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WORSHIP NOTES

Restrooms are located in the Foyer and in the hallway behind the Sanctuary (please exit through the piano-side door).

Childcare is available for infants, toddlers and PreK in the nursery. An usher will be glad to lead you to the nursery area (below the Banquet Hall).

Clergy of the Week: Jeremy Shoulta (jeremy.shoulta@fbcgainesville.org)
Deacon Team of the Week: David Shumake, Katie Dubnik, Jeff Lawson, Ken Lott, Johnny Carter

The flowers in the Sanctuary are in loving memory of Ernie Fellers given by the Kindred Spirits Sunday School Class.

If you have any safety concerns or needs this morning, please feel welcome to speak with our security officer, Ret. Lt. Nina Harkins, who usually can be found in the church foyer.

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Grace discovered.
Traditions renewed.

Welcome to worship! We encourage all guests to complete a Connect Card (located in the pew) and drop it in the offering plate during the service. You are also invited to stop by the Guest Table (located in the Foyer) to receive further information about First Baptist Church.

What Are You Looking For?

Third Sunday After Epiphany
January 21, 2024 | 11:00 AM

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First Baptist Church Sanctuary

Gathering Music“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”arr. Schuster
Curtis Malcom, Violin; Mark Green, Piano

Chiming of the Hour

AcolytesClifton & Ollie Malcom

*Call to WorshipPsalm 42:1-6aAustin Donnell, Reader

*Hymn of No. 49“As the Deer”Nystrom

*Invocation, Welcome & Opportunities to ServeRev. Dr. Tony Lankford

Hymn No. 633“All the Way My Savior Leads Me”Crosby

Music Meditation“Savior, Redeemer of My Soul”Gardner
Gary Lacey, Solo; Curtis Malcom, Violin

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord’s PrayerOur 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.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

*Offertory Hymn No. 598“Jesus Is the Song”Danner

*Offertory PrayerJan Best
Deacon Secretary

Offertory Praise“Take It To The Lord in Prayer”arr. Cranfill
Exaltation Orchestra; Glenn Eernisse, Director

*The Doxology (No. 706)Ken

(Children K- 5th Grades are invited to Children’s Church in Room 108)

Children’s PrayerRev. Dr. Tony Lankford

Choral Anthem“Do Not Fear”Sterling
Sanctuary Choir; Exaltation Orchestra

Do not fear! For those who have waited so long, the hope of a new day has dawned. Salvation draws near. Do not fear! For with this miraculous birth, now joy has descended to earth, so be of good cheer. Do not fear!
May all our anguish and hatred now cease, as we bow down to the bringer of peace. Do not fear! For love is the gift we were giv’n when Christ left His throne up in heav’n to be with us here. Do not fear! So let our praises arise when we sing, “All glory be to the King of all kings!” Do not fear!
Take courage and be not dismayed, and let not your heart be afraid. The Savior is here! Do not fear! Do not fear! Do not fear! Do not fear! Do not fear! Christ is here!

Sermon“What Are You Looking For?Rev. Dr. Jeremy Shoulta
(John1:29-42; Pew Bible No. 1646)

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him, but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Chosen One.”

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas”(which is translated Peter).

Hymn of Response“At the Name of Jesus”Noel
No. 424Stanzas 1 and 3

*BenedictionRev. Dr. Jeremy Shoulta

Postlude“”Lord Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing”arr. Fedak
Hannah Bradley, Organ