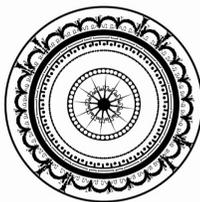


# First Baptist Church on Fifth



**The Worship of God**  
The First Sunday After the Epiphany  
January 13, 2019  
10:30am

Organ Voluntary: *Elegy* ..... G.T Thalben-Ball

Jacob Hill, Organ

Invitation to Worship ..... Emily Hull McGee

Call to Worship: Psalm 29:1-4,9b-11 ..... David Williamson

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

**People: Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name;  
worship the LORD in holy splendor.**

Leader: The voice of the LORD is over the waters;  
the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over mighty waters.

**People: The voice of the LORD is powerful;  
the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.  
And all who worship shout, "Glory!"**

Leader: The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;  
the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.

**People: May the LORD give strength to his people!  
May the LORD bless his people with peace!**

\*Processional Hymn 425: *How Firm a Foundation* ..... FOUNDATION

\*Passing of the Peace ..... Emily Hull McGee

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 43:1-7 (Pew Bible, OT, p.520) ..... Joy Gambill

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Anthem: *Be Not Afraid* ..... C. Courtney

Sanctuary Choir

Be not afraid for I have redeemed you; Be not afraid, I have called you by name. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; when you pass through the floods they will not sweep o'er you; when you walk through the fire, you will not be consumed; you are mine, you are precious in my sight. My love for you is everlasting, my love for you shall have no end. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; when you pass through the floods they will not sweep o'er you; when you walk through the fire, you will not be consumed; you are mine, you are precious in my sight.

Prayer of Confession ..... David Williamson

Leader: God loves us and calls us each by name.  
Knowing that we are eternally forgiven and infinitely loved,  
let us boldly confess our sins before God.

**People: Merciful God,  
We are precious in your sight,  
yet we often forget that we are your beloved.  
We confess that our love is fickle and inconsistent.  
We follow selfish goals and deny that our way of life  
often harms others and hurts your world.**

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**People: We are sorry and we want to change.  
Create in us a clean heart, strengthen our resolve,  
reconcile us one to another, and bless us with your peace,  
through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

Words of Assurance ..... David Williamson

Leader: Beloved daughters and sons, God forgives our sins;  
know that you are pardoned and be at peace  
to love the Lord and serve the world.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Gospel Lesson: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 (Pew Bible, NT, p.46)..... Norah Knight

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Pastoral Prayer ..... Amy McClure

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily  
bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass  
against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For  
Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

\*Hymn 561: *Shall We Gather at the River* ..... HANSON PLACE

Sermon: "Illuminating Identity: Who and Whose You Are" ..... Emily Hull McGee

\*Hymn of Response 448: *Come to the Water* ..... KELERIN

*All are invited to respond to God now in quiet or public ways. Our church  
welcomes you to share a new desire to follow in the way of Jesus or to  
join our congregation as a member. As we sing, please come to the front  
of the sanctuary and share your commitment with one of our ministers.*

\*Offertory Prayer ..... Randy Peters

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Choral Offertory: *Arise, O God, and Shine* ..... G. Young

Sanctuary Choir

Arise, O God, and shine in all Thy saving might, and prosper each design to spread Thy  
glorious light. Let healing streams of mercy flow that all the earth Thy truth may know.  
Bring distant nations near to sing Thy glorious praise; let every people hear and learn  
Thy holy ways! Reign, mighty God, assert Thy cause, and govern by Thy righteous  
laws! To God the only wise, the one immortal King, let hallelujahs rise from every living  
thing: let all that breathe, on every coast, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

\*Doxology ..... LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
O praise God! Alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
And praise the Spirit, Three in One,  
O praise God, O praise God!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

\*Benediction ..... Emily Hull McGee

Postlude: *Trumpet Tune* ..... M. McCabe

Jacob Hill, Organ

\*Those who are able will please stand.

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## **FLOWERS**

The flowers today are given to the glory of God  
and in honor of Jacob Hill, Organist and Music Associate,  
in celebration of his 5 years of ministry at First Baptist Church.

## **ILLUMINATING IDENTITY:**

### **A WINTER PREACHING SERIES FOR THE SEASON OF EPIPHANY**

By the light of that Bethlehem star, we enter into the season of Epiphany, the time where we learn more about who Jesus Christ is and why he matters. The lectionary orients us primarily to the Gospel of Luke, where stories of Jesus's early ministry illuminate for us his identity as Son and Savior, Healer and Liberator. But within the beam of the Light of the World, we too find our identity as God's beloved children. In a day and time where our public personas can be curated with every post or tweet, in an era when 'who we say we are' differs as roles shift with passing time, in a cultural context that encourages differences between people to define their identity, and in a season within our church where we are leaning into our changing future, let the texts and commitments of Epiphany remind us of who and whose we are!

#### **January 13 / Baptism of the Lord Sunday**

"Illuminating Identity: Who and Whose You Are"

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

#### **January 20 / Deacon Ordination**

"Illuminating Identity: Relational Beings"

John 2:1-11

#### **January 27**

"Illuminating Identity: Why You Are"

Luke 4:14-21

#### **February 3**

"Illuminating Identity: Permission to Grow"

Luke 4:21-30

#### **February 10**

"Illuminating Identity: What You Do"

Luke 5:1-11

#### **February 17**

"Illuminating Identity: Plain and Simple"

Luke 6:17-26

#### **February 24**

"Illuminating Identity: When It Gets Hard"

Luke 6:27-38

#### **March 3 / Transfiguration Sunday**

"Illuminating Identity: Holding On and Letting Go"

Luke 9:28-43a

**SUNDAY, January 13**

9:15 am Bible Study  
 10:30 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)

**MONDAY, January 14**

10:00 am Senior Adult Team Meeting (A-L Commons)  
 5:45 pm House & Grounds Committee Meeting (A-L Commons)  
 6:00 pm Personnel Committee Meeting (Conference Room)

**TUESDAY, January 15**

6:45 am Devotional Classics in the Commons (A-L Commons)  
 5:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting (Conference Room)

**WEDNESDAY, January 16**

12:00 pm Common Table with Pastor Emily (A-L Commons)  
 3:00 pm Youth Commons Time (A-L Commons)  
 4:00 pm Children & Youth Snack Time (A-L Commons)  
 4:30 pm Children's (2nd-5th) Handbells (Music Suite)  
 4:30 pm Youth Handbells (Sanctuary)  
 5:00 pm Pre-K Music & Missions (Children's Loft)  
 5:00 pm School-Age Music & Missions (Music Suite)  
 6:00 pm Wednesday Night Meal (Kelly Auditorium)  
 7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

**THURSDAY, January 17**

5:30 pm Adult Handbell Choir (Sanctuary)

**SATURDAY, January 19**

10:30 am Young Adult Brunch (Offsite)

**SUNDAY, January 20**

8:00 am Deacons' Meeting (Kelly Auditorium)  
 9:15 am Bible Study  
 10:30 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)  
 Deacon Ordination  
 2:00 pm Mochas with Mac (Offsite)

**SERVING TODAY**

Deacon of the Week.....Randy Peters, Joy Gambill  
 Nursery: Babies-Ones ..... Lara Arredondo  
 Nursery: Twos-PreK ..... Melissa Dellinger

**WORSHIP SERVICE BROADCAST**

Our Sunday Morning Worship Service is televised live at 10:30am on Cable Channel 1312 and is streamed live from our website at [firstonfifth.org](http://firstonfifth.org). Online giving is available at [give.firstonfifth.org](http://give.firstonfifth.org).

**MOCHAS WITH MAC**

*Sunday, January 20 - 2 pm*

Our next Mochas with Mac is planned for Sunday, January 20, at 2 pm at the Starbucks on Harvey St. Contact Amy McClure at [amcclure@firstonfifth.org](mailto:amcclure@firstonfifth.org) for details

**BIBLE STUDIES IN THE NEW YEAR  
DEVOTIONAL CLASSICS  
IN THE COMMONS**

*Tuesdays, 6:45-7:45am  
 Ammons-Lolley Commons  
 Beginning January 8*

Our Tuesday morning co-ed small group with Pastor David has resumed. We will begin the semester with a study of How to Pray, a collection of essays and reflections by C.S. Lewis. For more information or to order a book, please contact David at 722-2558 ext. 118 or [dwilliamson@firstonfifth.org](mailto:dwilliamson@firstonfifth.org).

**'COMMON TABLE' WINTER BIBLE  
STUDY WITH PASTOR EMILY**

*Wednesdays, 12:00-1:15 pm,  
 Ammons-Lolley Commons  
 January 16 - February 27*

This winter, all are invited to take their lunch hour, bring a lunch and a healthy measure of curiosity, and share together in fellowship and Bible study with Pastor Emily and one another as we delve into the prophet Micah and his writings in scripture. Gatherings will occur in the Ammons-Lolley Commons on Wednesdays from 12:00-1:15pm. Around our common table, we'll share in conversation about the particular scripture for the day, walking through a passage verse by verse with attention given to its historical context, textual translation, theological significance, and meaning for our lives.

For our winter study, our Common Table Bible Study will focus on the Old Testament prophet Micah, one who spoke words of judgment and words of promise to reveal God's justice for the world. These ancient words hold contemporary meaning for our church, as we seek to live as a community of bold love and boundless compassion right in the heart of the city. Each week, we'll read a chapter of Micah together, wondering how a deeper understanding of scripture will impact our own prophetic imagination as individuals and a community. Come and join us!

**SENIOR ADULT TRAVELERS'  
LUNCHEON COMING SOON**

You are invited to the annual Senior Adult Travelers' Luncheon at the 66 Grill located at 3440 Frontis St. in Winston-Salem (just off Stratford Rd.) on Thursday, January 31. We'll gather for a dutch treat luncheon at 11:45 am to discuss First on Fifth senior adult activities and travel plans for 2019. Be on the lookout for additional details. RSVPs are due by January 28. Please sign up at the table outside the A-L Commons or email Amy McClure at [amcclure@firstonfifth.org](mailto:amcclure@firstonfifth.org).

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN OFFERING  
ENVELOPES AVAILABLE**

We continue to be encouraged by your abundant support of our Capital Campaign! If you would like information on other giving options and/or want to request offering envelopes to use for your campaign gifts, please call the Finance Office - ext 103. On any Capital Campaign gift, please be sure to note that it is for the "Boundless Home campaign" so it is properly allocated.

**CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES  
ICE SKATING OUTING**

Join us for an afternoon of ice skating on Saturday, February 23 from 1:00 – 4:00 pm! Children, youth, and families are invited to enjoy an afternoon of open skating with their First on Fifth friends. Please meet in the skating rink lobby located at the fairgrounds no later than 1:00 pm. Cost is \$5/person (includes admission and your skate rental) and is due no later than the day of the event. Please sign up via <https://goo.gl/forms/GpqS2SxXle49tQEr2>

**YOUTH DATES TO NOTE**

**Winter Retreat at Black Mountain** is March 1-3. Cost is \$50. More details to come. Invite a friend! Please send Kim an email or text if you can go.

**PASSPORT**, July 8-13 at Furman University. Mark your calendars. More information to come.

**First Baptist Church****Our vision**

*We are a community in the heart of the city called by Jesus to practice bold love of God and neighbor and boundless compassion for all people*  
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