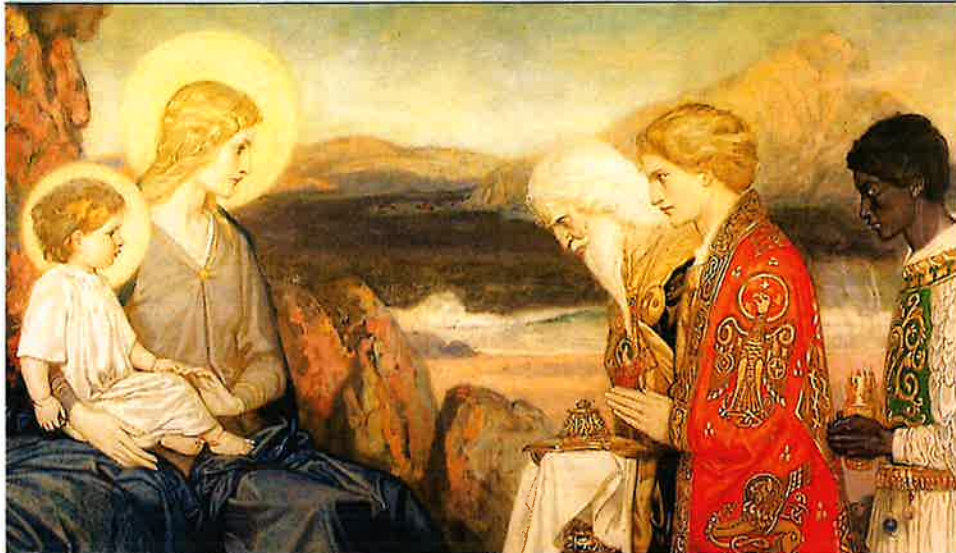


**First Baptist Church  
Greenwood, South Carolina  
January 6, 2019**

Wise people still seek Him, know Him,  
communion with Him, and live for Him.



**“The Adoration of the Magi”  
John Duncan  
1915**

**The Worship of God  
January 6, 2019  
Epiphany  
Holy Communion  
Morning Worship at Eleven O’ Clock**

Meditation: “To know God is to be transformed, and thus to be introduced to a life that could not otherwise be experienced.”  
– D. A. Carson

The Ministries and Opportunities of the Church David Jennings

Prelude “We Are Marching in the Light of God” Robert Farlee  
Ron Davis, Organist

The Lighting of the Gospel Candles

The Chiming of the Trinity

\*Processional Hymn 164 “O Sing a Song of Bethlehem” KINGSFOLD

\*Invocation Blake Kendrick

Welcome Blake Kendrick

Scripture Thoughts for Children David Jennings  
*(Immediately following Scripture Thoughts, children ages 3 years through K5 will meet a Children's Church worker at the back of the Sanctuary to go to Children's Church.)*

\*Hymn of Offering and Gratitude "Come and Feast, for All Are Welcomed"  
REGENT SQUARE

\*Offertory Prayer Vaughan Free

Offertory "He Comes to Us as One Unknown" Robert Powell  
Ron Davis, Organist

\*The Presentation of Gifts and the Congregational Response to God's Goodness  
"O Worship The King" LYONS  
(Hymn 52, vs. 1)

O worship the King, all glorious above,  
And gratefully sing His power and His love;  
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,  
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer Anna Burch  
Leader: Lord, in Your mercy  
Congregation: Hear our 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

Reading of Holy Scripture: Mark 10:42-45 Anna Griffis Atkins  
(Pew Bible, NT, p. 40)

Reader: This is the Word of God for our time and our lives.  
**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

Meditation "To Know and Live for Him" Tony Hopkins

**Anthem: "The Wonder of Grace"**

Come to the table. Come to the Savior, all who hunger and thirst for new life.  
Come to the banquet, all who are burdened. Come rejoice in the bread and the wine.  
Everyone come! God's feast has begun. This is the time, the place, a season of praise.  
The table is spread. The meal is prepared. Come taste the wonder of grace.

Come to the table, for all are welcome, all those who are weary and worn.  
Come gather closer, all who are lonely. Come, rejoice in the love of the Lord!  
Everyone come! The feast has begun. This is the time, the place, a season of praise.  
The table is spread. The meal is prepared. Come taste the wonder of grace.

Come and remember the life He gave. Come to His wounded side.  
Run to the Savior's fond embrace. His arms are open wide!  
Everyone come! The feast has begun. This is the time, the place, a season of praise.  
The table is spread. The meal is prepared. Come taste the wonder of grace.  
Come taste the wonder of grace. Come know the wonder of grace.

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**Celebration of Holy Communion**

**Sharing the Bread**

The communion elements in the center of the plate are gluten-free.

**Sharing the Cup**

\*Hymn of Commitment 405 "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" BRADBURY

\*Pastoral Benediction Tony Hopkins

Choral Benediction Response "The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve" AZMON  
(Hymn 520, vs. 3)

We go to be the hands of Christ, to scatter joy like seed  
And all our days, to cherish life, to do the loving deed.

Postlude "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" J. Bert Carlson  
Ron Davis, Organist

**Welcome to First Baptist Church**, a warm fellowship of Christian believers. We hope you enjoyed your visit today. Here you can find wonderful opportunities for worship, fellowship, and Christian growth. Please sign the register at the end of the pew and give us your contact information, and please join us again.

**Worship leaders** for today are: MaryLila Sims, Acolyte; Vaughan Free, Deacon of the Week; Anna Griffis Atkins, Scripture Reader; Chancel Choir; Ron Davis, Organist; Ministerial Staff: Tony Hopkins, Senior Pastor; Blake Kendrick, Associate Pastor; David Jennings, Minister of Administration; David Corbitt, Minister of Music; Anna Burch, Minister to Children.

## Opportunities for the Week

### Sunday, January 6

10:00 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Worship  
3:00 pm Committee Orientation - Fellowship Hall  
4:15 am *Sounds of Grace* Bonus Rehearsal - Bowers Classroom

### Monday, January 7

10:45 am Louise Bowers Circle  
3:00 pm Joann Gray Circle  
6:00 pm Rosemary Benjamin Circle

### Tuesday, January 8

Noon Young at Heart at J. Peter's

### Wednesday, January 9

4:15 pm *Sounds of Grace* Senior Adult Choir  
5:15 pm Children's Choirs  
5:30 pm Family Meal-Group 8  
Menu: Roast Beef, Potato Casserole, Green Beans  
6:15 pm The Grind  
6:30 pm Adults Bible Study Chancel Choir, CIAs, Infant and Toddler  
Childcare  
7:15 pm *Voices of Grace* Youth Choir

### Sunday, January 13

9:30 am Executive Committee  
10:00 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Worship - Dedication of Evans Funderburk  
Worship continues with baptism in Chapel

### Tuesday, January 15

12:05 pm Cheerful Cherubs Board Meeting

## CHURCH NEWS

**Committee Orientation, This Afternoon, 3:00 pm:** Committee Orientation for 2019 is scheduled for **3:00 pm this afternoon**. Everyone serving on a committee in 2019 is asked to gather in the Fellowship Hall for a period of orientation before spending time organizing with members of their respective committees. For additional information or questions about the Committee Orientation, please contact David Jennings.

**Sounds of Grace Spring 2019!** Remember the 1940s? What about the music? As the Second World War came to a close in Europe and the Pacific, Big Bands and singers filled the airwaves with music. Post-war tunes were light and fantasy-driven, but LOVE was always right up front. Want to try your hand (and voice) at the music of the 40s? Join the *Sounds of Grace* senior adult choir beginning in January. The *Sounds of Grace* choir will start with the 40s music this afternoon, January 6, at 4:15 pm in Bowers classroom downstairs [following church committee orientation]. Weekly rehearsals are Wednesdays at 4:15 pm in Bowers classroom and will resume on January 9.

**Yard Sale Items Needed:** The Rosemary Benjamin Relay team wants your "trash" that may be someone else's "treasure." Donations for the yard sale may be stored behind the stage in Fellowship Hall. Please hold large items until the week of March 4. The Yard Sale will be held Saturday, March 9, 7:00 am – noon. GFBC members are invited to a preview sale on Friday, March 8, at 7:00 pm.

**Young at Heart:** The Young at Heart will have lunch at J. Peter's at noon on January 8.

**Contemplative Wednesday:** The Contemplative Wednesday group will meet on January 9.

**NGO/Senior Adult Event:** Sunday, February 17, 2019 at 2:00 pm, Greenwood Community Theatre is presenting the Broadway musical "Oklahoma." This senior adult event is \$22.00 per ticket if tickets are purchased before Sunday, January 27, 2019. Checks should be made payable to GFBC for \$22.00 per ticket and given to Linda Sheffield before Sunday, January 27, 2019. The price is only available until January 27 and if the tickets are purchased through NGO.

## CHURCH NEWS (cont'd)

**NGO in February!** The Third Annual GFBC Follies only performance will be Tuesday, February 5, 11:15 am, with both new and familiar performers. Music, recitations, presentations, and humor fill the stage for a grand time of entertainment and fellowship. Join us in our own Follies program. Membership: \$5.00 for the year. Lunch: \$8.00 each meeting (contact Polly Harvin at 223-3240 by Thursday, January 31, for lunch reservations).

**Save the Date. February 3, 2019, "Souper" Bowl Sunday:** The Youth "Souper" Bowl event to raise funds for youth missions projects is February 3. Plan to remain after worship for a lunch of soup, salad, and desserts. No reservation is needed. *To Go* orders will be available. The cost of the meal will be whatever a person cares to donate. All proceeds will go toward this year's Passport Camp.

**Salt Shaker News:** Salt Shaker Dinner Groups: will meet January 13 (next Sunday), February 10 and March 10 at 6:00 in host homes. A Salt Shaker Fellowship Covered Dish Celebration is planned for- April at 6:00 in the Fellowship Hall . The date will be announced soon.

**Winter Bible Study on February 10:** Winter Bible Study this year will be on Revelation 1-3, John's initial vision and the letters to the seven churches. A teaching session for all adults will be held during the Sunday School hour. During worship, Tony will preach on the letter to the church at Ephesus (Revelation 2:1-7). Following worship, everyone is invited to meet in the fellowship hall for a light lunch-- thank you, Congregational Life Committee!-- and a second teaching session.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

**Spring Semester Plans Are Coming:** The Children's Committee will plan spring semester events during Committee Orientation this afternoon. Watch the newsletter, *The Voice*, and Sunday bulletins for announcements about upcoming children's activities.

## STUDENT MINISTRY

**Peak Basketball at the YMCA:** The final game of the season is Friday, January 11, at 6:00 pm vs. South Main Baptist Church. Many thanks to John Nave and Bryan McCall for coaching the team and to Caroline Nave for coordinating the team!

**Youth Tour of Blyth Funeral Home:** Youth of GFBC are invited to Blyth Funeral Home on Wednesday, January 16, for a unique opportunity. Youth will leave the bus parking lot at GFBC at 5:00 pm, sharp. The group will go to Cookout for a meal provided by GFBC. After supper, the youth will travel to Blyth to meet Bryan Conyers, one of Blyth's funeral directors. Bryan will lead the youth on a walking tour of Blyth. Then Bryan will give a short presentation followed by a Question and Answer session. The group will return to GFBC by 7:15 pm (in time for Youth Choir practice). No sign up is needed. Just show up! And bring questions (and friends) along too!

**Wednesday Night Youth Snacks:** When youth arrive at church on Wednesday evenings, they are hungry! Youth parents can help with this by periodically providing snacks. Sign up to bring a snack on any of the open dates below. And thanks!

January 23 - OPEN DATE  
 January 30 - OPEN DATE  
 February 6 - OPEN DATE

February 13 - OPEN DATE  
 February 20 - OPEN DATE  
 February 27 - OPEN DATE

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