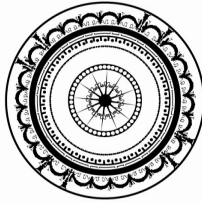


First Baptist Church on Fifth



The Worship of God

June 11, 2017

10:30 am

Invitation to Worship Emily Hull McGee

Prelude: *Schmucke dich, O liebe Seele, Op.122, No.5* J. Brahms

Jacob Hill, Organ

Call to Worship Amy McClure

Leader: Out of the fullness of the lives God has given us
we have gathered for worship.

**People: With thanks we offer to God the creativity of our minds,
the warmth of our hearts, and the joy of our spirits.**

Leader: We love because God has first loved us,
freeing us from the power of sin and death.

**People: With glad hearts let us join together in singing praise
to God: Creator, Word, and Spirit.**

*Hymn 285: *God of Grace and God of Glory* CWM RHONDDA

*Passing of the Peace Emily Hull McGee

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Recognition of Graduates John Thornton

Leader: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the lives and accomplishments of our graduates.

**People: We celebrate with them, acknowledging the strength, perseverance and courage
this day represents as you have sustained them through their journeys.**

Leader: Endow them now with the grace of kindness and compassion to follow the example
of Jesus in using their gifts to heal a broken and hurting world.

**People: We pray that you would awaken their minds to the wholeness of your creation;
grant that they may remain curious about the nature of things in this world
and that their continuing study may reveal to them your presence in it.**

Leader: Give them a clear vision of the persons you have redeemed them to be.
May others witness in them evidence of your grace, mercy and forgiveness
as they offer the same as freely as they have received from your generous hand.

**People: Unite us by your Spirit wherever life takes us as we all heed together Christ's call
to lives of service and praise, in the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*Hymn 283: *Holy Presence, Holy Teacher* HARLAN

Psalm Lesson: Psalm 8 (Pew Bible, OT, p.382) Caroline Cook

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Confession David Williamson

Leader: Creation displays the glory of God,
but our sin keeps us from rejoicing
in the love God reveals.

Leader: Yet Christ Jesus the Son carried our sins to the cross,
and the Holy Spirit breathes new life into us
so that we can praise God, our Maker, Savior, and life-giving Lover.
Let us confess our sins, that we may receive such grace.

**People: Presence, Life, Fire,
God who is Three in One,
we confess that we have turned away from you.
We gaze upon ourselves as if we are worthy of worship.
We take your creation into our hands, not to love,
But too use and then to discard.
We go to the people of the land, not to serve,
but to press them into our service.
We do not deserve that you would even notice us.
But we pray for mercy because you are merciful.
Flame of Love, purify us from sin;
Eternal Now, lead us to your truth;
Risen One, baptize us into union with you.
Transform us into faithful disciples who worship you alone,
God who is Trinity.
Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness David Williamson

Leader: The Holy One of Israel, the Redeemer of all the world,
and the Holy Spirit who comes as the breath of new life
forgets the sins of all who repent.
I declare to you, therefore, that you are forgiven,
in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God!

Choral Blessing: *A Gaelic Blessing* J. Rutter

Sanctuary Choir

Deep peace of the running wave to you. Deep peace of the flowing
air to you, Deep peace of the quiet earth to you, Deep peace of the
shining stars to you, Deep peace of the gentle night to you, Moon
and stars pour their healing light on you, Deep peace of Christ the
light of the world to you, Deep peace of Christ to you.

Prayers for the People Amy McClure

The Lord's Prayer

**Our 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.**

Scripture Lesson: Acts 2:42-47 (Pew Bible, NT, p.91)..... Kim Towles

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: "Practicing Our Faith" Emily Hull McGee

*Hymn of Response 258: *In Christ We Live* WIEUCA

*All are invited to respond to God now in quiet or public ways. Our church
welcomes you to share a new desire to follow in the way of Jesus or to
join our congregation as a member. As we sing, please come to the front
of the sanctuary and share your commitment with one of our ministers.*

*Offertory Prayer Paul McCraw

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: *We'll Shout and Give Him Glory* arr. M. Wilberg

Sanctuary Choir
Jacob Hill and Amy Turner, Piano

I'm on my way to Zion, the New Jerusalem. We'll shout and give him glory, for glory is his own. I feel the work reviving, reviving in my soul. We'll shout and give him glory, for glory is his own. Oh, how I love my Savior because he first loved me! We'll shout and give him glory, for glory is his own.

Mission Moment John Thornton

Opportunities for Ministry Emily Hull McGee

*Doxology LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
O praise God! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One,
O praise God, O praise God!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Benediction Emily Hull McGee

Postlude: *Sonata IV (Allegro maestoso e vivace)* F. Mendelssohn

Jacob Hill, Organ

**Those who are able will please stand.*

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2017 GRADUATES

Dr. Randy Beard, Completed Fellowship in Orthopedics at New England Baptist Hospital, Boston, MA
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SUNDAY, June 11

9:15 am Bible Study
9:15 am Special Committee Conversation (Kelly Auditorium)
10:30 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)
12:00 pm Youth Graduation Celebration (Offsite)

MONDAY, June 12

3:30 pm Nominating Committee (Conference Room)

WEDNESDAY, June 14

12:00 pm John Jordan Group (Gray Room)
4:00 pm Intercessory Prayer Group (Offsite)
7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Music Suite)

THURSDAY, June 15

12:00 pm Senior Adult Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)
4:00 pm Scholarship Committee (Conference Room)

SUNDAY, June 18

8:00 am Deacons' Meeting (Kelly Auditorium)
9:15 am Bible Study
10:30 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)
11:30 am Passport Youth Camp Departure (Offsite)

SERVING TODAY

Deacons of the Week Paul McCraw
Gayle Edwards
Nursery: Babies-Ones Joani Hughes
Gayle Edwards
Nursery: Twos-PreK Bob Edwards
Marty Cook

WORSHIP SERVICE BROADCAST

Our Sunday Morning Worship Service is televised live at 10:30am on Cable Channel 1312 and is streamed live from our website at firstonfifth.org. Online giving is available at give.firstonfifth.org.

PRACTICING OUR FAITH:

A WAY OF LIFE FOR A SEARCHING PEOPLE

Churchwide Summer Sunday School

Our Sunday School hour during the summer months will give each one of us - members of existing Sunday School classes and those of you who have not yet found a class - a chance to gather together for one larger teaching and discussion time during the Sunday School hour. Using the book *Practicing Our Faith* as our guide, we'll spend our time in Sunday School in both large group teaching and small group conversation. Each existing class may choose to join or remain in their regular patterns for the summer. This large group Adult Sunday School will meet in Kelly Auditorium from June 18 through September 3, and the specific schedule of dates and topics will be shared soon!

JUNE

BENEVOLENCE NEEDS

Samaritan Ministries
pork loin, disposable razors, socks

Crisis Control
canned meats
(salmon, beef, ham)

SENIOR ADULT PICNIC

Thursday, June 15 at 12:00 Noon

Please join us for the Senior Adult Picnic June 15, 2017 in the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall at 12 noon. Please bring sides and desserts. Chicken, drinks and paper products will be provided. Sign up at the Senior Adult table.

FIRST FILMS

In this "Year of Living Neighborly" the FBC Arts Ministry is offering a film series based on the lives of unique individuals who overcame a societal obstacle to produce a benefit for society. God often uses "the other" to bless our world! Screenings will begin at 6:30 pm in Kelly Auditorium and admission is free. Refreshments will be provided. Parental guidance ratings are listed below. Childcare and a children's movie (5th grade and under) is available by contacting Amy McClure at amcclure@firstonfifth.org by the dates listed below.

July 14

The Imitation Game (PG-13)
RSVP for childcare by July 10

August 11

The Man Who Knew Infinity (PG-13)
RSVP for childcare by August 7

CHURCH TO VOTE ON JUNE 25 ON SPECIAL COMMITTEE PROPOSAL

On Sunday night, June 4, the Special Committee on Facilities and Mission (SCFM) presented a significant blueprint to the church for addressing the challenges of aligning the mission of the Church with our physical assets. Copies of the full presentation, SCFM member testimonials are available to pick up around the building and on our website at <http://firstonfifth.org>. If you were unable to attend the June 7 & 11 congregational conversations and would still like to provide feedback to the committee, please email your feedback to Gary Knight, chair (gary.michael.knight@gmail.com) or Emily Hull McGee, pastor (ehullmcgee@firstonfifth.org).

Following weeks of conversation, prayer, and discernment, the Special Committee respectfully requests your approval of the full recommendation in a ballot vote to be taken at a called business meeting of the church to be held in the Sanctuary at the end of worship on Sunday, June 25, 2017. If you are a member and unable to attend the called business meeting of the church immediately following the worship service on June 25, 2017, you may request an absentee ballot by calling Sally Barbour at 336-722-2558, ext. 103. Instructions on completing and returning the ballot will be provided with the ballot. All absentee ballots must be received before the business meeting on June 25th. The proposal upon which we will vote reads as follows:

The Special Committee on Facilities and Mission moves to approve its full recommendation that includes the exterior restoration and interior renovation of the Sanctuary building (Building A); a significant reduction in our building's footprint and expenses by removing buildings B and C; building an addition of a 4200 square foot multi-functional space and an outdoor chapel at the rear of the Sanctuary building; and the closing of the Children's Center as of May 31, 2018.

The Special Committee is grateful to you, the faithful and courageous members of First Baptist Church on Fifth, for your prayer and discernment as we consider our future witness and work of Love in Winston-Salem and beyond!