

First Baptist Church



Reaching Out to those in need

Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.

Matthew 25:40

Whiteville, North Carolina

January 1, 2017

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

The First Sunday after Christmas

January 1, 2017

Morning Worship

Eleven O'clock

* Please stand as you are able.

Greeting

Rev. Ryan Clore

Meditation

Praise is our cry, O Holy One of Israel,
for you have come among us and borne our burdens.
Give us open hearts, that we might embrace
our suffering sisters and brothers,
and welcome Jesus in the hospitality we show to exiles. Amen.

Prelude

Once He Came in Blessing

Mr. Jim Council
John Leavitt

Invocation

Rev. Clore

* **Hymn of Praise, No. 39**

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

MARION

Children's Sermon

Mr. Melvin Ezzell

Responsive Reading

Psalm 148

Congregation

Leader: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

People: Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts!

Leader: Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars! Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

People: Let them praise the name of the LORD, for he commanded and they were created. He established them forever and ever.

Leader: Praise the LORD from the earth, fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command!

People: Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!

Leader: Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! Young men and women alike, old and young together!

People: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven. Praise the Lord!

Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Clore
* Offertory Hymn, No. 95		GO TELL IT
	<i>Go, Tell It On the Mountain</i>	
* Offertory Prayer		Kirby Sanderson
Offertory		Mr. Jim Council David N. Johnson
	<i>Bethlehem</i>	
* Offertory Response, No. 253		OLD 100TH (altered)
	<i>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.</i>	
Worship Through Song		Mr. Ezzell R. Walters
	<i>Wexford Carol</i>	
The Gospel Reading	Matthew 25:31-46	Rev. Clore
Sermon	Safety Bubble	Rev. Clore
* Hymn of Commitment, No. 103		MUELLER
	<i>Away in a Manger</i>	
* Benediction		Rev. Clore
* Postlude		Mr. Council R. Mark Otterstad
	<i>Come, Be Joyful!</i>	



Sunday, January 1

- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship, Children's Worship

Monday, January 2

Office Closed—Happy New Year!

Wednesday, January 4

- 5:10 p.m. Children's Music Activity Grades 1-5
5:45 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper
6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir



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Growing Toward Christ

Whiteville, NC

Ministerial Staff

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Rev. Eddie Fort, Minister of Music

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