

WELCOME

“We Reserve the Right to Accept Everybody”

Childcare is provided in the education center. Hearing assistance receivers are available from an usher.

Following worship, join one another for a reception period downstairs. As a hospitality to visitors, a tour of the historic Meeting House will be conducted at 12:15 PM.

Our pastor and deacons welcome the opportunity to speak with you about your interest in church membership. The church provides an Inquirer’s Room located on the first level of the Meeting House just off the main hallway for anyone who is interested.

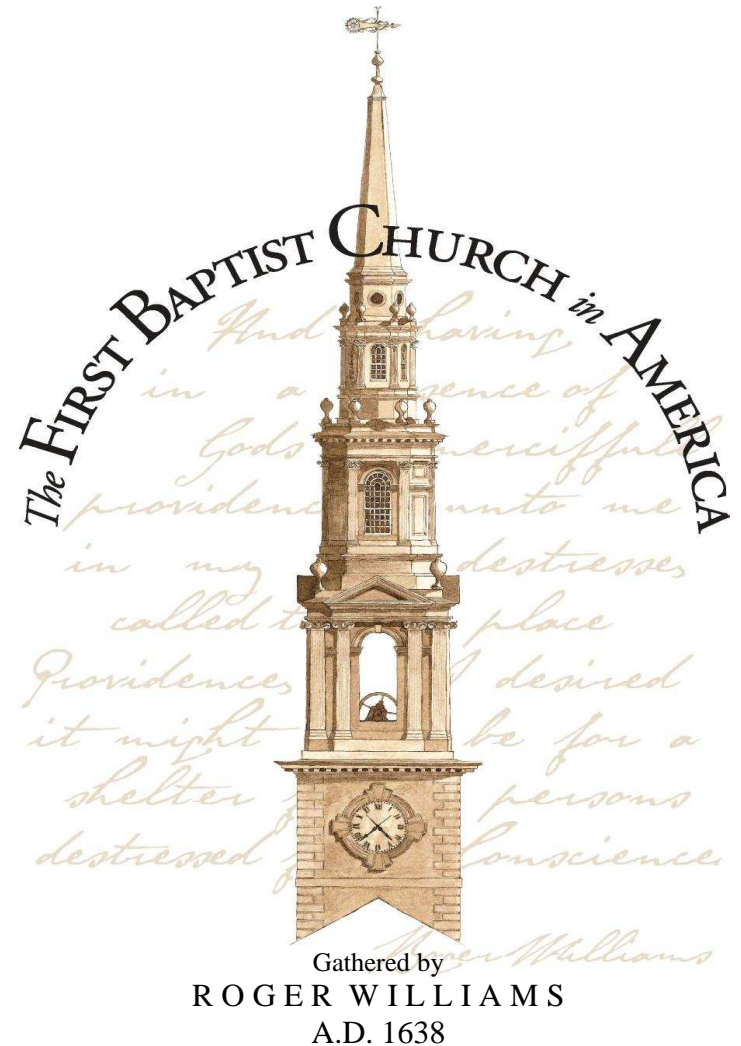
Weekly Activities

Wed. 1/14/15	1:30	PM	Spirituality Group	
Thur. 1/15/15	6:00	PM	Spirituality Group	
	1/15/15	7:30	PM	Choir Rehearsal
Sun	11:00	AM	Worship Service	
	12:15	PM	Guided Tour	

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Ministry Staff

Interim Minister	Thomas R. McKibbens
Associate Pastor	Linda Bausserman
Minister of Music	Stephen T. Martorella
Administrative Assistant	Holly B. Edwards
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December 21, 2014
Eleven O'clock AM

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Improvisation on a Prelude

“Puer nobis nascitur” Jean-François Dandrieu

Greeting

Associate Pastor, Linda Bausserman

A Time for Reflection

Lighting the Advent Candle

Isaiah 7:10-16

Leader: Today we light the fourth candle on the Advent Wreath, completing the circle around the Christ candle. With this flame we are reminded of the love of God that surrounds us. That love is stronger than all the evil that tempts us to despair. We love, because God first loved us.

[Fourth candle is lit]

ALL: (Singing):

**O come, Desire of Nations, bind
All peoples in one heart and mind;
Bid envy, strife and quarrels cease;
Fill the whole world with heaven's peace.
Rejoice, rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.**

*Invocation (Unison)

Loving God, we open ourselves to you this Christmas season. As these candles are lit, light our lives with your love. Fill us with the kind of joy that cannot be contained, but must be shared. Magnify your love within us. Prepare our hearts to be transformed by you, that we may walk in the light of Christ, who taught us to pray...Our Father....(Please use “debts”)

*Hymn 167 “Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence” *Picardy*

Scripture

Matthew 1:18-25

Anthem “Rocking” Czech carol
Sarah Dunn, soprano arranged by David Willcocks
Samuel Brunner, tenor

Prayers of the People

Thomas McKibbens

*Hymn 144 “The Hands That First Held Mary’s Child”
(Thomas H. Troeger) *Kingsfold*

(Children are dismissed for Christian Education)

Preaching

“The Birth That Rocked the World”

Thomas McKibbens

Offertory

“Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”

Polish carol
arranged by David Willcocks

*Doxology 809

Old Hundredth

*Prayer of Dedication

*Parting Carol Sing

*Commission and Blessing

*Choral Benediction

“Dona nobis pacem”

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

*Postlude “In dulci jubilo” BWV 729 Johann Sebastian Bach

Worship Participants

Greeters

Holly and Michael Edwards

Usher:

Larry Wilson and Mark Hall

Tour Guide:

Stan Lemons