The Worship of God

January 21, 2018

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

The Gathering

The service of worship will seek to return you to a sense of expectancy. It will call you with awe and reverence. It will enrich you with humility and lead you with joy. It will unite your heart with those around you and open your heart to the world about you. Today's worship will remind you of our mutual calling to come and follow Jesus.

Pre-Service MusicJim Barton, Ken Auman, Jimmy Davis, and Ralph Ashley
Accompanied by Peggy Barnhardt

Announcements of the Church

Prelude "Prelude on a Bourgeois Tune" Gordon

Young

Choral Introit "Come Let Us Worship and Bow Down" arr. Freeman

Opening of the Bible Daisy

Ward

Call to Worship Harrison Fulbright

Leader: The call of Christ compels us.

People: We join with Christ who laid down his life for us.

Leader: The love of our neighbors compels us.

People: We join one another on the journey of faith.

Leader: The needs of the world compel us.

People: We join with community in serving one another.

Leader: The call of Christ compels us.

People: We will follow him.

Hymn No. 62 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" ST. DENIO

Lighting of the Christ Candle

The Children's Time

Christian Greetings

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 25: 1-10

Anthem "I Need Thee Every Hour" John Ness Beck

Morning Prayer

Hymn No. 591 "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" REST

Gospel Lesson Mark 1: 14-20

Sermon "Straightway" Dr. Ray N. Howell III

Hymn No. 576 "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" ASSAM

Offertory Prayer Don Watson

The Offertory "Meditation" George Oldroyd

Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

Choral Benediction "Lord Let Us Now Depart In Peace" arr. Freeman

Postlude "Kyrie" Francois Couperin

Today's Lay Reader is Brannon Gilliam

Today's Service

Beverly Khemlani, Organist Sanctuary Choir

Christian Sympathy

Heartfelt Christian sympathy is extended to Evelyn Kepley and her family in the death of her husband Don Kepley on January 12th.

Sunday Service Warm-Up

Join us in the Sanctuary each Sunday morning at 10:40 a.m. for special music provided by FBC members. Next Sunday will feature Brannon Gilliam and Lee Spears.

This Week at First Baptist

Every Sunday at 9 a.m.

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Coffee and fellowship on the Second Floor
Today at 5 p.m.

Youth Choir followed by Youth Activities at 6 p.m.

Wednesday following the Birthday Banquet

Sanctuary Choir in the Music Suite

Parker Lecture Dinner

The 2018 Parker Lectures with Dr. Pam Durso will begin Saturday, February 3rd, with a meal in the Fellowship Hall. The cost is \$8 with a \$5 cost for children. You can make a reservation by emailing Wednesday@fbclex.org or by calling the church office. We do need volunteers to help serve the meal. Please let us know if you need childcare.

Junior/Senior Chili Night

You are invited to the chili dinner this Saturday at 5 p.m. Contact Sharon Palmer at kd40ga@aol.com for details.

Attention: All Extended Session Volunteers and Children's SS Teachers!

The Open Door Sunday School Class would like to invite you and your family to a "thank you" lunch immediately following the worship service on Sunday, February 11th in the fellowship hall. Please RSVP to Kelly Lambeth at kelslambeth@gmail.com.

Birthday Banquet

The Birthday Banquet is Wednesday at 5:45 p.m. Today is the final day for reservations.

Bible Study

Dr. Howell will begin his Bible Study "The Parables of Jesus" this Monday night at 7 p.m. and Tuesday morning at 10:30 a.m. All sessions are in the Fellowship Hall.

Extended Sessions:

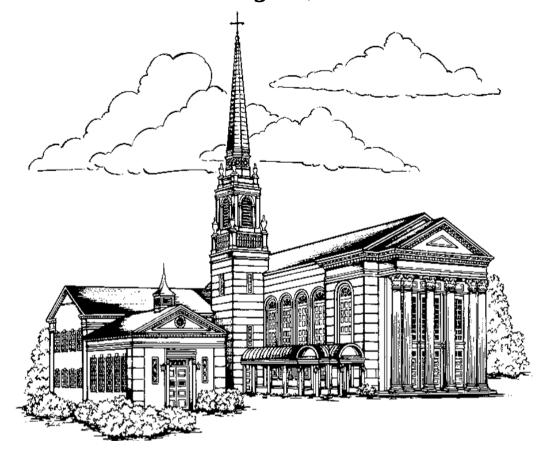
January 21st Bed Babies- Wendy Skotthy Toddler/2 Year-Olds- M/M Bryan Lingerfelt 3 and 4 - Year Olds- M/M Dale Frank

January 28th **Bed Babies-**M/M Richard Baxley **Toddler/2 Year-Olds-** M/M Zak Young **3 and 4 - Year Olds-** Ray Nance Howell/Tori Houser

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