



## *Our Worship of God*

*December 29, 2019*

*9:15 am*

*(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)*

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### **✠ The First Sunday After Christmas ✠**

**Welcome & Announcements**

Shelby Myers

**†Call to Worship (responsive)**

Sing praises to God on high, for glorious are God's works.

**Sing praises to the ends of the earth.**

Shout and sing for joy, O people of God,

**for great is the Holy One in our midst,**

**blessed is the One who comes to dwell among us.**

**†Opening Songs**

Joy to the World  
Angels We Have Heard on High

**†Passing the Peace of Christ**

**Blessing of the Children**

Brittany McDonald Null

*Children are invited to the front for a special message.*

**Psalm 148**

Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord from the heavens;

    praise him in the heights!

Praise him, all his angels;

    praise him, all his host!

Praise him, sun and moon;

    praise him, all you shining stars!

Praise him, you highest heavens,

    and you waters above the heavens!

Let them praise the name of the Lord,

    for he commanded and they were created.

He established them forever and ever;

    he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

Praise the Lord from the earth,

    you sea monsters and all deeps,

fire and hail, snow and frost,

    stormy wind fulfilling his command!

Mountains and all hills,

    fruit trees and all cedars!

Wild animals and all cattle,

    creeping things and flying birds!

Kings of the earth and all peoples,

    princes and all rulers of the earth!

Young men and women alike,

    old and young together!

Let them praise the name of the Lord,

    for his name alone is exalted;

    his glory is above earth and heaven.

He has raised up a horn for his people,  
praise for all his faithful,  
for the people of Israel who are close to him.  
Praise the Lord!

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **Litany to the Creator**

We praise you O God,  
for all the things we can see, and sometimes understand:  
the sun, moon and stars; the clouds and changing weather:  
**We join in their eternal chorus of praise to God.**

We praise you, O God,  
for all the things that we cannot see or understand:  
all heaven's angels, outer space; and the skies above us;  
**We join in their eternal chorus of praise to God.**

We praise you O God,  
for all the things in life that we experience:  
the created world, people of all ages and circumstances,  
all God's creations.  
**We join in their eternal chorus of praise to God.**

We praise you, O God,  
for entering our story as one of us:  
a baby born in a manger, Emmanuel, God-with us.  
**We join in their eternal chorus of praise to God  
whose name is glorious, and whose ways are holy. Amen.**

**†Song of Praise**

A Christmas Alleluia

**†Offertory Sentence**

**Offering**

What a Beautiful Name/Agnus Dei

**Message**

Brittany McDonald Null

**†Song of Response**

Glory (Let There Be Peace)

**†Benediction**

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## Week at a Glance

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### Monday, December 30

1-3:00 pm Staff Meeting

*Office Commons*

### Tuesday, December 31

Offices Closed

### Wednesday, January 1

New Year's Day, Offices Closed

### Thursday, January 2

Offices Closed

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## Christmas Poinsettia Honors & Memorials

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**Jason & Rena Tratchel** in memory of Evan Tratchel and in memory of Mark Yount.

**Khaki Westerfield** in memory of my FBC forebearers; Howard & Mary Kay Lang, Howard and Georgia Lang, Arthur & Ruth Lang, and my husband Jim Westerfield.

**Cindy & Mike Giovanini** in memory of Marsha Randell.

**Kee & Diana Groshong** in memory of Kee H. and Susan E. Groshong, Floyd and Helen Reese, Geraldine Reese Martin, Ellen Martin Mottaz, and Mrs. Dorothy Holliday. In honor of Reese, Susan, Natasha, and Thomas Groshong, Lisa Groshong and Trevor Harris.

**Dave & Julie Walker** in memory of and in honor of our parents.

**Anne Bills & Debbie Jacobs** in memory of Kent & Barbara Toalson.

**Richard Sorrels** in memory of Joanie Sorrels.

**Michael & Cheryl Brewer** in memory of Morgan Dooley. In honor of our grandchildren, Seth, Cameron, Porter, & new Ivory and our glorious college student musicians at First Baptist Church.

**Jim & Verna Rhodes** in memory of Trish Blair and William "Bill" Crabb.

**Gerda Yasuda** in memory of Koge and Lisbeth Yasuda and Gisela Groiss.

**Paula & Mark Thomas** in memory of Andy & Clare Thomas and in memory of Ray & Helen Abell.

**The Emerson Family** in memory of Bill Emerson.

**Tim & Kathy Carson** in honor of Marques Ruff, Interim Music Director of Traditional Worship.

**Sandy & John Hall** in memory of Robert Hall and in memory of Betty & Roy Cookson.

**John Shrum & Lili Vianello** in memory of mother, Ella Shrum, brother, Preston Shrum, and father, Hugo Vianello.

**Gary & Colleen Ostercamp** in honor of baby Quinn Ostercamp on her 1<sup>st</sup> Christmas.

**Hank Steere** in memory of Joyce Steere.

**Robert & Marilyn Zumwalt** in honor of Rob, Jaime, Sophia & William.

**Robert Zumwalt** in memory of Ron Frederick.

**Joe & Oleta Forsee** in honor of our family.

**Pam Humphreys** in memory of my parents Edna & John Humphreys.

**Ken & Donna Ostercamp** in memory of Barbara Anderson, Les & Elaine Ostercamp, and Beatrice Brophey.

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# Announcements

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## Welcome! We're Glad You're Here

We would love to help you connect with our church. To learn more about First Baptist, fill out an information card during worship and drop it in the offering plate or give it to the pastor after worship. You can also stop by the Connections table and pick up our newsletter, *The Spire*. Information about our Children's Ministry and some of our adult small groups can be found on the back of the bulletin.

## Holiday Hours

The office will be closed for the New Year's Holiday from December 31-January 2.

## New Sermon Series: *You're Enough: Embracing Original Blessing*

Scripture tells us when God spoke the world into existence, all of creation was anointed with goodness. God bestowed this goodness, or blessing, before creation had done anything at all. This gift is called original blessing and all human beings are endowed with it! Yet, our culture constantly bombards us with the message that we are not enough...not thin enough, rich enough, beautiful enough, smart enough, promoted enough, or powerful enough. With all of these negative messages coming our way, how do we develop a sense of inner worthiness? Can we let go of perfectionism and shame? Come learn how original blessing can be an anchor that reminds each of us, "You're Enough."



## Combined Worship & Annual Business Meeting

Join us on Sunday, January 26 at 11:15 am in the Sanctuary for Combined Worship followed by our Annual Business Meeting in the Fellowship Hall. We will pause to look back at the highlights of the last year and celebrate all that God has done in and through us. We will talk about ministry plans for 2020. We will vote on the Nominating Committee report and the 2020 budget. Lunch will be provided for a suggested donation of \$6.00.

For Parents:

The nursery (Birth-Age 3) will open at 10:15 am and remain open until the business meeting ends.

First Kids Sunday School will meet as usual at 10:15 am for potty-trained 3-year-olds through 5th grade.

At 11:15 am, potty-trained 3-year-olds through kindergarten can remain upstairs for extended session. 1st – 5th graders are encouraged to participate in combined worship with their family.

Following worship, children who participated in combined worship can be brought upstairs to join those in extended session for pizza, games, and activities.

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# Worship Notes

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A Christmas Alleluia, Chris Tomlin, Jonas Myrin, CCLI#7050431

Joy To The World (Unspeakable Joy), Ed Cash, Matt Gilder, George Frederic Handel, Isaac Watts, Chris Tomlin CCLI#5607039

Angels We Have Heard on High, For KING and COUNTRY

What a Beautiful Name, Ben Fielding and Brooke Ligertwood, CCLI#7068424

Agnus Dei, Michael W. Smith, CCLI#626713

Glory (Let There Be Peace), Chris Stevens, Matt Maher, Rachel Popadic, CCLI#7071972

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Thank you for worshiping with us today! If you wish to share this worship experience with a neighbor, the service is broadcast live, and the sermon is available on our website within a week.





**For Children During Worship:**

Birth-Kindergarteners can be checked in at the nursery, located next to the sanctuary, where they will be cared for by our professional staff.

1<sup>st</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> Graders are encouraged to participate in worship with their family.

**10:15 Spiritual Formation Hour:**

Birth-Age 3 Childcare is provided by our professional staff in the nursery, which is located next to the sanctuary.

First Kids Sunday School (3 years old through 5th grade) is on the third floor.

Youth Bible Study (grades 6-12) is on the third floor.

Adult Small Groups are located on the second floor:

-Discussion Group (Parlor) has begun an in-depth study of 1 Corinthians.

Everyone is welcome to join the conversation.

-Faith Forum (Elevator Lobby Classroom) is a diverse group that likes to read the lesson for the day together, share information, and ask questions to learn from one another.

-Connections Group (office commons) is made up of younger adults. They spend time building community, sharing life, and often take on heady theological topics.

\*The all-gender restroom is located in the Child Development Center Hallway outside the Sanctuary.

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Church Staff

*Rev. Dr. Carol McEntyre, Senior Pastor*

*Michael McEntyre, Associate Pastor of Youth, Missions, and Interim Administration*

*Brittany McDonald Null, Interim Assistant Pastor*

*Shelby Myers, Awakening Worship Praise Band Director, Colleen Ostercamp, Pianist and Organist*

*Marques J. Ruff, Interim Music Director-Traditional Worship*

*Susan Goudie, Administrative Assistant, Bethany James, Nursery Director*

*Brenda Rice, Project Coordinator, Michael Ide, Custodian*