

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH RALEIGH, NC

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In reply he said to them, "Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise." Luke 3:11

December 15, 2024

THE CHURCH IN WORSHIP
THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 15, 2024

Eleven o'clock

About our Worship: On this, the Third Sunday of Advent — a season of anticipation and preparation for the coming of the Christ — we light the Advent candle of joy. It is joy that abounds throughout our prayers, scriptures, and music today. Even in the darkness and in a dangerous time, the Christ comes to the meek, the lowly, and the despairing. Christ comes in the blossom of desert flowers, in the expectant Mary singing with hope and promise, in the chorus of angels, and in the canticles of prophets and carols of choirs. The joy of Christ comes even in the prophetic ministry of John the Baptist as his challenging words are spoken to help us prepare not just for the baby Jesus but for the ministry of our crucified and risen Lord. We are led in our joyful music by the Sanctuary Choir, but it is our prayer that our largest choir — the congregation — will join wholeheartedly: Gloria in excelsis Deo! Glory to God in the highest!

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

The Greeting of Worshipers

Leah Reed

The Trinity Chimes

Three chimes are sounded, awakening us to the presence of God, alerting us to the voice of Christ, centering us in the embrace of the Spirit. As we gather, we present ourselves “as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is our spiritual worship.”

The Prelude

“Tempus Adest Floridum”
Charles J. Torian, Jr., arr.

Wind Ensemble

The Lighting of the Advent Candle

LouAnne and Johnny Liverman

READER: We have lit the first two candles, one for hope and one for peace. Today we light the third candle, the candle of joy. This should be the easy one, because joy is all around us—in the children, the lights, the music, the gathering together. But how often do we let our preparations—or our memories—push joy to the side? Joy is like an underground spring that wells up within us, but joy is also a choice, an attitude. Like a muscle, it needs to be exercised. So today we open ourselves to joy, trusting that God has already planted it in us.

(The third candle is lit.)

PEOPLE: **Loving God, we open ourselves to you, trusting that this is how you made us: you created us for joy-filled hearts and lives. Show us the creative power of hope. Teach us the peace that comes from justice. Fill us with the kind of joy that cannot be contained, but must be shared. Prepare our hearts to be transformed by you, that we may walk in the light of Christ. Amen.**

“My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout”



Solo: 1. My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
2. Though I am small, my God, my all, you
3. From the halls of power to the for - tress tower, not a
4. Though the na - tions rage from age to age, we re -



God of my heart is great, And my spir - it sings of the
work great things in me, And your mer - cy will last from the
stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your
mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait. You
depths of the past to the end of the age to be. Your
jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant from his throne. The
liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp. This



fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my
ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to
hun - gry poor shall weep no more, for the
sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the



weak - ness you did not spurn, So from east to west shall my
those who would for you yearn, You will show your might, put the
food they can nev - er earn; There are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry
prom - ise which holds us bound, 'Til the spear and rod can be



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?
strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.
mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.
crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.

Refrain



My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the



fires of your jus - tice burn. Wipe a - way all tears, for the



dawn draws near, And the world is a - bout to turn!

Text: Rory Cooney, 1990

Music: Irish melody; Rory Cooney, arr.

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

The Call to Confession (responsive)

Crowds came to God's messenger, the man called John and asked him what they should do. "Share whatever you have," he said. John's words call us to show by our lives that we have turned toward God and live in a community of love. Let us bring before God our concerns for our life together.

The Prayer of Confession (unison)

God of love, we have not always used our gifts for the common good; we have been impatient; we have grumbled against one another; we have often failed to hold fast to what is true; we have neglected to share all we have with those in need. Restore us and make us instruments of your peace. Keep us mindful of our baptism with your Holy Spirit into the communion of Christ Jesus. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

The Silent Confession

The Assurance of Forgiveness

“Noel We Sing”

Sanctuary Choir

Louis Claude Daquin (1694-1772)

Angels of the Lord they came from the heavens singing,
Called the shepherds forth by name while the bells were ringing.
Told the shepherds where they lay, Jesus Christ was born today:
Noel we sing! Christ was born a King.

Leave your ewes and leave your rams, leave the watch you're keeping.
Leave your sheep and leave your lambs on the hillside sleeping.
Rise up shepherd, follow me to the manger lowly.
Noel we sing! Christ was born a King.

To the manger, straight they came, there they knelt before Him,
Singing praises to His name, thus they did adore Him.
Echoing their sweet amen, Christ is born in Bethlehem.
Noel we sing! Christ was born a King.

Trumpets sound and angels sing, join in celebration.
To us all good tidings bring of a new creation.
For today a Child is born, Jesus, son of Mary.
Noel we sing! Christ was born a King.

Text: Louise Dobbs, 1968

Music: Robert De Cormier and E. Power Biggs, arr.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

The Hebrew Bible

Zephaniah 3:14-20

John Rusher

¹⁴Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! ¹⁵The Lord has taken away the judgments against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. ¹⁶On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. ¹⁷The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing ¹⁸as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it. ¹⁹I will deal with all your oppressors at that time. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth. ²⁰At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The Christian Testament

Philippians 4:4-7

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The Anthem

“All Earth Is Hopeful”
James E. Bobb, arr.

Sanctuary Choir

Toda la tierra espera al Salvador,
y el surco abierto, la obra del Señor;
es el mundo que lucha por la libertad,
reclama justicia y busca la verdad.

All earth is hopeful, the Savior comes at last!
Furrows lie open for God's creative task:
this, the labor of people who struggle to see
how God's truth and justice set everybody free.

People of Israel, you heard the prophet tell:
"A virgin mother will bear Emmanuel";
she conceived him "God with us," our brother, whose birth
restores hope and courage to children of this earth.

Mountains and valleys will have to be prepared;
new highways opened new protocols declared.
Almost here! God is nearing, in beauty and grace!
All clear every gateway, in haste, come out in haste!

We first saw Jesus a baby in a crib.
This same Lord Jesus today has come to live
in our world; he is present, in neighbors we see
our Jesus is with us, and ever sets us free.

Text and Music: Alberto Taulé (1932-2007)
tr. Madeleine F. Marshall, 1995

The Morning Prayer

Leah Reed

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven.
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Gospel

Luke 3:7–18

⁷John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. ⁹Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.”

¹⁰And the crowds asked him, “What then should we do?” ¹¹In reply he said to them, “Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise.” ¹²Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, “Teacher, what should we do?” ¹³He said to them, “Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you.” ¹⁴Soldiers also asked him, “And we, what should we do?” He said to them, “Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages.”

¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶John answered all of them by saying, “I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.” ¹⁸So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

LEADER: This is the Gospel of Christ.

PEOPLE: **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

The Sermon

Christopher Chapman

“What Are We Doing Here Today?”

RESPONDING IN FAITH

The Invitation to Christian Discipleship

If you desire membership in this congregation, you are invited to present yourself during the singing of the Hymn of Discipleship. As an open membership church, we honor your previous baptism in any other Christian community. If you have not made a confession of faith, we invite you to do so and receive Christian baptism. Church members are invited to use this time to reflect upon their covenantal relationship with God and their commitment to Christian service.

*The Hymn of Discipleship, 170

CAROL

“It Came Upon the Midnight Clear”
(stanzas 1 & 3)

*The Offertory Prayer

The Offering

“The Many Moods of Christmas”
(Suite III, Christmas Carols and Hymns)
Robert Shaw/Robert Russell Bennett, arr.

Sanctuary Choir

What Child Is This?/Traditional English

What Child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, While shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ, the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The Babe, the Son of Mary!

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing/Felix Mendelssohn

All:

**Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King:
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with th'angelic hosts proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"**

**Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.
Hark the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"**

Bring a Torch, Jeannette, Isabella/Traditional French

Bring a torch, Jeannette, Isabella!	Skies are glowing, the heavens are cloudless,
Bring a torch, come hurry and run.	Bright the path to the manger bed.
It is Jesus, good folk of the village;	Hasten, all who would see little Jesus,
Christ is born and Mary's calling.	Shining bright as yonder star.
Ah! ah! beautiful is the Mother!	Ah! ah! beautiful is the Mother!
Ah! ah! beautiful is the Child!	Ah! ah! beautiful is the Child!

It is wrong when the baby is sleeping,
It is wrong to speak so loud;
Silence, now, as you come near the cradle,
Lest you awaken little Jesus.
Ah! ah! beautiful is the Mother!
Ah! ah! beautiful is the Child!

Angels We Have Heard on High/Traditional French

Gloria in excelsis Deo!

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Angels we have heard on high,	Come to Bethlehem and see
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,	Him whose birth the angels sing.
And the mountains in reply	Come, adore on bended knee
Echoing their joyous strains.	Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

*The Doxology

(All)

**See him in a manger laid,
Whom the choirs of angels praise.
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid
While our hearts with love we raise.**

Gloria in excelsis Deo!

(Choir) *Gloria in excelsis Deo!*

DEPARTING TO SERVE

*The Benediction

*The Chimes

Three chimes are sounded, sending us into the world with the love of God, the Good News of Jesus Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit. As you go, remember, “you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people.”

*The Postlude

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

Maureen Howell

Dale Wood

*The congregation may stand.

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Dennis Ellis, percussion

Stephen Hambright, percussion

Amanda LaBrecque, oboe

Becky Mercer, flute

Cady Mercer, flute

Will Mercer, bass

Rachel Niketopoulos, horn

Chad Reed, guitar

Anthony Taylor, clarinet

Wenmin Zhang, bassoon

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The Deacon on Call is John Rusher. A 36-year member, John is a member of the Unity Sunday School Class. He and his wife Mary Nash have three children: David, Tom, and Kelly.

Our offering helper is Elizabeth Yelverton, reminding us that no matter our age, we all can offer our gifts of thanksgiving to God.

The new Advent parament was dreamed up by LaCount Anderson after he attended the annual Music & Worship Week at Montreat and learned about the intricacies of designs used for sacred artwork in places of worship. We hope this image inspires congregants to reflect on the birth of Christ during this season of hope, joy, and anticipation.

Please note: our last day serving guests in the clothing ministry this year will be Monday, December 16. We will also close to donations from December 18 through January 5 in order to give our volunteers a break for the Christmas season, and take time to reset and plan for the upcoming year. We appreciate your help with this as our storage spaces are currently quite limited.

Join us tonight at 5pm, when the children of our church will share the story of Jesus' birth by becoming the characters in the nativity story! Please bring gifts of warmth (gloves, toboggins, scarves, blankets); these will be a part of our offertory during the service and will be given to the Clothing Ministry to share with clients this winter. We'll conclude with a little Birthday Party for Jesus reception (cake and ice cream) in the fellowship hall.

Hospitality + Community, our 2025 stewardship emphasis, is underway. Please prayerfully consider how you can give generously and with gratitude to God through First Baptist Church. Use the QR code to the right to make your pledge today! As of December 12, we have received 85 pledges totaling \$766,340.



End-of-year giving: Please continue to be faithful to your financial stewardship commitment. Your generous support toward this year's budget will allow us to end the year with a solid base on which to begin 2025. Year-end contributions must be received or postmarked by December 31.

Church conference: Wednesday, December 18; meal served at 5:15pm, prayer time and program at 6:15pm. See the *Rose Window Weekly* for documents and Zoom link.

Wednesday night meal reservations may be made at the church website (www.fbcraleigh.org/foodservice), by email (dmast@fbcraleigh.org), or by calling the church office (919-832-4485). The menu for December 18 is vegetarian chili with cornbread.


Diaper changing stations are located in the men's and women's bathrooms on each floor of the Lewis building, and a nursing room is located in our preschool suite on the first floor.

Children of all ages are welcome in worship! Worship bags are located in the narthex and in the Gathering Room; preschoolers (birth – kindergarten) are also welcome to join the supervised play in the preschool suite on first floor.

To access the church WiFi, please use our guest network: *FBC-MG*; password: "biography." You will need to sign in upon each use.

Visiting? We'd love to get to know you. Scan the QR code to the right to share your contact information.



 To facilitate your giving to FBC, use this QR code to link to the website for our main electronic giving and the page that lists all our e-giving options and instructions.

Calendar Highlights • December 15–22

Sunday, December 15

- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 FBC worship (sanctuary/YouTube)
JBC worship (227)
- 12:15 Deacons' meeting (220)
- 5:00 Vesper service/ Children's Christmas Story (sanctuary)
- 6:30 Sanctuary Choir Christmas party (Ellis home)

Monday, December 16

- 10:00 Clothing ministry open

Tuesday, December 17

- 10:00 Staff meeting (conference room)
- 10:45 WMU Group 2 (Springmoor)
- 1:00 WMU Group 2 (Independence Village)
- 1:30 Yoga class (302)

Wednesday, December 18

- 5:15 Meal served (fellowship hall)
- 6:15 Church conference (fellowship hall)
- 6:30 Youth Bible study (Blue Room)
- 7:30 Adult choir rehearsal (310/sanctuary)

Thursday, December 19

- 7:00 Band of Brothers (Zoom)
- 10:30 Thirty-Niners (fellowship hall)

Sunday, December 22

- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 FBC worship/Baptism (sanctuary/YouTube)
- 1:30 JBC Christmas service (sanctuary)
- 3:00 JBC Christmas reception (301/302)

The Greening of the Church

The fresh flowers, wreaths, garland, and Chrismon tree that adorn our sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in honor of or in memory of these loved ones and friends.

The three wreaths on the rail in front of the church are given in loving memory of Dr. Clifford and Ruby Byrum by their family.

The wreaths on the sanctuary doors are given in memory of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Brantley, Sr.; Mr. and Mrs. John C. Brantley, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Castlebury; and John C. Brantley, IV; by John C. Brantley, III.

The Advent wreath is given in honor of Alan, Kimberly, Emily, and Matthew Taylor by Mom and Dad.

The center wreath on the choir loft rail is given in loving honor of their grandchildren: Claire and Parker Carothers, Carter and Kinley Pegram by Sam and Linda Carothers.

The right-side wreath on the choir loft rail is given in memory of Scott Lingafelt.

The left-side wreath on the choir loft rail is given in honor of their grandchildren, Asher and Ryder Helms, by Sterling and Myra Brickell.

The wreaths on the clothing ministry doors are given in memory of Daddy Ree, Mama Nette, Nana, and Da by Jess and John Rhodes and Sarah Catherine Rhodes.

The wreath on the State lot door is given in memory of Ed and Laura Anne Vick by their daughters, Jennifer, Carolyn, and Elizabeth.

The wreath on the left choir loft door is given in grateful honor of Warren and Maureen Howell by the Sanctuary Choir.

The wreath on the right choir loft door is given in loving memory of their parents, Mary Kellam and Jimmy Hollis and William and Lillian Dickens, by Carolyn and Kent Dickens.

The wreaths on the church office doors are given in memory of Madge and O. H. Dillard by their twelve disciples.

The wreaths on the Infant Toddler Center entrance of the Lewis Education Building are given in loving honor of Margie, Wade, Cameron, and Charlotte Sasser by Diane and Dennis Ellis.

The wreaths on the Edenton Street doors of the Lewis Education Building are given in memory of Madge Dillard; O. H. Dillard, Jr.; Helen J. Davis; Norman Earl Davis, Jr.; Helen D. Smith; Charles Smith; Catherine C. Davis; Roger Allen Gregg, Jr.; and Dr. Roger Allen Gregg, Sr., by their family.

The wreaths on the west parking lot doors of the Lewis Education Building are given in loving memory of their son, Blayne, and Regina's great aunt, Doris Bagby, by Steve and Regina Brown.

A pew wreath in memory of Jennifer Lane and Wilton and Evelyn Wheeley is given by Lynn and Bill Loomis.

A pew wreath in honor of Lynn Lingafelt is given by the FBC elementary Sunday School teachers.

The poinsettia in the library is given in loving memory of Aileen Simpson by Edith and Steve Simpson.

In Honor of:

Annette Barnes
Cece and Jackson Bissette
Betsy and Clint Neal (“Ma-Ma and Granddaddy”)

Lindsey and Brantley Blanchard

Their children, Kirsten, Joe, Tom, and Kate

Their grandchildren, Remi, Lotti, Olivia, Maeve, and Chloe

Greg Flowers

Sonia Moore

Carolyn Crutchfield

Betty and Rance Henderson

Lauren, Nick, Caroline, and Savannah Bradley

Joan Hobson

Their teachers

Bob Kimball, Jean Elliott

Their grandchildren, Jett, Emma, and Ford

Jamie and Charles Petty

Allison, Tanner, Ana, Caleb, Claire, Tom, Ben, and Dylan

The grandparents of Crosby and Vivian

Charles Ward Sanders

Jano Shelton Sanders Peralta

Jolie Chiara Sanders

Judson Lee Sanders

Their grandchildren, Dylan, Gabby, Theo, and Penelope

Bonnie Baker

Linville Roach

Given By:

Paula and Mike Barnes
Jennifer and Jay Bissette

Maria, Tom, Katie, Ann, and Caroline Childrey

Christina Davis

Catharine and Jerry Dudeck

Catharine and Jerry Dudeck

Marchelle Flowers

Marchelle and Greg Flowers

The Hager/Crutchfield family

The Henderson family

Shirley and John Hobson

Shirley and John Hobson

John Hiott Fellowship Class

Susan Kimball

Laura and Ron Maness

Laura and Daniel Rohrbaugh

BJ and Ron Sanders

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Elizabeth and Victor Santana

Linda Sears

The Unity class

In Memory of:

Her husband, Harry Aslett
Her parents, Minnetta and William James Morgan
“Grantabelle,” Aunt Annabel Hardison

The Bacons: Crystal, Dan, Nate, Savannah, and Addie

Stanton Bailey

Dolores and Bob Bailey

Owen Tudor

Dolores and Bob Bailey

Doris and Max Baldwin

John, Kari, John, and Will Baldwin and Worth, Ann, Sarah, and Georgia Harris

George Barnes

Annette Barnes

George Barnes

Paula and Mike Barnes

Jerry T. Blanchard, Sr. (“Daddy, Granddaddy”)

The Blanchard Family

Joe E. Overman (“Daddy, Papa”)

The Blanchard Family

Glenn Davis (“Daddy”)

Lindsey and Brantley Blanchard, Jr.

Their parents

Myra and Sterling Brickell

Katherine and Charles Childrey (“Grandmama” and “Pop”)

Maria, Tom, Katie, Ann, and Caroline Childrey

Aunt Mary Alice Ipock

Maria, Tom, Katie, Ann, and Caroline Childrey

Robert Lewis (“Uncle Bob”)

Maria, Tom, Katie, Ann, and Caroline Childrey

Jim Clary

Margaret Clary

The parents of Margaret and Jim Clary

Margaret Clary

Andy Wilson

The Collins family

Danny Thomerson

Reg Cook

Corbin and Nelson Cooper

Joan A. Cooper

Raymond Cumbea

Valerie Cumbea

Nettie and Robert Cumbea

Valerie Cumbea

Phyllis Dance

Valerie Cumbea

Bill Himes

Valerie Cumbea

Fannie Leggett

Valerie Cumbea

Mike Dodd

Mary Lou Dodd

Their baby grandson

Catharine and Jerry Dudeck

Carmen and Walton Ferrell, Sr.

Walton, Steve, and Larry Ferrell

H.F., Ginny, and Forest Flowers

Marchelle and Greg Flowers

Dick Moore

Marchelle and Greg Flowers

Janice Good

Jim Good

Zita and Bill Coffey

Karen Coffey Hager and Wayne Hager

Dr. Graham Crutchfield	The Hager/Crutchfield family
Evelyn and Douglas Hager	The Hager family
Rev. Joy C. Hager	The Hager/Crutchfield family
Mary Anne Jobe	The Heironimus/Goodell family
Anna Helms and Blayne Brown	Jess and Chase Helms
Scott Lingafelt, Durwood Pegram, Andy Wilson, and Harold Yelverton	Jess and Chase Helms
Their teachers	John Hiott Fellowship Class
Their parents	Sheila and John Hite
Pauline Wilkins Garrard, John Wilkins, Sam Garrard, and Joanne Wilkins Canady	Shirley and John Hobson
Edward Hobson	Shirley and John Hobson
Andrew Austin Howell	Maureen and Warren Howell
Kay Huggins	Barbara Huggins
Her parents, Mary Frances and Ernie Johnson	Emily Johnson
Her grandparents, Emily and Clarence Perry	Emily Johnson
Her sister, Becky Wines	Emily Johnson
Mary and Boyce Kimball, Frank Elliott	Susan and Bob Kimball
Donna Lynn Toms	Susan and Bob Kimball
Mack Conway	Denise and Mike King and Lauren Teague
Their mother, Mary Jane Marshbanks	Lynn, Alice, and Ann Marie
Their grandmother, Mary Jane Marshbanks	Anna, Jonathan, and Jane
Odell, Polly, and Diane McCollum	Beth McCollum
Frank Powers	Carol and Jim Millen
Harold, Annie, and Scott Moore	The Poteat family
Richard Gene Puckett	Robbie Puckett
Eileen Graham	Elizabeth Riley
Christy Alston	Linda and Dan Roberts
John Holley	The Scriptural Serendipity class
Danny Thomerson	The Scriptural Serendipity class
Harold Glen Sanders, Sr.	BJ and Ron Sanders
Harold Glen Sanders, Jr.	BJ and Ron Sanders
June Celest Sanders	BJ and Ron Sanders
Shelton Elizabeth Sanders	BJ and Ron Sanders
James Halston Ward	BJ and Ron Sanders
Roberta Dyer Ward	BJ and Ron Sanders

Her mother, Sarah Connor

Maurice Baker

Howard Shell

Frances and Marvin Mann

June Cheek

Betsy Purcell

Rolin Stevens

Jerry Stevens

Alice and George Tunstall

Frank P. Powers

Marianne Webb

Gladys and Lacy Beane and Tessie and Johnie Cockman

Elizabeth and Victor Santana

Linda Sears

Frances Shell

John Shell

Patrick Simpson

Patrick Simpson

Berti Stevens

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Anne Tunstall

The Unity class

Joe Webb

Beth, Rich, and Megan Wood

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Michael Hood, Youth/College	Jun Matsuzaki, Japanese Ministry Pastor
Maureen Howell, Organist/Music Assistant	Leah Anderson Reed, Community

A place of grace, a place of challenge, a place for you.