The Worship of God

November 17, 2019

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

The Gathering

"We have gathered in this sacred place, again." May we continue to create here a circle of love, ever expanding, ever growing. A place of wisdom. A place of connection. A place of hope.

Prelude

"The Lord's My Shepherd"

Alec Rowley

Choral and Congregational Introit No. 536 "Open Our Eyes, Lord"

Arr. Allen

Opening of the Bible

Madden Ward

Call to Worship

Alex Ortiz

Leader: Come in, all who are tired and thirsty.

People: The Good Shepherd leads us to the green pastures.

Leader: Come in, all who are anxious and afraid.

People: The Good Shepherd is with us even in the valley.

Leader: Come in, all who are empty and in need.

People: The Good Shepherd fills our lives with goodness.

Leader: Savior, like a Shepherd lead us.

People: Much we need thy tender care.

Hymn No. 522

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

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Lighting the Christ Candle

The Children's Time

Christian Greeting

Gospel Lesson John 10: 1-11

Morning Prayer

Hymn No. 107 "Christ Be My Leader"

Scripture Lesson Psalm 23

Hymn No. 330 "The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want" CRIMOND

Offertory Prayer Tim Michael

The Offertory "O Love That will Not Let Me Go" Austin C. Lovelace

Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

Sermon "Can These Words Change Your Life?" Dr. Ray N. Howell III

Anthem "Psalm 23" Craig Courtney

Choral Benediction "Go Forth For God" Kenneth Duke

Postlude "Voluntary" V. Engel

Today's Lay Reader is Chad Killebrew

Music for Today's Service

Beverly Khemlani, Organ Nicolae Soare, Violin N

Naiara Sanchez, Violin

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Marion Wilson, Viola Lee Richey, Cello

John Spuller, Bass

The Sanctuary Choir

Salvation Army Christmas Angels

Angels are available in the sanctuary. Please record your name and contact information on the sheet on the table. Unwrapped gifts should be placed in a large bag with the Angel tag tied on the OUTSIDE. Place the gifts on the stage in the fellowship hall no later than Sunday, December 8.

Covered Dish this Wednesday

Covered Dish begins at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday followed by Budget Presentation at 6:30 p.m.

This Week at First Baptist

Today at 9 a.m.
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Monday at 7 p.m.
Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday at 7:15 p.m.

Prayer Ministry in the Conference Room Finance Committee Meeting in the Parlor Coffee and fellowship on the Second Floor Bible Study in Fellowship Hall Bible Study in Fellowship Hall Sanctuary Choir in the Music Suite

Christmas Food Boxes

This Christmas season our church will continue the tradition of providing a bountiful box of food to each of 60 local families with school-age children. The cost for each box is about \$75. Please support this ministry project by making a donation designated for "Christmas Food boxes." Also, please come help pack the boxes the morning of Wednesday, December 11. Pickup trucks especially are needed. For further information please contact Peggy Barnhardt or Jim Honeycutt.

Yams for Pastor's Pantry

Help us reach our goal of 300 cans of Yams for Pastor's Pantry by November 20.

Place the Yams in the container located in the elevator lobby.

Childcare for Nine Lessons and Christmas Eve

Please let us know if you need childcare for the Nine Lessons on December 15 or Christmas Eve. It is very important that you contact the church to make arrangements.

November 17th **Bed Babies-** Jen Fuller-Allen/Brooke Williams

2-4 Year Olds- M/M Donna Sink/Ben Bishop

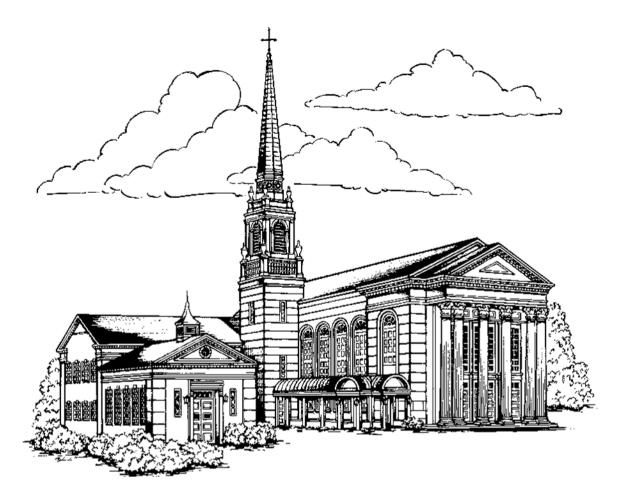
November 24th **Bed Babies-** M/M Jon Myers

2-4 Year Olds-June Honeycutt/Lori Gilliam

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