



FIRST SUNDAY OF
ADVENT

First Baptist Church
Whiteville, North Carolina 28472
November 27, 2022

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP
The First Sunday of Advent
November 27, 2022

Morning Worship

Eleven o'clock

* Please stand as you are able.

Greeting and Invocation

Dr. Wayne Brown

Prelude

Pastoral Symphony
(from MESSIAH)

Mrs. Patricia Slomanski
George Frideric Handel

*** Advent Hymn of Praise, No. 247**

ITALIAN HYMN

Come, Thou Almighty King

Responsive Reading

Congregation

Leader: In Advent we celebrate God's gift of a new beginning.

People: **We praise you, O God of new beginnings, for turning despair into hope.**

Leader: In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

People: **We praise you, O God, for bringing cosmos out of chaos.**

Leader: In the beginning the Word was with God, chasing the darkness into day.

People: **We praise you, O God, for bringing light out of night.**

All: **Let us bear witness to the light that was with God in the beginning.
Let us bear witness to the light that became flesh in Jesus Christ.**

*** Offertory Hymn, No. 83**

FESTAL SONG

Arise, Your Light Is Come

*** Offertory Prayer**

Mrs. Hilda Ray

Offertory

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

Mrs. Slomanski
arr. Albin Whitworth

*** Offertory Response**

Doxology

VENI EMMANUEL

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

We invite children to come forward for the Children's Sermon at the conclusion of the *Doxology*. Afterward, children under the age of seven are welcome to attend Children's Church, or they may return to their seat and worship with the congregation.

Children's Sermon

The Candle of Hope

Rev. Eddie Fort

Candle Lighting Song

Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love

Randy Edwards

Hope, peace, joy, and love! These are gifts You
bring from a - bove. Je - sus, Em - man - u - el, come to
be light of Your hope, re - flect - ed in me.

Pastoral Prayer

Dr. Brown

Worship through Song

Carol for Advent

Rev. Fort
arr. Don Besig

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5; Matthew 24:36-44;
2 Timothy 3:1-17; Revelation 22:1-21

Dr. Brown

Sermon

It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like...
Are You Hopeless...or Hopeful?

Dr. Brown

* Hymn of Commitment, No. 105

BUNESSAN

Child in the Manger

Benediction

Dr. Brown

Postlude

Go Tell It On the Mountain

Mrs. Slomanski
arr. Albin Whitworth



Today's Responsive Reading was copied from *Litanies and Other Prayers for the Revised Common Lectionary, Year A*, Abingdon Press, Nashville, TN, 1992.

The Candle Lighting Song *Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love*, words and music, Randy Edwards, Birnamwood Publications, 1911.

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Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts — Psalm 24:10 KJV

1. Come, Thou Al - might y King, Help us Thy
 2. Come, Thou In - car - nate Word, Gird on Thy
 3. Come, Ho - ly Com - fort - er, Thy sa - cred
 4. To Thee, great One in Three, The high - est

name to sing, Help us to praise: Fa - ther, all -
 might y sword, Our prayer at - tend! Come, and Thy
 wit - ness bear In this glad - hour! Thou, who al -
 prais - es be, Hence ev - er - more; Thy sov - 'reign

glo - ri - ous, O'er all vic - to - ri - ous,
 peo - ple bless, And give Thy word suc - cess:
 might y art, Now rule in ev - 'ry heart
 maj - es - ty May we in glo - ry see,

Come, and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days,
 Spir - it of ho - li - ness, On us de - scend,
 And ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r,
 And to e - ter - ni - ty Love and a - dore.

WORDS: Anonymous
 MUSIC: Felice de Giardini, 1716-1796

ITALIAN HYMN
 6.6.4.6.6.6.4.

Arise, Your Light Is Come

1. A - rise, your light is come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;
2. A - rise, your light is come! Fling wide the pris - on door;
3. A - rise, your light is come! All you in sor - row born,
4. A - rise, your light is come! The moun - tains burst in song!

Show forth the glo - ry of your God Which shines on you to - day.
Pro - claim the cap - tive's lib - er - ty Good tid - ings to the poor.
Bind up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones And com - fort those who mourn.
Rise up like ea - gles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.

WORDS: Ruth Duck, 1947-

MUSIC: William H. Walter, 1825-1893

FESTAL SONG

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Child in the Manger

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He appeared in a body ... was seen by angels — 1 Timothy 3:16 NIV

Unison

1. Child in the man - ger, In - fant of Ma - ry; Out - cast and
2. Once the most ho - ly Child of sal - va - tion Gent - ly and
3. Proph - ets fore - told Him In - fant of won - der; An - gels be -

stran - ger, Lord of all; Child who in - her - its All our trans -
low - ly Lived be - low; Now as our glo - rious Might - y Re -
hold Him On His throne; Wor - thy our Sav - ior Of all our

gres - sions, All our de - mer - its On Him fall.
deem - er, See Him vic - to - rious O'er each foe.
prais - es; Hap - py for - ev - er Are His own.

WORDS: Mary MacDonald, 1789-1872; tr. Lachlan Macbean, 1853-1931
MUSIC: Gaelic Melody; arr. Mark Hayes, 1953-

BUNESSAN
5.5.5.3.D.

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, November 27

- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
- 4:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 5:00 p.m. Hanging of the Greens Dress Rehearsal
- 5:30 p.m. Children's Music Warm-up
- 6:00 p.m. Hanging of the Greens

Monday, November 28

- 4:00 p.m. Children's Music Activity

Wednesday, November 30

- 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Sunday, December 4

- 9:00 a.m. Missions Breakfast
- 9:30 a.m. Missions Program with Rev. Paula McCosh,
Director of the Welcome House in
Fayetteville, NC
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
- 12:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 3:00 p.m. Columbus Community Band Concert in the
FBC Sanctuary
- 5:00 p.m. FBC Float in the Christmas Parade



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Deacons of the Week

11/27 Stephen Prince / Betty Jo Prevatte

12/04 Kate C. Lee / John Sauls

12/11 Janice Young / Mel Ray

12/18 Ron Walters / Betty Jo Prevatte