

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

February 3, 2019 ✕ 11:00 am

✕ *The Season of the Church Year: The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany*

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS Rev. Anita Thompson

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PASTORAL SENTENCES Rev. Dr. Trey Gilliam

PRELUDE *Be Thou My Vision* arr. Darrell Dunford

CALL TO WORSHIP Mrs. Judy H. Pierce

We have gathered from different places to *this* place to worship our loving God.  
We are the young, the aged, and every age in between.  
We are professionals and retirees, preschoolers and high schoolers.  
We come as unique individuals bound together in the love of Christ.  
**How good it is to worship together in unity.**

CHORUS 268 *We Are One in the Bond of Love* SKILLINGS

PRAYER OF INVOCATION Mrs. Pierce

O God from whom every gift derives, we gather to worship You this day.  
**You are an awesome God, greater than we could ever comprehend or imagine.**  
You are beyond any word we could ever use to describe You.  
**And yet, through Jesus, we know the intimacy of Your vast Love.**

As we worship, shower us with Your "holy manna"  
that we may be strengthened for the journey to which You have called us.  
**May Your Holy Spirit surround, indwell, and guide this congregation,  
now and forevermore.**  
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
**Amen.**

+HYMN OF PRAISE *Christians, We Have Met to Worship* HOLY MANNA

Christians, we have met to worship and adore the Lord our God;  
Will you pray with all your power while we try to preach the word?  
All is vain unless the Spirit of the Holy One comes down;  
Christians, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.

Let us love our God supremely, let us love each other too;  
Let us love and pray for sinners, till our God makes all things new.  
Then He'll call us home to heaven, at His table we'll sit down;  
Christ will gird Himself, and service us with sweet manna all around.

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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OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 133 Mrs. Mary Ann Umphlett

In Pew Bible, page 706 of Old Testament

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

SOLO *Shall We Learn to Be Friends* Ken Medema

Anita Thompson, Soloists

PASTORAL PRAYER Dr. Gilliam

+HYMN 267 *Blest Be the Tie* DENNIS

+OFFERTORY PRAYER Mrs. Umphlett

OFFERTORY *As the Deer* arr. Darrell Dunford

+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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NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Romans 14:13-23 Dr. Gilliam

In Pew Bible, page 198 of New Testament

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PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Dr. Gilliam

SERMON *Mixed Company* Dr. Gilliam

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

. . . Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

## 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 272 *They'll Know We Are Christians* ST. BRENDAN'S

+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 *Let All Things Now Living* arr. Darrell Dunford

+Those who are able are invited to stand.

*Today's Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Carrie Lee Askew by E. L. & Barbara Holloman.*

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

Babies: Jenni Byrd & Betty Cooper  
Ages 1 & 2: Michelle Boyd & Nancy Cobbs  
Age 3 – Kindergarten: Nancy Perry & Mary Page Pierce  
Floater: Cheryl Slachta

*We welcome Darrell Dunford as our guest organist today. A native of Gates County, NC, Darrell studied music at Chowan University and Old Dominion University. He retired from the United States Navy in December of 2018. He currently serves as organist at Reynoldson Baptist Church in Gates, NC.*



## THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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## OUR MINISTRY TEAM

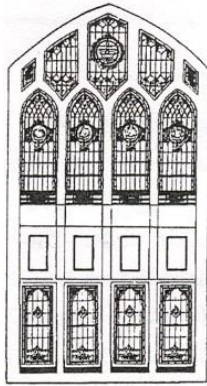
Rev. Anita D. Thompson  
Associate Pastor

Rev. Dr. Paul R. Gilliam III (Trey)  
Pastor

Mrs. Elizabeth Villegas  
Minister to Youth & Children

Mr. W. Bland Baker  
Music Associate

Rev. Dr. Jesse J. Croom  
Pastor Emeritus



## A Window on the Weeks Ahead

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### ☒ Benevolence Offering Received Today

*On the first Sunday of every month we receive an offering for our Benevolence Ministry which helps support individuals and families in our community. If you'd like to participate, please place your offering in one of the small brown baskets at each sanctuary exit.*

### ☒ Today's Afternoon & Evening Schedule

*Chairo Music Ensemble and the Sanctuary Choir will not rehearse today.*

6:00 pm Youth Super Bowl Party at the Gilliams, 620 Lakeview Dr., Murfreesboro

### ☒ First Wednesday Fellowship

February 6 at 6:00 pm

**Menu:** Soup, seasoned chili, crackers, tossed salad & cookies.

**Cost:** \$6 per adult, \$3 per child 12 & younger, \$15 maximum per family.

Sign up is requested by 9:00 am on Monday, February 11.

### ☒ JOY Fellowship Senior Adult Lunch

February 14 at 12:00 noon

**Menu:** Chicken pastry, collards, baked sweet potatoes & red velvet sheet cake.

**Program:** Vicky Overman will entertain us with the Songs of the Seasons.

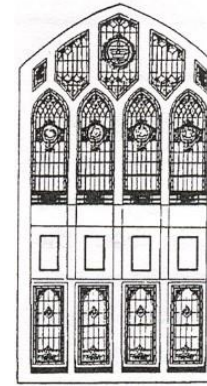
**Cost:** \$5 per person.

Sign up by 9 am, Tuesday, February 12.

### ☒ Church-wide Roller Skating Party

Saturday February 16

*Come join us for a fun-filled day at Greenbrier Family Skating Center in Chesapeake, VA. We are planning to leave the church at 10:30 am, grab some lunch, and be at the skating rink around 1:00 pm. We'll skate until we are tired! This is a church-wide event for all ages!*



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