

Welcome to First Baptist Church of North Wilkesboro

Thank you for being here for worship today. We are honored to have you as our guest! If you would like to be added to our church email list, please send an email to katie1fbc@gmail.com and Katie will be happy to do that for you.

You may also go to our website, www.firstbaptistnw.org and sign up as a site member, you will then be able to view our church prayer list and add a prayer request of your own.

This Week at First Baptist

Sun., Dec. 1

11:00 a.m. Worship Service, First Sunday of Advent
Youth Luminary Sale (Final day to purchase)
No First Kids or Youth this evening

Wed., Dec. 4

4:30 p.m. Early Bird Advent Study
5:30 p.m. Fellowship Meal, RSVP by noon Mon. Dec. 2
6:15 p.m. Adult Advent Study, First Kids, Youth,
Lovefeast practice
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sat., Dec. 7

3:45 p.m. Youth Progressive Dinner

Sun., Dec. 8

9:00 a.m. Church Library Open
9:45 a.m. Sunday School All Ages
11:00 a.m. Worship Service, Second Sunday of Advent
Pledge Cards due
5:30 p.m. Youth meet
No First Kids this evening
7:00 p.m. 10th Annual Community Lovefeast, Nursery avail.

Pa Paw's Menu Wed., Dec. 4

Hamburger steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, & desserts:
Cherry Pie, Chocolate Peanut Butter Mousse Cake, and Cheesecake with
Caramel Sauce by Sara McCall

Cost is \$8 and \$4 for ages 7 and under (half serving)

Please place your reservation in the offering plate today,
call 336-838-5197, or email katie1fbc@gmail.com no later than
noon tomorrow.

Volunteer Schedule

	Dec. 1	Dec. 8
Ushers	Robert Greene's Team	Bill Myers' Team
SS Nursery	Holly Carver	Dawn Gardner
Worship Nursery	Adena Greene	Tamarah Cornette
SS Greeters	David & Hilda Smith	Brian Huffman; Mickey Leapley
Worship Greeters	Dawn Gardner	Ronnie Osborne
Visitor's Table	Pam Greene	Martha Myers
Open Up	Danny Stanley	Danny Stanley
Lock Up	Mike Norwood; Anthony Davis	Mike Norwood; Anthony Davis

This Week's Birthdays

Dec. 1: Julian Parsons Dec. 7: Gary Bright
Dec. 2: Keith Lowe Melissa Reynolds
Dec. 4: T.J. Dunn Minton
Gail Harris
Dec. 6: Carol Huffman
Anneliese Larsen
Aidan Sharp

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First Sunday of Advent

“LIVING IN HOPE”

December 1, 2024

Ministers: Every Member
Senior Pastor: Dr. Bert Young
Associate Pastor: Rev. Patricia Turner
Director of Music: Larisa Leapley
Organist/Pianist: Tammy Prevet
Children's Director: Jamie Higginbotham

The Worship of Our Lord

First Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2024

11:00 a.m.

“Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.”

Luke 21:33

Prelude Tammy Prevetie

There Is a Rose

Louis R. Hill

Welcome and Announcements Dr. Bert Young

Invocation..... Rev. Patricia Turner

Lighting the Candle of Hope..... Austin & Sydney Owens

Leader: God, could this be the year when we see it? The goodness that is coming, like starlight from a distant time?

People: Could this be the Advent when we sense it? That the springtime of the soul will one day last forever?

Leader: Could this be the Advent when we notice the inbreaking of your coming promises?

Promises full of blessing:

Of truth so clear, so bright that every shadowy lie must flee.

People: Of compassion so deep, so strong that everyone is encircled in its embrace.

Of restoration so complete that there is gladness everywhere. And of justice so satisfying and so right that all will be well.

Leader: May this Advent be the new beginning, as we learn to live by the light of as-yet-unfulfilled promises.

People: Glimpsing the world through tears, while also seeing something sacred shining through.

ALL: OUR HOPE. OUR TRUTH. OUR LIGHT. OUR PROMISE INCARNATE. AMEN.

(adapted from Kate Bowler)

Exchanging of Peace..... Dr. Bert Young

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you

People: And also with you

Praise SongChoir & Congregation

Light the Light, the Fire of Life

arr. David W. Montonya

Light the light, the fire of life, let the candle reveal His glory,

Jesus Christ has come to earth and for us shall come again.

Light the candle of His hope, light the light of prophet's story.

Light the candle of His hope, light the light we all must hold.

Light the light, the fire of life, let the candle reveal His glory,

Jesus Christ has come to earth and for us shall come again.

Children's Message Jamie Higginbotham

Meditation in SongNoah Brown, Oboe

Silent Night

Franz Gruber; arr. Gary Lanier

Scripture..... Jeremiah 33:14-16.....Rev. Patricia Turner

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer..... Dr. Bert Young

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.

Choral Message.....Chancel Choir, Noah Brown, Oboe

Come to Us, Home to Us

Daniel Kantor

Sermon“Living in Hope” Dr. Bert Young

Hymn of Commitment, No. 77Choir & Congregation

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

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Benediction.....Dr. Bert Young

Postlude Tammy Prevetie

Angels From the Realms of Glory

Henry T. Smart

Anna Laura Page

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Today is the last day of our Youth fundraiser Luminary sale, be sure to stop by our Youth at the tables in the Narthex or Portico and purchase luminaries in honor or in memory of loved ones.

These will be on display the evening of Sun., Dec. 8 at the Lovefeast, as well as the evening Cantata Service on Sat., Dec. 14.

*First Kids and Youth will not meet this evening.

Wednesday Night Activities

*We will have Early Bird Advent Bible Study at 4:30 p.m., Wed., Dec. 4.

At 5:30 p.m. will be our Fellowship Meal, the menu is: Hamburger Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, and Desserts: Cherry Pie, Chocolate Peanut Butter Mousse Cake, and Cheesecake with Caramel Sauce by Sara McCall.

Please make a reservation by noon on Mon. (if you are not already on the permanent list), to let us know you will be with us this week. After the meal at 6:15 pm is Adult Bible Study, First Kids, & Youth. The chancel choir rehearses at 7:15 p.m. in the sanctuary.

*The 10th Annual Community Lovefeast is on Sun., Dec. 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Make plans to attend and invite family and friends.

*First Baptist Chancel Choir presents “O Holy Light” Christmas Cantata on Sat., Dec. 14 at 7:30 p.m., and on Sun., Dec. 15 at 11 a.m. Everyone is welcome!

*The deadline to purchase FBC Merchandise is **tomorrow, Dec. 2**. Scan this QR code with your phone to get your orders in! Items will be ready the week of Dec. 16.



*The Deacons In-House Missions Team has a sign up link on the church website, if you would like to select a week to donate food to our “Little Free Pantry” on the corner of 5th and D. Streets. Thank you for your help with this important ministry. Scan here to sign up:



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