



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH AT WORSHIP

December 4, 2016

Eleven O'Clock in the Morning

Second Sunday of Advent

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Music for Gathering

Kay Greene

Ringing of the Hour

Introit

Of the Father's Love Begotten

Jim Hawkins

Prelude

The Promised Savior

-James Southbridge

Lighting the Advent Candles

Sydney Waldman

Response

Adeste Fidelis

*O come let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him,
O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord!*

Call to Worship

Jaime Fitzgerald

Wake us up, O Lord,

to the beauty and goodness that surround us.

Teach us patience, O Lord,

so that we might be faithful followers of Jesus.

Guide us in your ways of simplicity and contentment, O Lord,

for the sake of the world.

†**Hymn 76**, *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

VENI EMMANUEL

†**Invocation**

Olivia Miller

†**Passing the Peace**

Jeff Harris

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Children's Time

"Mr. Skip" Williams

(Kindergartners and preschoolers may leave for Children's Church after the Children's Time.)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Responsive Reading, Psalm 130

Dan Kimble

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the Lord!

For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

†Hymn 86, *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

ST. LOUIS

Scripture Reading, James 5:7-10 (p. 220) Matthew 11:2-11 (p. 16)

Jeff Harris

Anthem

Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning
(Wilson Edwards, drum)

-Andre Thomas

Sermon

“Be Patient: The Practice of Waiting”

Jeff Harris

RESPONDING IN FAITH

†Hymn 78, *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*

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(Those making decisions of faith, renewals of faith, or desiring to unite with our church through membership, may come forward at this time.)

†Offertory Prayer

Jim Hawkins

Offertory and Meditation

Infant Lowly, Infant Holy

-arr. Cindy Berry

†Doxology 253, *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD 100th

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Jeff Harris

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.

DEPARTING TO SERVE

Opportunities for Service

Jeff Harris

†Benediction

Jeff Harris

†Congregational Response

Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne

MARGARET

“O come to my heart, Lord Jesus, there is room in my heart for Thee”

†Postlude

Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella -Provençal Carol, arr. John Eggert

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| Sunday, December 4 | 9:45 10:00 11:00 5:00 | am am am pm | Children's Choir practice Sunday School Worship Annual Christmas Dinner |
| Monday, December 5 | 5:30 | pm | Mission Team meeting |
| Tuesday, December 6 | 10:30 10:30 | am am | WMU Group 1 Christmas luncheon Staff meeting |
| Wednesday, December 7 | 6:00 6:00 | pm pm | Bell Rehearsal Women's Bible Study – Rock House |
| Saturday, December 10 | 7:00 8:30 | pm am | Chancel Choir Rehearsal Firewood Ministry – Thermal Belt Outreach Ministries |

Acolytes for today's service are Jack Fox and McClain Koistinen.

If you are a guest, we are grateful you are here. Please complete a welcome card, which can be found in the pew pocket, and place it in the offering plate, so we can send you a written greeting. As you exit, we have a small gift to offer in appreciation of your presence.

Hearing assistance devices are available in the Narthex.

You're Invited! Our Annual Christmas Meal is today at 5pm. Prime rib, bread, and beverages are provided. Please bring a side dish, salad, or dessert to share.

Disaster Relief for Tennessee wildfires. We are collecting donations to help Tennessee Baptist Disaster Relief respond to the devastating fires that have ravaged the eastern part of their state. Envelopes are in the pew rack, or you may designate "Tennessee Wildfire Relief" in the memo line of your check.

The Community Chorus concert is Sunday, December 11, at 3pm. The concert is at Polk County High School, and is entitled "An English Christmas." Tickets are \$10, and may be purchased in advance from any Rotary member. All proceeds go to fund music scholarships.

Sisterhood will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, December 13 at the home of Judy Lair. Kay Greene will provide the program and each Sister is asked to bring cookies for the "Cookie Swap."

Surprise someone this Christmas by giving the gift of food! You may give a food box to Thermal Belt Outreach Ministry in memory or in honor of someone. The cost of each box is \$20. Envelopes are provided for this, and may be found at the entrances to the sanctuary.

December Mission – Kathy's Kids - Kathy Ashley will be available to give you a name of a needy child at Tryon Elementary School this year. Contact her directly. If you are not able to shop for a child, you can give a donation through the church marked "Kathy's Kids" and Kathy or members of Sisterhood will do the shopping.

Thanks for your generous and faithful giving in 2016. As you consider your giving for the upcoming year, we have provided a 2017 Estimate of Giving card for your own use. If you have not received one, there are Estimate of Giving cards at the entrances.

Thanks to all of you who have volunteered to serve on a ministry team. There is a place of service of everyone, and we hope that you will find your place. Teams differ from committees, in that you may stay with a team for as little or as long as you choose. There are sign-up sheets in the education hallway for each of these teams: Bereavement, Nursery, Children's Worship, Social, Greeter, Visitation, Mission, Youth Ministry, Children's Ministry, Helping Hands, and Safety.

November 27, 2016

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| Weekly Budget Giving | \$ 5,968 | SS Church | \$20 |
| Weekly Budget Goal | \$ 6,683 | Kathy's Kids | \$30 |
| YTD Budget Giving | \$ 325,709 | | |
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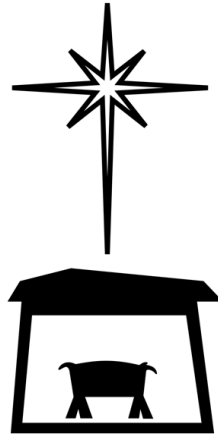
Kay Greene, Pianist

E. Leslie Raymond, Organist

John Spinks, Sexton

First Baptist Church of Tryon

“Simple Christmas”



- Sunday, November 27** **Advent 1, Wake Up!: The Practice of Paying Attention**
Sunday School, 10am
Worship, 11am
Children's Choir, 5pm
Refuge, 5pm
- Sunday, December 4** **Advent 2, Be Patient: The Practice of Waiting**
Children's Choir, 9:45am
Sunday School, 10am
Worship, 11am
Annual Christmas Dinner (Activity Building), 5pm
- Sunday, December 11** **Advent 3, How Much is Enough?: The Practice of Contentment**
Children's Choir, 9:45am
Sunday School, 10am
Worship, 11am
Community Chorus Concert, Polk County High School, 3pm
Refuge Christmas Party, 5pm
- Sunday, December 18** **Advent 4, Choir Cantata "Go Tell it on the Mountain"**
Sunday School, 10am
Worship, 11am
Christmas Caroling, 3pm, (Chips and salsa to follow)
- Saturday, December 24** **Christmas Eve Service, 5pm**
- Sunday, December 25** **Christmas Day Worship, 11am** (Come as you are, lots of carols, kid-friendly, with kids acting out the Nativity)