## The Worship of God

**January 20, 2019**  
**Second Sunday after the Epiphany**

### The Gathering

“Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that.”  
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

### Pre-Service Music

**Prelude**  
“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”  
C.S. Lang

**Choral Introit**  
“Holy Spirit, Light Divine”  
MERCY

**Opening of the Bible**  
Jordyn Young

### Call to Worship

**Leader:** Your love, O God, reaches up, beyond the sky.  
**People:** Your goodness goes higher than the clouds.

**Leader:** Your power is bigger than the tallest mountains.  
**People:** Your truth goes deeper than the ocean.

**Leader:** Continue in your steadfast love!  
**People:** Joy of heaven to earth come down!

### Hymn No. 558

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”  
BEECHER

**Lighting the Christ Candle**

### The Children's Time

**Christian Greetings**

### Old Testament Lesson

**Hymn No. 531**  
“O Love That Will Not Let Me Go”  
ST. MARGARET

### Morning Prayer

### Gospel Lesson

John 7: 37-39; 8:12

### Anthem

“Wonderous Love”  
Paul Christiansen

### Sermon

“A Love That Forgives”  
Dr. Ray N. Howell III

### Hymn No. 478

“My Savior’s Love”  
MY SAVIOR’S LOVE

### Offertory Prayer

“O Love That Will Not Let Me Go”  
Austin C. Lovelace

### Doxology

OLD HUNDRETH

### Choral Benediction

“God Be With You”  
GOD BE WITH YOU

### Postlude

“Passamezzo”  
Samuel Scheidt

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**Today's Lay Reader is Debbie Tate**

**Musicians for Today's Service**

Beverly Khemlani, Organist  
Sanctuary Choir

**Christian Sympathy**

Heartfelt Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Kathryn Frye who passed away on January 17, 2019.

**Budget Update**

Received last week - $6,820.16  
2018 Church Deficit - $11,608.75
This Week at First Baptist

Today at 9 a.m.  Prayer Ministry in the Conference Room
Today at 9 a.m.  Finance Committee in the Parlor
Today at 9:30 a.m.  Coffee and fellowship on the Second Floor
Today at 6 p.m.  Youth Snack Supper in FH followed by youth activities
Today at 4:00 p.m.  Book Lovers Club rescheduled meeting in the Library
Wednesday at 7 p.m.  Sanctuary Choir in Music Suite

The Church Office and MBCC Closed on Monday in Observance of MLK Day

Faith Factory
Faith Factory will resume on January 27 at 4 p.m. on the 2nd floor. All children Pre-K to 5th grade are invited to come. We will continue learning the books of the Bible and talking about the Armor of God.

2019 Family Life Retreat
The 2019 Family Life Retreat will be March 15-17 at Caswell. Dr. Andy Jung will lead the retreat on “Growing Young”. We hope to have a large group to attend. Please contact Wendy Walker for details.

Jr/Sr Chili Supper
The Jr/Sr Chili Supper will be held on January 26th at 5 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact Sharon Palmer at 336-798-1369 for more information.

MLK Worship Service at Union Baptist
Monday, January 21st at 7 p.m.

January 20th  Bed Babies-M/M Greg Briggs
2-4 Year Olds-M/M Dave Thornhill

January 27th  Bed Babies-M/M Brian Lancaster
2-4 Year Olds-M/M Dale Lambeth

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