

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

January 20, 2019 ✠ 11:00 am

✠ *The Season of the Church Year: The Second Sunday after Epiphany*

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS Rev. Anita Thompson

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PASTORAL SENTENCES Rev. Dr. Trey Gilliam

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES AND OPENING OF THE BIBLE  
Mr. Brent Pierce & Master Henry Pierce, Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 36:5-10 Ms. Betty Joyner

Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens,  
**Your faithfulness to the clouds.**  
Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,  
Your judgments are like the great deep;  
**You save humans and animals alike, O LORD.**

*Sanctuary Choir Refrain: The Steadfast Love of the Lord*

How precious is Your steadfast love, O God!  
**All people may take refuge in the shadow of Your wings.**  
They feast on the abundance of Your house,  
and You give them drink from the river of Your delights.  
**For with You is the fountain of life;  
in your light we see light.**

*Sanctuary Choir Refrain: The Steadfast Love of the Lord*

O continue Your steadfast love to those who know You,  
**and Your salvation to the upright of heart!**

*Sanctuary Choir Refrain: The Steadfast Love of the Lord*

PRAYER OF INVOCATION Ms. Joyner

+HYMN OF PRAISE 48 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* FAITHFULNESS

CHILDREN'S TIME & BLESSING Rev. Thompson

People of God, what is your prayer for these children?  
**Our prayer is that they grow up to be like Jesus—strong and brave,  
full of grace and truth, and that we will help them.**

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GOSPEL LESSON Mark 8:22-26 Rev. Thompson

In Pew Bible, page 53 of New Testament

This is the word of God for the people of God;  
**Thanks be to God.**

PASTORAL PRAYER Dr. Gilliam

+HYMN 587 *Amazing Grace* NEW BRITAIN

+OFFERTORY PRAYER Mr. Scott Outlaw

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+DOXOLOGY OLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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EPISTLE LESSON 1 Corinthians 13:8-13 Dr. Gilliam

In Pew Bible, page 213 of New Testament

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PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Dr. Gilliam

SERMON *This I Know* Dr. Gilliam

## INVITATION

*It is our tradition to offer a time or response near the end of worship. A response may take the shape of a profession of faith in Jesus Christ and desire to be baptized, a request for church membership, or the sharing of a prayer concern or praise which may be communicated with the congregation or safely kept between the sharer and minister. Please respond as you feel led during the Hymn of Response.*

+HYMN OF RESPONSE 395 *Open My Eyes, That I May See* SCOTT

+BENEDICTION Dr. Gilliam

## +CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

*As the chimes strike three times—in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—our corporate worship ends, and our opportunity begins to be the presence of Christ in the world, through the power of the Holy Spirit.*

## +POSTLUDE

+Those who are able are invited to stand.

*Today's Altar Flowers are given by Vicky Overman in memory of her parents, Ric & Lovell Rogers and to the glory of God.*

*We give thanks for those caring for our young ones today in Extended Session while we worship:*

Babies: Kari Pierce & Taylor F. Rose  
Ages 1 & 2: Susan Early & JoAnn Herring  
Age 3 – Kindergarten: Alex & Sarah G. Britton  
Floaters: Melanie Byrum

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## OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Anita D. Thompson Associate Pastor  
Rev. Dr. Paul R. Gilliam III (Trey) Pastor  
Mr. W. Bland Baker Music Associate

Mrs. Elizabeth Villegas Minister to Youth & Children  
Rev. Dr. Jesse J. Croom Pastor Emeritus



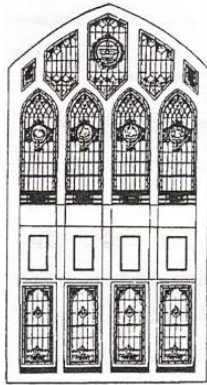
**For now  
we see in a mirror  
dimly,  
but then  
face to face;  
now  
I know in part,  
but then  
I will know fully  
just as I also  
have been fully known.**

**- 1 Corinthians 13:12**

## THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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*The First Baptist Church of Ahoskie is a Cooperative Baptist Fellowship congregation.*



# A Window on the Weeks Ahead

January 20, 2019

First Baptist Church of Ahoskie, NC

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## ✘ Today's Afternoon & Evening Schedule

5:00 pm Chairo Music Ensemble, Grade 6 – Adults

6:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Sunday Rehearsal, Grade 12 – Adults

*The youth group will not meet today.*

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- January 27    •May 19        •July 21
- March 3     •June 2 & 16   •September 15

## ✘ Youth Super Bowl Party

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## ✘ Volunteers Needed for Food Pantry Ministry

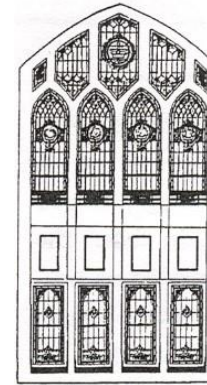
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