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Financial Administrator
Director of Children's Ministries

WORSHIP NOTES

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

Coffee is available in the South Portico Lobby.

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: Randy Meincke, Joy Banks and Bob Page

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.

First Baptist Church is a **Stephen Ministry congregation**. Stephen Ministers are caregivers trained to provide one-to-one care to those experiencing a difficult time in life. If you would like to be put in touch with a Stephen Minister, please call **770-534-7354**.

Your financial support gives First Baptist Church the opportunity to share the love of Christ in Gainesville and beyond. **To give online or to set up a recurring donation, please visit www.fbcgainesville.org/give or scan the QR code.** Apple pay is also available on the giving screen.



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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 by the Chapel doors. You are also invited to stop by the Guest Table (located in the Foyer) to receive further information about First Baptist Church.

“The Power and Wisdom of God”

First Sunday After Epiphany
January 12, 2025 | 8:45 AM

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First Baptist Church Chapel

Gathering Song	<i>There's a Wideness in God's Mercy</i> Tami Easterday, Piano
Call to Worship	<i>Strength Will Rise</i>
Song of Praise	<i>Be Strong in the Lord</i>
Welcome & Prayer	Tony Lankford
Song of Celebration	<i>Jesus Messiah</i>
Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31	Tammy Wikholm
<i>For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scholar? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of the proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews ask for signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength. Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to abolish things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. In contrast, God is why you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."</i>	
Words of Teaching	"The Power and Wisdom of God" Jeremy Shoulta
Song of Response	<i>Will You Come and Follow Me</i>
Opportunities to Connect & Serve	Kellie Denton
Morning Prayer (Including the Lord's Prayer)	Jeremy Shoulta
Congregational Response	Chorus of <i>Jesus Messiah</i>
Departing Song	<i>Come Christians Join to Sing</i> Tami Easterday, Piano

****Your giving is important. Offering baskets are located at both exits.****

A special thank you to Susan Eernisse, Carrie Owens, Tim Corbin, Tami Easterday, Piano; Chris Owens, Electric Bass and Herve Aklotsoe, Cajon for leading our music today.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Small Group for College Students and Young Professionals

Thursdays | 6:30 -9:00 PM

New Year, Old Testament! This group meets at the home of Jan & Bryant Best. Please contact Kellie Denton or Jan Best if you are interested. kellie.denton@fbcgainesville.org

Deacon Ordination

January 26 | 11:00 AM Worship Service

Mark your calendars for our new Deacon Ordination during the 11:00 worship service!

K-5th Children's Choirs

January 26 | 11:00 AM Worship Service

Save the date! The Music Makers, Treble Tones and Young Musicians Choirs will sing at the 11:00 worship service on January 26. Parents, please have the children meet in the Sanctuary at 10:30 AM for sound-checks.

FBC 101 & 102

February 2 and February 16 | 9:45 AM

If you are a new member of FBC or you have been visiting us, we invite you to join Pastors Jeremy and Tony for breakfast! This is a great time to learn more about FBC and get plugged in! Please RSVP to patsyshuford@gmail.com

THIS WEEK AT FBC

Monday

Men's Bible Study
9:00 AM | Banquet Hall

Carpenter Mission Group
10:00 AM | Parlor

We will hear from Letiecia Davenport, Family Advocate at Gateway Domestic Violence Center. She will be updating us on the important work going on at their new location.

Tuesday

Women's Bible Study
10:00 AM | FLC-Gathering Room

Wednesday

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10:00 AM | FLC-Gathering Room

5:00 PM: Dinner in Banquet Hall

5:45 PM: Women's Bible Study in Parlor

6:00 PM: Adult Bible Study; Jesus: Game Changer

6:00 PM: Children's Choirs

6:00 PM: Youth

6:50 PM: Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

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your spot for the most amazing camp experience

Woodland's Camp: Pee Wee Camp ages 6-8
May 22-24 \$225 with a \$50 deposit which goes toward the total cost. Junior Camp dates are forthcoming! Deposit for Pee Wee camp due by January 31. Please email Tammy Wikholm: tammy.wikholm@fbcgainesville.org or Alicia Donnell: alicia.donnell@fbcgainesville.org to sign up your child/children.

Wednesday Nights
6:00 PM | Banquet Hall

JESUS THE GAME CHANGER

HOW THE LIFE AND TEACHING OF JESUS CHANGED THE WORLD AND WHY IT MATTERS.