

WORSHIP NOTES

We welcome guests worshipping with us. Learning experiences for preschool children and infants are offered during the worship hour in the children's building. Large print bulletins with hymns and enhanced hearing aids are available for use in this service. An usher can assist you with these and any other needs you might have. We are very glad you are here.

To learn more about the life and ministry of First Baptist Church of Asheville, guests are invited to connect with one of the ministers at the doors of the sanctuary following the service. Guests may also complete the *Connect Now* card in the bulletin and place it in the plate during the offertory. The ministry staff will be in touch in writing or by phone this week. We want to know you and share more about this congregation with you.

The season of Christmastide is a twelve day period given to the celebration of the birth of Jesus. The color white represents the light Christ brings to the world.

Leaders in worship include the FBCA Student Choir, Baker Lawrimore - organ, and George Bashor - deacon of the week.

You may view today's and past sanctuary worship services at www.fbca.net on the *Video* page accessed through the *Worship* tab. Audio files of sermons are available on our website, and sermons on CD may be ordered through the church office.

MINISTRY LEADERS

Mr. Tate Addis	Organist
Rev. David Blackmon	Coordinating Pastor
Rev. Tommy Bratton	Minister of Christian Formation
Rev. Leah Brown	Minister with Senior Adults
Rev. Casey Callahan	Minister with Students
Dr. Mack Dennis	Pastor
Rev. Eddie L. Morgan	Ministry Associate
Rev. Clark Sorrells	Minister of Music
Rev. Karen Sorrells	Associate Minister of Music
Rev. Amy Stertz	Minister with Children and Families



Freedom

Friendship

Faith

Sanctuary Worship
First Baptist Church of Asheville



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ASHEVILLE
January 1, 2017 11:00 a.m.
Second Sunday of Christmastide
(Student Day)

Chiming of the Hour

Worship through Adoration

Call to Worship *There is No Rose* 14th Century

There is no rose of such virtue that is the rose that bare Jesu.

For in this rose contained was heaven and earth in little space.
By that rose we may well see that he is God in persons three.
The angels sung the shepherds to: Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Leave we all this worldly mirth, and follow we this joyful birth.

Gospel Reflection Matthew 2:1-2, 7-11 Addison Cook

*Hymn of Praise 150 *As with Gladness Men of Old* DIX

*Invocation Cameron Brown, Laura Beth Slagle

Worship through Faithful Prayer

Gospel Reflection Matthew 2:13-15

Reflection *Traveling Faith* Kate Raybon, Nathan Sales

Gospel Reflection Matthew 2:16-18

Prayers of the People Austin Maynor

Worship through Sharing Peace

*Sharing Peace Abigail Radford

*Psalm Lesson Psalm 148 Elliot Hannah, Cayla Slaughter,
Alyssa Wilson

*Hymn of Wonder 148 *What Child Is This* GREENSLEEVES

Worship through Gospel Proclamation

*Gospel Lesson

Matthew 2:19-23

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Anthem *Rise Up Shepherd and Follow* arr. Kirby

Rise up, shepherd, and follow!

There's a star in the East on Christmas morn.
It will lead to the place where the Savior's born.

Leave your ewes and leave your lambs.
Leave your sheep and leave your rams.
Follow the star to Bethlehem.

If you take good heed to the angel's word,
You'll forget your flock, you'll forget your herd.

Sermon *Listening in the Wilderness* Will Raybon

Worship through Dedicated Living

*Hymn of Joy 137 *Sing We Now of Christmas* FRENCH CAROL

Response through Tithes and Offerings

*Prayer of Dedication George Bashor

Offertory *Sarabande from Cello Suite no. 5* J.S. Bach
David Nelson, tuba

*Hymn 96 *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* HOUSTON
Stanza 1

Postlude *In Thee Is Gladness, BMV 615* J. S. Bach

Benediction Casey Callahan

*Those who are able will stand.