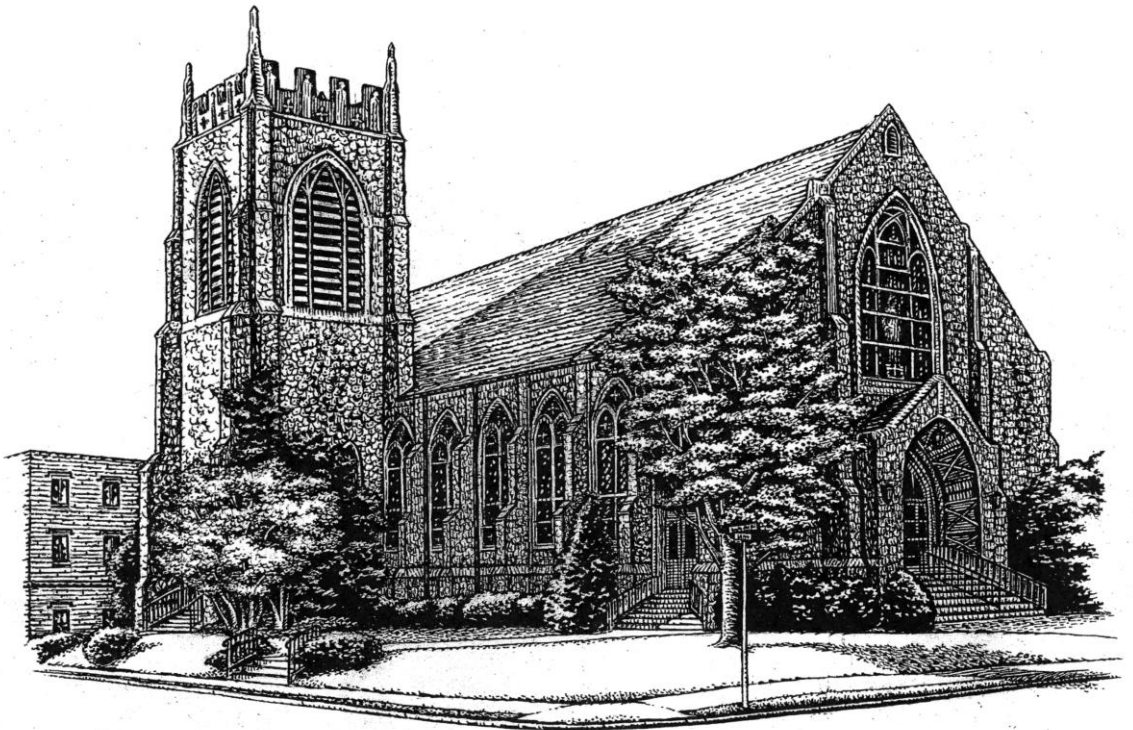


# The First Baptist Church

Henderson, North Carolina



**At Worship**

# Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

*The liturgical color today is green.  
Green is representative of growth as the church is on mission  
during the season of Epiphany*

THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

THE MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

Donna Vann

THE GREETING

Carolyn De Brand

THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

THE INVOCATION

Carolyn De Brand

THE PRELUDE

*Prelude on BEACH SPRING*

Walker's *Southern Harmony*,  
arr. Rebecca Bonham

THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Congregation standing)

Carolyn De Brand

LEADER: What is the purpose of our worship?

**ALL: We worship as called, in spirit and in truth.**

LEADER: May our hearts and intentions be pure as we enter this holy time.

**ALL: We worship as called, in spirit and in truth.**

LEADER: Our songs and words are only a tool toward true commune with God.  
May all that we do, say, and sing today be the best that we can present to a  
loving Creator and friend, each action offered as a window to the devotion and  
love in our hearts.

**ALL: We worship as called, in spirit and in truth.**

LEADER: Come, Lord Jesus, be among us! Inhabit our worship and be one with  
us!

**ALL: We worship as called, in spirit and in truth! Alleluia! Amen!**

THE PSALTER LESSON: Psalm 96

*Sing a New Song*

Heinrich Schütz, arr. Carol Jennings

*Sing a new song to God, the Lord, sing and give praise with one accord. For his salvation he doth give, that, through his mercy, we may live.*

*Worship the Lord in holiness, hymns of great joy to him address. Honor his works and bless his name, his grace and truth to all proclaim.*

*Heaven above and earth below, ocean and field his glory show. All of God's creatures sing his praise. Let us now, too, our voices raise. Glory and thanks to him belong. Honor him evermore in song.*

-Psalm 96

THE CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Amy Russell

LEADER: Out of the depths we cry to God, in our suffering and in our pain. Out of the depths God cries to us, asking us to repent, to return to God with our whole hearts, to admit our sin, and to accept forgiveness. So let us pray with one another, first in silence, then together. (*silence is kept*)

LEADER: And now, we pray together:

**ALL: Holy God, hear our prayer:**

LEADER: For the mending of our hearts, torn apart by our unkindness;

**ALL: For the healing of our souls, wasting away from the despair around us;**

LEADER: For the forgiveness we seek for the sin we have allowed to persist;

**ALL: For the reconciliation of the world, whose division condemns us;**

LEADER: We pray for the courage to admit our fault,

**ALL: The strength to amend our actions,**

LEADER: And the hope that your grace awaits us,

**ALL: Through Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.**

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 5:13-20 (NT p4)

Tammy Hight

THE GLORIA 416

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

7th Century Latin Hymn  
Tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866, alt.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY 8.7.8.7.8.7.  
Henry Purcell, 1659-1695, adapt.



Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to God the Son,  
 Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it, Ev - er three and ev - er one!  
 As it was in the be - gin - ning, While e - ter - nal a - ges run.

Four- and five-year-olds may depart for Children’s Church during the singing of the Gloria.

THE PROPHETIC LESSON: Isaiah 58:1-12 (OT p647)

THE SERMON

*If, Then*

Ronald Cava

THE HYMN 309

*What Does the Lord Require*

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THE CALL TO PRAYER

Kari Martin

THE MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

THE RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Be Thou My Vision*

John Rutter

The Offertory Anthem is based on the text of hymn 323.

AT THE PRESENTATION: The Doxology 424

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Thomas Ken, 1637-1711

LASST UNS ERFREUEN 8.8.4.4.8.8. with Alleluias  
Melody from *Geistliche Kirchengesäng*, Cologne, 1623  
Harm. and arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise him, all crea-tures here be-low;  
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Praise him a-bove, ye heaven-ly host;  
Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. O praise him,  
O praise him, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia!

THE CALL TO COMMITMENT

Ronald Cava

THE HYMN OF RESPONSE 301

*O Jesus, I Have Promised*

ANGEL'S STORY

THE BENEDICTION

Ronald Cava

THE CHORAL AMEN

THE ORGAN POSTLUDE

*All Creatures of Our God and King*

*Geistliche Kirchengesäng*, 1623; arr. John Leavitt

**Assisting with worship leadership today** is Deacon of the Week Carolyn De Brand. Griffin Kirby opens the Bible. The Crucifer is Luke Roberson. Acolytes are Ella Stewardson and Marie Scott White.

**Music for this morning's service** is offered by flautist Rosene Rohrer and bassist Jack Hopper.

**This morning's Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession** are by Beth Merrill Neel and are reprinted with permission.

**The flowers which beautify the sanctuary this morning** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our deceased members for their dedication and contributions to our class and to The First Baptist Church through their collective service and support of The First Baptist Church, those persons being Ed Laffman, Dr. Beverly Tucker, Larry Trull, and Bill Stark.

**The Prayer Shawl Ministry** has provided shawls in the back of the Sanctuary. Should you need physical warmth or spiritual comfort, please borrow one for today's service.

## Opportunities for Worship and Service

<b>SUNDAY</b>	8:45 AM	Missions Committee Meeting	Library
	9:15	Pre-Sunday School Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
	9:15-10:45	Sue Kelly Library Open	
	9:45	Sunday School	
	11:00	Morning Worship	Sanctuary
	6:00 PM	Middle School Youth Meeting	Fellowship Hall
	6:00	High School Youth Meeting	Youth Room
<b>MONDAY</b>	1:30 PM	Library Committee Work Day	Library
	7:00	Evening Mission Fellowship	Linda Weaver's Home
<b>TUESDAY</b>	3:00 PM	Children's After-School Programs – Preschoolers and Grades 1-3	
	5:00	Pickup for Preschoolers	Mission Friends Room
	5:00	Pickup for Children in Grades 1-3	Wyche Street
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	8:45 AM	Morning Adult Ringers Rehearsal	Children's Music Room
	3:00 PM	Children's After-School Programs – Grades 4-6	
	5:10	Girls Ensemble Rehearsal	Adult Choir Room
	5:45	Pickup for Children in Grades 4-6	Wyche Street
	6:10	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Adult Choir Room
	7:30	Evening Ringers Rehearsal	Children's Music Room
<b>THURSDAY</b>	9:30 AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting	Parlor
	10:00	Second Thursday Food Bank Distribution	Vance Farmer's Market
	7:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Adult Choir Room

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