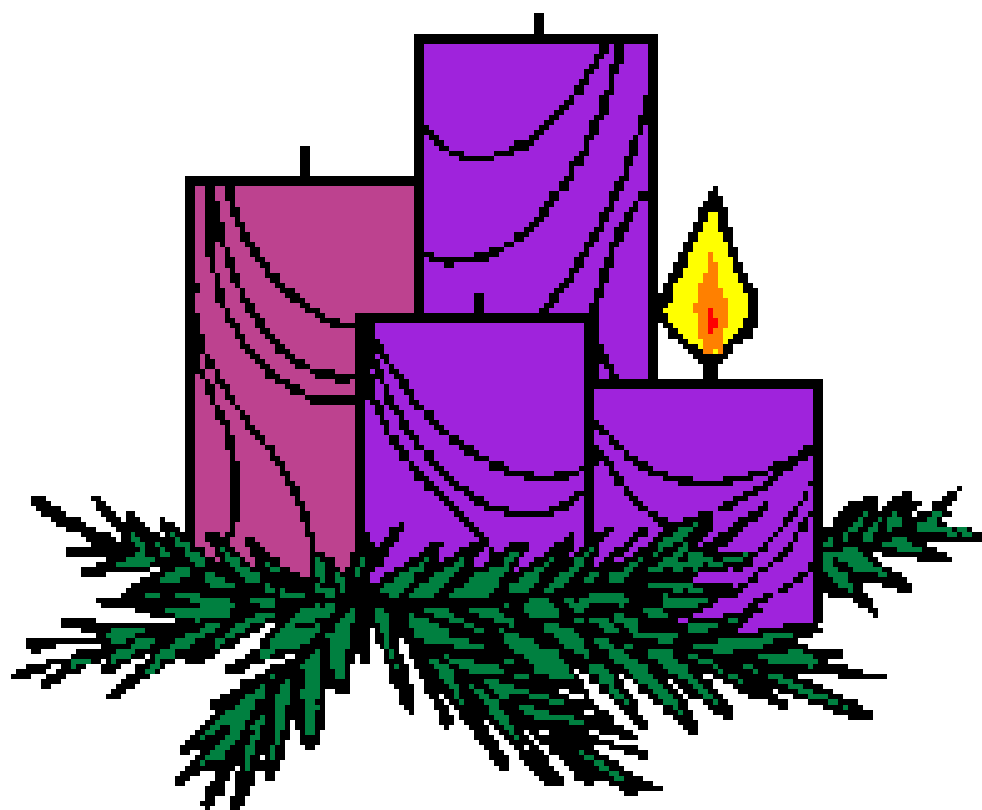


The First Sunday of Advent



First Baptist Church

Whiteville, North Carolina

December 3, 2017

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP
The First Sunday of Advent
December 3, 2017

Morning Worship

Eleven o' clock

* Please stand as you are able.

Greeting

Rev. Ryan Clore

Meditation

based on Isaiah 64:1-2

This is the season of holy waiting.
We wait for the One who will tear open the heavens
and come down to save us.
We watch for the day when God's name will be made known
among the nations.
We wait in the shadows for the Light of the World to appear.
Come let us walk in the light of God!

Prelude

Bouree in G Major

Mr. Jim Council
George Frederic Handel,
arr. Steven Scott

Call to Worship

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

Rev. Clore

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

Come, Thou Almighty King

ITALIAN HYMN

Invocation

Rev. Clore

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Eric and Betty Gail Kronenwetter
Bryce Russell

Leader: Today is the first Sunday of Advent. We light the candle of Hope.
Our hope is in God, and in his son, Jesus Christ. He is the one appointed
by God to be judge of all things. He is the one through whom God has
promised to save and redeem his people.

People: We light this candle to remind us that Christ is our hope and the hope
of the world. We thank God for the promises he has made to us and
for the light he has brought into the world.

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Leader: Let us pray: O God of Hope, Emmanuel, God with Us—we pray for you to send your light into our hearts. Help us to be ready for the day and the hour of Christ’s appearing. Live in us and help us to live in you. By the power of the Holy Spirit, transform us so that our worship, our celebration, our time of preparation, may be pleasing unto you—both now—and forevermore. Amen.

Hymn Response

One Candle Is Lit

CRADLE SONG

Come sure - ly, Lord Je - sus, as dawn fol - lows
 night, our hearts long to greet you, as ros - es, the
 light. Sal - va - tion, draw near us, our vi - sion en -
 gage. One can - dle is lit for the hope of the age.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 64:1-9

Mrs. Brenda Carter

*** Offertory Hymn, No. 198**

At the Name of Jesus

WYE VALLEY (abridged)

*** Offertory Prayer**

Mrs. Katherine C. Lee

Offertory

Cradle Song

Mr. Jim Council
 Gilbert Martin

*** Offertory Response**

Advent Doxology

W SLOBIE LEZY

Glo-ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo-ry be to Christ the Son, glo-ry
 to the Ho-ly Spir - it, glo-ry to the Three-in - One. Here we
 of - fer to you glad - ly all the gifts that you im - part, as we
 glo - ry in your Pre - sence, giv - ing from a grate-ful heart.

Children's Sermon		Mr. Rick Kimball
Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Clore
Worship through Song	<i>Send Out Thy Light</i>	The Chancel Choir M. A. Balakiereff
The Gospel Reading	Mark 13:21-37	Rev. Clore
Sermon	Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow	Rev. Clore
* Hymn of Commitment, No. 105	<i>Child in the Manger</i>	BUNESSAN
Benediction		Rev. Clore
* Benediction Response	<i>Advent Benediction</i>	The Chancel Choir Eddie Fort
	Hope of God, through Christ Our Lord, go with us now, Emmanuel. Amen.	
* Postlude	<i>A Festal Fanfare</i>	Mr. Jim Council Johann Sebastian Bach, arr. Van Denman Thompson



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OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, December 3

- 8:30 a.m. Missions Breakfast
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School in fellowship hall
Small Children to be dismissed for Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir Warm-up
- 10:55 a.m. **Morning Worship** (live broadcast on WTXY 1540)
Children's Worship
- 12:00 p.m. Dress Rehearsal for all participants in Hanging of the Greens
- 3:00 p.m. FBC Float in the Christmas Parade
- 4:30 p.m. Youth and Adult Handbell Choir
- 5:15 p.m. Children's Choirs warm-up
- 5:30 p.m. Chancel Choir warm-up
- 5:50 p.m. All participants need to be in the sanctuary
- 6:00 p.m. Hanging of the Greens
- 7:00 p.m. Reception in the Fellowship Hall

Monday, December 4

- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday, December 6

- 4:30 p.m. Young Musicians, Grades 2-5
- 5:15 p.m. Children's Handchimes, Grades 1-5
- 5:45 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper
- 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Equipping Church
Study (pp. 89-99), Godly Play Children's Program
- 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir

Monday, December 11

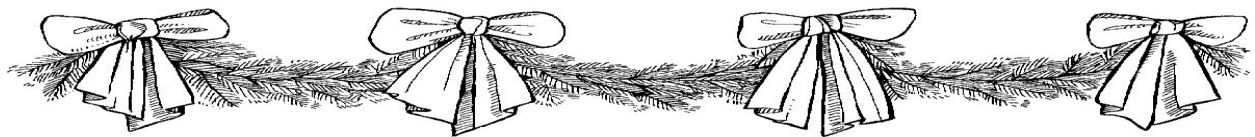
- 12:00 p.m. Gleaners SS Class Luncheon

Deacons of the Week

Kate C. Lee / Barbara Whitson

(live broadcast on WTXY 1540 and www.wtxy1540.com,
click on the "Listen Live - On Air" button)

Advent and Christmas 2017



Hanging of the Greens

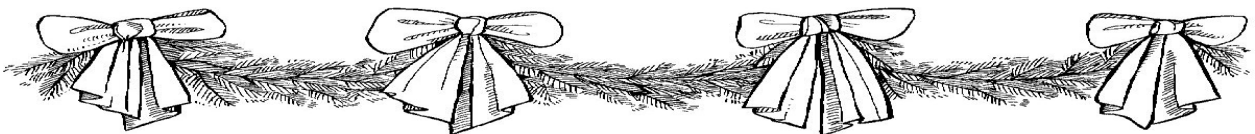
Sunday, December 3 at 6:00 p.m.
(Reception afterwards in the Fellowship Hall)

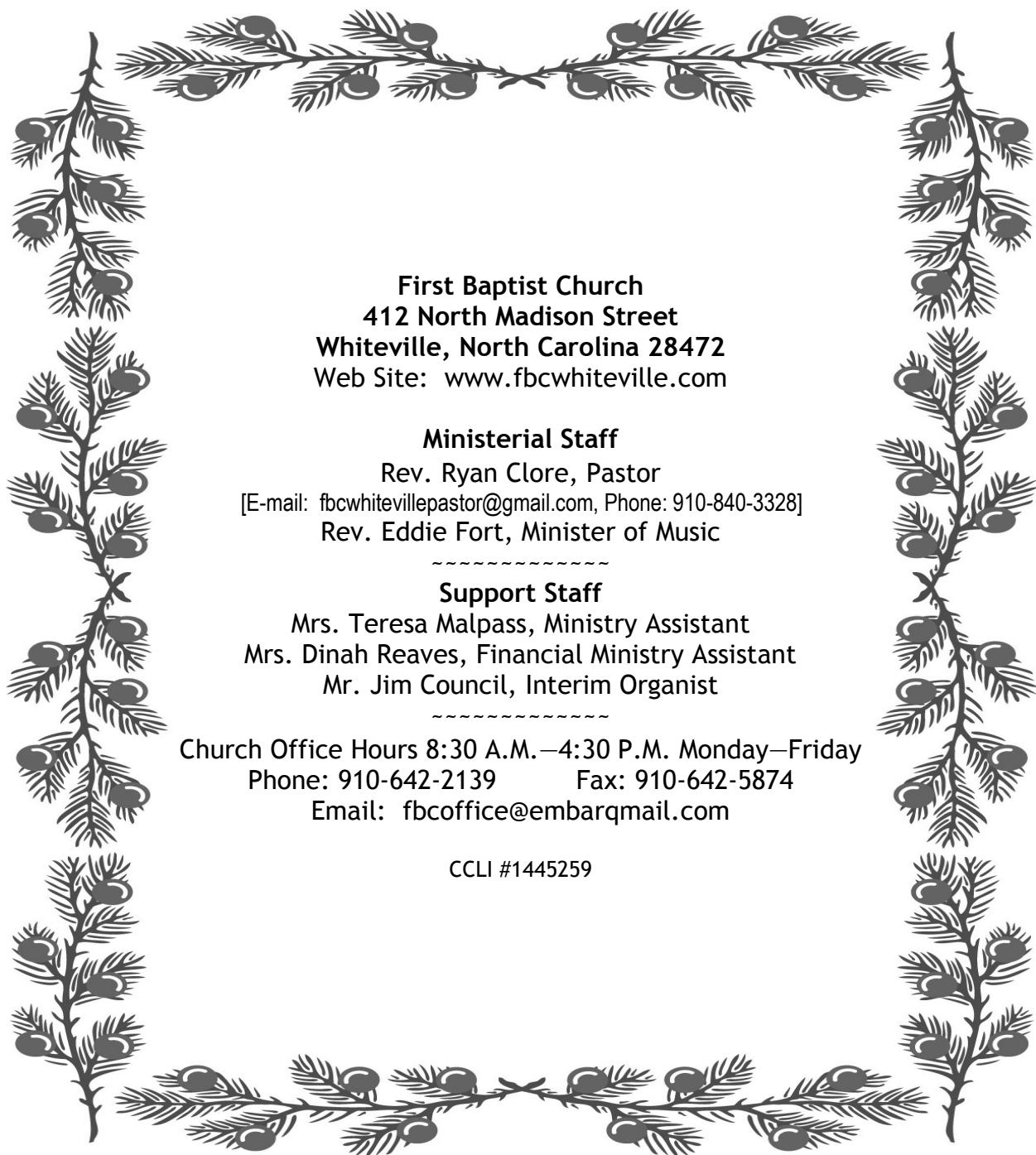
The Jesus Gift

Presented by: The Chancel Choir
Sunday, December 17th at 11:00 a.m.

Christmas Eve Service

Sunday, December 24th at 5:00 p.m.





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