

*A SERVICE TO CELEBRATE
NEW YEAR'S EVE*

A graphic with the text "Happy NEW Year 2022" in a mix of black cursive and yellow sans-serif fonts, surrounded by yellow and light blue stars.

Happy
NEW
Year
2022

**First Baptist Church
700 N. Highland Avenue
Winston-Salem, NC 27101**

Friday, December 31, 2021

**Rev. Coker A. Stewart, guest speaker
Cedar Creek Missionary Baptist Church
Mocksville, North Carolina**

**Rev. Glenn Pettiford, Assistant Pastor
First Baptist Church**

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Friday, December 31, 2021
12:00 noon

Call To Worship & Opening Prayer

2021 is about to end and 2022 is about to begin. Let us worship God; putting away the old things that have passed and celebrating all the newness God creates. Let us be thankful for all the newness in us He has created. Let us worship the God from whom all blessings flow.

Selection

“Lift Every Voice And Sing”

Congregation

Year End Litany

Pastoral Observation

Rev. Glenn Pettiford

Offertory Prayer

Music (medley)

Ms. Eleanor Tyndall

Scripture

Isaiah 40:28-31

MESSAGE

“Love Be Willing, There Is Still Hope”

Rev. Coker Stewart

Invitational Hymn

Pastoral Prayer For The New Year

Year End Litany

Leader: O God, as was customary of our parents and ancestors, we come to this Year End vigil to be with you, in your house, as we usher out the old year and welcome the dawning of a new year.

Congregation: We come, thanking you for guidance and direction. Go before us, O God, and draw us into the future where you are.

Leader: Our slave ancestors watched that night long ago for the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation. Lord, keep us awake and alert as we follow in the light of your Word, searching for the good news of the gospel, and the comforting signs of your love in this world.

Congregation: We thank you for watching over us and caring for us through the old year, as we walked in the light of your promises of peace, healing, and justice.

Leader: We come, O God, with great expectations and great hopes. Keep these fires kindled within us that we may watch and wait, and once more feel your presence. Let us know your power as we embark upon this journey.

Congregation: You have led us in the past. Guide us now, and always, that we might choose to do your will and follow your way. We are pilgrims in a barren land.

Leader: We give you praise, O God, for your goodness and mercy; for life, health and friends, and for the many blessings you always send. Above all, we thank you for Jesus Christ, who lifts our hopes, guides us in the Way, in this new year, and in years to come.

All: All praise, honor, glory, and thanks to you, our God, through Jesus Christ our risen Savior and Lord.

Rev. Coker A. Stewart

To God be the Glory!

Rev. Coker A. Stewart is the Senior Pastor of Cedar Creek
Missionary Baptist Church, Mocksville, NC.

He is a native of Winston-Salem, NC, youngest son of the late
Deacon Robert and Deaconess Annie Loree Stewart.

Graduate of N C A&T State University, Greensboro, NC

BS Political Science, History

Graduate of Vintage Bible College

Master's of Theology

Further studies- Shaw Divinity School

Graduate studies presently- Hood Theological School

Retired Executive Director of the Madison Housing Authority

Married to the former Jannie L. Pass of Leasburg, NC

Three adult children - Dannica S. Samuels, Joseph R. Stewart,

Dr. Kimberly S. Sureshkumar

Three grandboys- Carson, Adonnis, Josiah