL III
Senior Minister

TOMMY WILSON
Associate Minister

JEAN ASHLEY
Martha Best Children's Center Director

PAUL FREEMAN
Minister of Music

Commitment Forms

As you exit the sanctuary, someone will be standing at the door with a basket to receive your commitment form. If you did not bring your form today, please complete and return to the church soon. We are grateful to our Commitment Committee for their dedication and excellent planning. Thank you for your commitment to Christ and His Church.



Soup and Sandwich Lunch and Bake Sale

Everyone is invited to take advantage of the Bake Sale in the Fellowship Hall following the worship service. The proceeds will benefit our Youth Mission trips this summer. We have 14 youth and adults going to Passport in July. We have 29 youth and adults going on our Youth Mission Trip to Belize in August. A limited number of Soup and Sandwich tickets will also be available at the door.

Bible Study Begins This Week

Our Monday night/Tuesday morning Bible Study will resume this week. We will complete our study on the Beatitudes and look at highlights from the Sermon on the Mount. Details will also be available on this year's Bible Study Field Trip, May 4-7. We meet in Fellowship Hall Monday nights at 7:00 and Tuesday mornings at 10:30.



25th Annual Birthday Banquet



Wednesday, February 11
5:45 p.m. - Fellowship Hall

Adults: \$6.00 Children 12 and under \$4.00
Family Limit \$20.00

Entertainment: Ken Davis

Tickets are required and are on sale now through Sunday, February 1.

Menu: Chicken Diane over Pasta, Spinach Salad with Mandarin Oranges and Craisins Salad with a Raspberry Vinaigrette, Bread, Cake/Ice Cream
Children: Chicken Tenders

Parker Lecture

Susan Sparks, Lecturer

Saturday, January 31, Dinner and Lecture

6:00 p.m. - Fellowship Hall

“The Power of Humor in the Spiritual Path”

Menu: Flank Steak with Plum Ginger Sauce, Asparagus, Mashed Potatoes, Bread, French Silk Pie

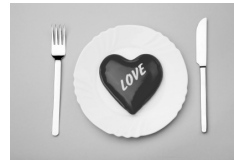
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Reservations requested by Today, January 25

Sunday School 10:00 a.m. - February 1 - Fellowship Hall

Worship Service 11:00 a.m. - Sanctuary

MBCC Fundraiser - Valentine Luncheon



Friday, February 13 - 12:00 - 1:00 p. m.

- FBC Fellowship Hall

Ham or Turkey Sandwich, Potato or Pasta Salad,
Fruit Cup, Tea and Dessert

Cost: \$10.00 Adults \$5.00 Children

Tickets will be on sale during today's Soup and Sandwich Lunch for the annual MBCC fundraiser on Friday, February 13. This delightful luncheon enables our Children's Center to provide Christian childcare for families in financial distress. You can bless the life of a child by supporting the lunch on February 13.

Silent Auction for Baskets will Open Sunday,
February 8 through Lunch on Friday February 13

FBC Children

Wednesday, February 4th

6:30 p. m. - MBCC Children's Dining Area

The Open Door Sunday School Class has a passion for the children's ministry of this church. After much exciting and uplifting discussion within our own class, we feel led to begin a conversation about the planning of this year's Vacation Bible School, a possible Children's Church Program, and any other children's ministry opportunities that may be out there. We would like to invite whoever is interested to attend our first meeting.