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**THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST TRYON**

Sunday, January 15	10:00	am	Sunday School
	11:00	am	Worship
	5:00	pm	Refuge
Monday, January 16	all	day	Office closed
Wednesday, January 18	10:00	am	Bible Study
	6:00	pm	Women's Bible Study
	6:00	pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00	pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, January 19	10:30	am	Staff Meeting

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Acolytes for this morning's service are Verae Upton and Durham McEntire.

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.

The third Sunday of each month, we collect an offering for the Food Pantry of Thermal Belt Outreach Ministry. This offering directly helps feed hungry families in Polk County. You may give to this offering as you exit today.

House and Grounds Committee will meet briefly in the Lair Sunday School Room after worship today. The Stewardship Committee will also meet after worship, in the church parlor.

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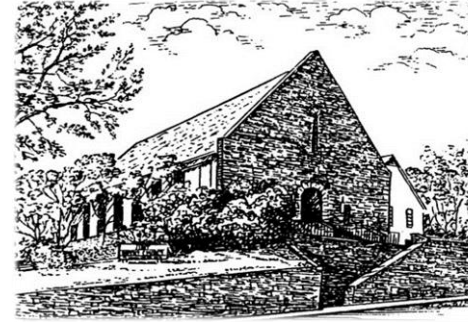
The Reverend Jim Hawkins,

Interim Minister of Music

Kay Greene, Pianist

E. Leslie Raymond, Organist

John Spinks, Sexton



**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**AT**  
**WORSHIP**

January 15, 2017

Eleven O'Clock in the Morning

Second Sunday after Epiphany

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**GATHERING TO WORSHIP**

**Music for Gathering**

Kay Greene

**Ringing of the Hour**

**Prelude**

*O, That I Had a Thousand Voices*

-Roger C. Wilson

**Call to Worship** (adapted from Psalm 40)

Jeff Harris

O God, you called us by name to come,  
and we respond with delight and gladness

**In joyful obedience,  
we come to worship our God.**

Rising out of the depths of despair,  
we gratefully gather for worship.

**In joyful hope,  
we come to worship our loving God.**

Our God had given us a new song  
of praise to sing to our Awesome God!

**In joyful trust,  
we come to worship our God. Amen.**

†**Hymn 54**, *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

FAITHFULNESS

†**Invocation**

Jim Hawkins

†**Passing the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Jeff Harris

**Children’s Time**

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

“Mr. Skip” Williams

**LISTENING FOR GOD’S WORD**

**Old Testament Reading**, Isaiah 49:1-7 (p. 644)

Jim Hawkins

**Responsive Reading**, Psalm 40:1-13

Jaime Fitzgerald

I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry.

**He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.**

He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.

**Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the Lord.**

Happy are those who make the Lord their trust, who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods.

**You have multiplied, O Lord my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts towards us; none can compare with you.**

Were I to proclaim and tell of them, they would be more than can be counted.

**Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have given me an open ear.**

Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required.

**Then I said, ‘Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me. I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart.’**

I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; see, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O Lord.

**I have not hidden your saving help within my heart, I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation: I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.**

Do not, O Lord, withhold your mercy from me; let your steadfast love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever.

**For evils have encompassed me without number; my iniquities have overtaken me, until I cannot see; they are more than the hairs of my head, and my heart fails me.**

Be pleased, O Lord, to deliver me; O Lord, make haste to help me.

†**Hymn 334**, *Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine*

ASSURANCE

**New Testament Reading**, I Corinthians 1:1-9 (p. 157)

JT Johnson

**Gospel Reading**, John 1:29-42 (p. 89)

Jeff Harris

**Anthem**

*How Can I Keep From Singing?*

-arr. Andy Beck

**Sermon**

“Singing a New Song”

Jaime Fitzgerald

**RESPONDING IN FAITH**

†**Hymn 450**, *I Need Thee Every Hour*

NEED

(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**

Alice Tennant

**Offering and Meditation**

*He Keeps Me Singing*

-arr. Cindy Berry

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

OLD 100<sup>th</sup>

*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, for ever. Amen.

**DEPARTING TO SERVE**

**Opportunities for Service**

Phil Pleasants

†**Benediction**

Jeff Harris

†**Congregational Response** *Blessed Assurance*

ASSURANCE

*This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long;*

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†**Postlude**

*All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name*

-Benton Price

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