

# The Worship of God

Epiphany Sunday

January 7, 2018

(† stand as you are able.)

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Gathering Music

Marietta Mobley, piano

Lighting of Christ Candle

Holden Biffle

Opening Sentences

Rev. Alan Sherouse

Organ Voluntary

*Johann Sebastian Bach*

*Hail This Brightest Day of Days*

†Responsive Reading

Terri Vancil

Isaiah 60.1-6 (page 602 in the pew Bible)

†Hymn of Praise 181

*DIX*

*As with Gladness Men of Old*

Words of Friendship

Dr. Steve Sumerel

A Time for Children

Christina McCord

Prayers of God's People

Rev. Grizzle Kane

Opening of God's Word

Ada Noel Harris

Scripture Reading

Dr. Sumerel

Matt.2:1-12

†Hymn 182

MORNING STAR

*Brightest and Best of the Stars*

Sermon

Rev. Sherouse

Star Chasers

†Hymn 539

HOUSTON

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

Musical Interlude

The Lord's Supper

Communion Hymn (See Insert)

Offertory Prayer

Cathy Isom

Musical Offering

Joseph Martin

*In the Bleak Midwinter*

Sam Messick *piano*

Congregational Response

CRANHAM

*In the Bleak Midwinter*

stanza four

What can I give him, poor as I am?

If I were a shep - herd, I would bring a lamb;

The first system of the musical score features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one flat. The melody is in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

if I were a wise man, I would do my part; yet

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

what I can I give him: give my heart.

The third system concludes the hymn. The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The final measure of the melody is marked with a double bar line.

†Benediction

Rev. Sherouse

Organ Dismissal

Henry Purcell

*Symphony from the Bell Anthem*

**Guests** are warmly welcomed today. There are several ways during the worship hour that we can become better acquainted. During the **Words of Friendship** we will share a personal greeting with those sitting around us. You will find a **Connection Card** in the bulletin that can be filled out and dropped in the offering plate as it is passed in the service. **Ministers** will also be greeting worshipers at each exit door after the service.



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# connections

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## Happening at FBC:

**Today** 12 noon College Bible Study | 4 pm Finance Committee  
4:15 pm Youth Choir & Parent Meeting | 6 pm Adult Handbells  
**Jan 8 (M)** 5 pm Upward Practice | 7 pm Deacons' Meeting  
**Jan 9 (Tu)** 9:30 am WMU Group 3 | 5 pm Upward Practice  
**Jan 10 (W)** 5-6:15 pm Fellowship Meal | 5:30 pm Missions Committee  
6 pm Kids' Music & Missions | 6:15 pm Youth Forum | 7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir  
**Jan 13 (F)** 8:45 am Upward Games

## This week's Wednesday night fellowship meal:

5-6:15 pm | January 10: Pecan Tilapia | Salad Bar  
Weekly Children's Extras: Yogurt, Fresh Fruits & Veggies, Etc.

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## “State of the Church” | January 14 Community Lunch

As we go forward in hope and faith as a church, join us for Community Lunch and an annual “State of the Church” conversation after service in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Alan will share some observations of the year behind and together we will share hopes for the year ahead. We'll be having Fried Chicken for lunch! Cost for lunch is \$6/person and \$20/family maximum. No reservation is needed.



## FBC's Winter Weather Policy

**Sunday Morning** – Given the centrality of our corporate worship, we hardly ever close, and only in cases of the most severe weather. Any change to the church schedule will be posted on the church website, the church Facebook page, and to local news by 7 am on Sunday morning.

**Wednesdays and Weekdays** – We rarely close, and do not directly follow the Guilford County Schools schedule. Any change to the schedule will be posted to the church website and local news by noon on Wednesday whenever possible.

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## PASTORAL STAFF

**Amy Grizzle Kane**, Missions & Community; **Christina McCord**, Children & Families  
**Darnysha Nard**, Pastoral Resident; **Sarah Parker**, Interim Youth Minister  
**Steve Pressley**, Assoc. Pastor; **Alan Sherouse**, Senior Pastor  
**Courtney Stamey**, Pastoral Resident; **Steve Sumerel**, Adult Learning  
**Doug Vancil**, Music & Worship; **Terri Vancil**, Music & Worship