

The Worship of God

February 12, 2017

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

The Gathering

God invites us to choose life this day. Could it really be that simple? Could the vast majority of our uncertainties and our insecurities fade away if we simply decided to choose life today? The hardest things in life are the least complicated. Choose life. Worship God.

Invitation to Worship

Prelude "Carillon" Gordon Young

Choral Introit "The Lord Is in His Holy Temple" Freeman

Opening of the Bible Jake Brown

Call to Worship Harrison Fulbright

Leader: Happy are those who walk in the paths of righteousness.

People: Blessed are those who walk in God's ways.

Leader: Happy are those who seek God with integrity.

People: Blessed are those who find comfort in God's teachings.

Leader: Happy are those who come together in unity.

People: Blessed are those who choose life,

All: And sing our great Redeemer's praise!

Hymn No. 130 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" AZMON

Lighting of the Christ Candle

The Children's Time

Christian Greetings Jim Tate

Old Testament Lesson Deuteronomy 30: 15-20

Morning Prayer

Hymn No. 609 "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" SHOWALTER

Gospel Lesson Mark 3: 20-27

Anthem "Rejoice, the Lord Is King" Young

Sermon "The Greatness of Real Goodness and the Goodness of Real Greatness"

Hymn No. 155 "O Little Town of Bethlehem" ST. LOUIS

Offertory Prayer Johnny Beck

The Offertory "King of Love My Shepherd Is" arr. C.S. Lang

Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

Choral Benediction

Postlude "Voluntary" Rinck

Today's Lay Reader is Deb Watson

Today's Service

Beverly Khemlani – Organist Sanctuary Choir

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given in loving memory of Don Minner by his family.

Welcome New Member

We joyfully welcome Nancy Blackburn into the fellowship of our church. Nancy comes to us by letter of transfer from a sister congregation.

First Baptist Church

Lexington, NC

Weekly Schedule

Sunday	5:00 p.m.	Youth Choir
	6:00 p.m.	Youth Snack Supper
	6:30 p.m.	Youth Activities
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Holy Land Presentation
Tuesday	10:30 a.m.	Holy Land Presentation
Wednesday	3:00 p.m.	Missional Leadership Team
	4:30 p.m.	Senior Adult Choir
	5:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Meal
	6:30 p.m.	Dr. Matt Cook

Welcome Dr. Matt Cook

Dr. Cook is pastor of First Baptist Church in Wilmington and past Moderator of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship. He will meet with the Missional Leadership Team in the church parlor at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday and will speak at 6:30 p.m. that evening in the fellowship hall.

March 19 – Chili Cook-off Youth Fundraiser

Reservations can be purchased today for the March 19th Youth Chili Cook-off. We also need volunteers to make chili and desserts. Adults are \$8.00, children \$6.00 with a \$25.00 family limit.

No Wednesday Night Meal or Activities on February 22

Jr/Sr Chili Supper is scheduled for February 25

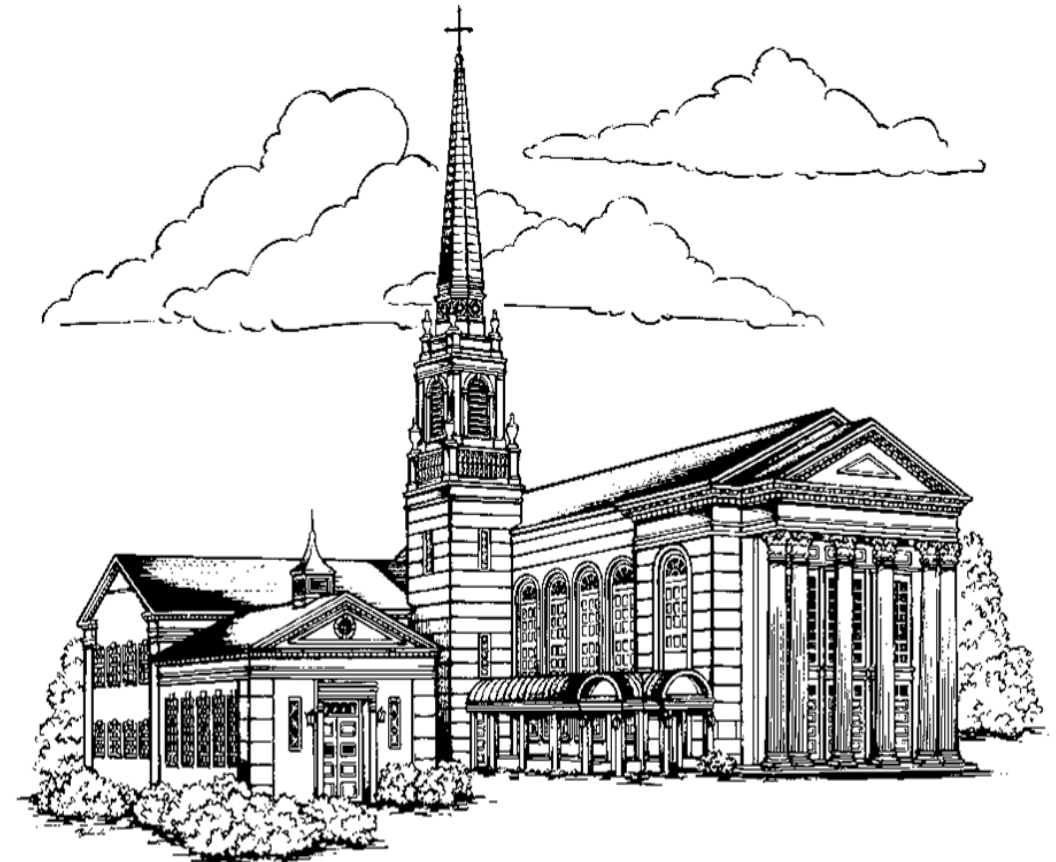
Extended Sessions: February 12: Bed Babies-Jen Fuller Allen & Brooke Williams:
Toddler/2 Year Olds- M/M Zak Young: **3 and 4 Year Olds-**M/M William Fulbright
February 19: Bed Babies-M/M Nathan Houser: **Toddler/2 Year Olds-**Sandra
 Blackwelder/Crystal Alexander: **3 and 4 Year Olds-**Brenda Sprinkle/ Sarah & Spencer Hall

Wednesday Night Menu: Shepherd's Pie, Garlic Bread, Salad Bar

Children's Menu: Pizza

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