

*First Baptist Church
of Wollaston
December 26, 2021*



Prelude

(Please meditate quietly during the prelude)

April Gardiner

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Join us in person at 81 Prospect Ave, Wollaston at 10:30am Service

Join us on Zoom (Sunday 10:30)

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Lighting of the Advent Christ Candle:

Call to Worship in unison:

Father, thank you for the gift of your Son. For sending Him into our world to be our Savior, who will save his people from their sins-Our sins. Thank you. In Jesus' holy name we pray. AMEN

Hymn of Praise: Blue Hymnal #166 "While by the Sheep We Watched"

<p>1. While by the sheep we watched at night, glad tidings brought an angel bright.</p> <p>Refrain: How great our joy! Great our joy! Joy, joy, joy! Joy, joy, joy! Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high! Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!</p>	<p>2. There shall be born, so he did say, in Bethlehem a child today. [Refrain]</p> <p>3. There shall the child lie in a stall, this child who shall redeem us all. [Refrain]</p> <p>4. This gift of God we'll cherish well, that ever joy our hearts shall fill. [Refrain]</p>
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Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Gloria Patri

Peace of Christ

Scripture Lesson: John 1:1-13 (Elizabeth)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was with God in the beginning. ³ Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. ⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome^[a] it.

⁶ There was a man sent from God whose name was John. ⁷ He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. ⁸ He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

⁹ The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. ¹⁰ He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. ¹¹ He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. ¹² Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— ¹³ children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

Offertory

Musical Selection

April Gardiner

(Please place your tithes and offerings in the plate in front of the church. Thank you.)

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Joys & Concerns

Let us please keep our friends and neighbors in our hearts this Christmas Season and New Year.

Pastor's Prayer

Hymn of Preparation: Blue Book #151 "Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

<p>Refrain: Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills, and ev'rywhere; go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.</p> <p>1. While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night, behold, throughout the heavens there shone a holy light. [Refrain]</p>	<p>2. The shepherds feared and trembled when lo, above the earth rang out the angel chorus that hailed our Savior's birth. [Refrain]</p> <p>3. Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born, and God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn. [Refrain]</p>
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Sermon: Lesson on “The Twelve Days of Christmas”

Pastor Bill

Text: John 1:14-18

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

¹⁵ (John testified concerning him. He cried out, saying, “This is the one I spoke about when I said, ‘He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.’”) ¹⁶ Out of his fullness we have all received grace in place of grace already given. ¹⁷ For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. ¹⁸ No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and^{is} in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known.

**Parting Hymn: Blue Book #152 “The Twelve Days of Christmas” (see Handout)
Benediction**

Postlude

April Gardiner

Please stay for the coffee hour today in the chapel.

And please welcome Ms. April Gardiner as our guest organist today!

Happenings on the Hill!

Please get all pledge cards in A.S.A.P.

We have pledge boxes ready for pick-up today. Thanks 😊

The Official Call for the 2021 Annual Meeting: In accordance with Article II, Section 2, of the By-Laws, I hereby present the call for the 150th Annual Meeting of The First Baptist Church of Wollaston, Wollaston, Massachusetts, to be held at the Church in Fellowship Hall on Sunday, February 6, 2022 at 12:30pm. The business of the meeting shall be to hear and act upon Reports of the Church Officers and Committees; make appropriations for the year 2022; elect Officers of the Church and Members of the Church Council, and to transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.
Lewann E. Mina, Church Clerk

***Please get all reports for the Annual meeting to the office by
no later than January 14th, 2022. Thank you!***

Sermon Schedule

December 2021			Scripture Lesson	Reader
12/5	<i>Prince of Peace</i>	Pastor Bill	John 14:25-27	Joyce
12/12	<i>Children's Service</i>	Stacey Dooley	Isaiah 9:6	Jeff
12/19	<i>The Cradle to the Cross</i>	Pastor Bill	Luke 2:1-20	
12/24	<i>No Evening Service</i>			
12/26	<i>12 Days of Christmas</i>	Pastor Bill	John 1: 14-18	

• **Weekly Online Schedule:**

Sun	10:30 am	Sunday Worship (link above)
Thu	6:30 pm	Thursday Bible Class – Revelation
Fri	11:00 am	Prayer Group Meeting

Zoom Link for Bible study & Prayer Group

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83423063965?pwd=citBSUYyQmNyLytIOTc5L0hTUmxCUT09>

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