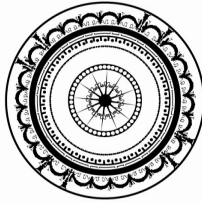


First Baptist Church on Fifth



The Worship of God

July 2, 2017
10:30 am

Invitation to Worship Emily Hull McGee

Prelude: *Spring Songs: IV. Noon Dance* C. Cooman

Judith Saxton, Trumpet
Jacob Hill, Piano

Call to Worship John Thornton

Leader: Sing for joy, heavens and earth;
break forth, O Mountains, into singing!

**People: Our Creator provides for all the people
and has compassion on those who are suffering.**

Leader:: Come out!
The imprisoned shall have freedom.

**People: Show yourselves!
Those who live in darkness will see the light of day.**

Leader: God will feed and protect you;
God will guide you and ease your way.

**People: Glory be given to our Provider and Protector
because God will never forget us;
we are inscribed in the palm of God's hands!**

*Hymn 319: *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* LOBE DEN HERREN

*Passing of the Peace John Thornton

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

Anthem: *The Trumpet in the Morning* arr. D. Wagner

Sanctuary Choir

O when shall we see Jesus and reign with Him above, and hear the trumpet sound in the morning? And from the flowing fountain drink everlasting love, and hear the trumpet sound in the morning? Shout O glory, glory! For we'll mount above the skies, when we hear the trumpet sound in the morning. O do not be discouraged, for Jesus is our friend; and if we ask for knowledge, He'll not refuse to lend. Neither will He upbraid us, though often we request, He'll give us grace to conquer, and take us home to rest. Shout O glory, glory! For we'll mount above the skies, when we hear the trumpet sound in the morning. When shall we be delivered from this vain world of sin, and hear the trumpet sound in the morning? And with our blessed Jesus, drink endless pleasures in, and hear the trumpet sound in the morning? Hear the trumpet in the morning.

Psalm Lesson: Psalm 131 (Pew Bible, OT, p.446) Leslie Lowdermilk

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson: Matthew: 6:25-34 (Pew Bible, NT, p.5)..... Matt Lowdermilk

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Confession Amy McClure

Leader: Brothers and sisters,
let us approach God with calm and quiet souls,
like a weaned child with its mother,
trusting completely in God's provision and mercy.
Let us confess our sins.

**People: Sustaining God,
even though we live in one of the wealthiest countries in the world,
we too often live anxious lives, fearful that we will never have enough.
Forgive us for the hurried, superficial tendencies of our age:
the tendency to value possessions over people,
the tendency to compete for the world's resources,
the tendency to accumulate far beyond our need.
Help us to shed those unnecessary things that encumber our lives,
distracting us from a simple life of faith and service.
Empower us to follow the example of Jesus,
the One who demonstrated a life of simplicity,
non-conformity, and selfless love. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness Amy McClure

Leader: People of God, servants of Christ,
enlightened by the Holy Spirit,
you are clothed, fed, and sheltered by the Holy One
who knows every fiber of your being.
Be assured of God's desire that your prayers for mercy
are heard and have been answered.
In the name of Father, Son, and Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

*Hymn 684: *O Lord, May Church and Home Combine* LAND OF REST

Prayers for the People David Williamson

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.**

Sermon: "Practicing Our Faith: Household Economics" Emily Hull McGee

Celebration of Communion

Music for Communion: *Spring Songs: 1. Morning Elegy* C. Cooman

Judith Saxton, Trumpet
Jacob Hill, Organ

*Hymn of Response 687: *Would You Bless Our Homes and Families* NETTLETON

*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 Leslie Lowdermilk

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: *Spring Songs: III. Thrush Music* C. Cooman

Judith Saxton, Trumpet
Jacob Hill, Organ

Opportunities for Ministry David Williamson

*Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Benediction Emily Hull McGee

Postlude: *Spring Songs: II. Open Sky* C. Cooman

Judith Saxton, Trumpet
Jacob Hill, Piano

**Those who are able will please stand.*

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Missions Fund

At the conclusion of the worship service today you will be given an opportunity to contribute to the Missions Fund. This fund is primarily used to meet immediate physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of people locally and throughout the world. In recent years, this fund has supported the Saturday Night Fellowship Meal, our partnership with Forest Park Elementary School, CBF Field Personnel, and foreign missions efforts by our church members. If you would like to contribute, please make your check payable to First Baptist Church, designated to the Missions Fund.

Church Affirms Special Committee's Proposal on Facilities, Ministries

In a called business meeting and ballot vote, the membership of First Baptist Church voted on Sunday, June 25, on the proposed motion by the Special Committee on Facilities and Mission to do an 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 motion passed overwhelmingly with 90% of voting members in favor of the recommendation.

Sunday's vote followed a month of churchwide conversation and listening sessions stemming from a June 4 presentation to the congregation by the Special Committee on Facilities and Mission. The presentation was the result of eighteen intense months of study and research by the Committee, which built on years of difficult dialogue about the increasing maintenance needs and unsustainable costs of our aging facilities. Sunday's vote makes a way for our church to stay in its current location and provide a more nimble, efficient, consolidated space through which to do ministry.

The greatest impact of this proposal on the church's ministries is in its Children's Center, a full-day, five-star rated, NAEYC-licensed center for early childhood education. After intensive study and comprehensive assessment, it became clear that the church simply cannot afford to keep all three buildings and continue the Children's Center ministry. The congregation has been committed to ensuring as smooth a year-long transition for staff and families as is possible for the church to provide. This is in keeping with a tradition of fifty years of support that the congregation has provided, even when having to cut pastoral staff and ministries in order to manage the rising costs of early childhood education for as long as possible.

As chair of the Special Committee on Facilities and Mission, Gary Knight said, "the response of the church and its members has been overwhelming. In something that impacts so many areas of church, there is sadness in the loss of buildings and ministries, but at the same time there is excitement and hope in what is in store for us in the future."

The next Quarterly Church Conference will be held on July 26, and will include recommendations from the Special Committee on Facilities and Mission to hire the architect and capital campaign consultant for the project. Stay tuned for more details to come!

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Please feel free to contact us if we can be of assistance.

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SUNDAY, July 2

9:15 am Patriotic Brunch
10:30 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)

MONDAY, July 3

Children Depart for Passportkids! Camp

TUESDAY, July 4

Church Office and Children's Center Closed

WEDNESDAY, July 5

10:00 am Children's Movie Time (Kelly Auditorium)
4:00 pm Intercessory Prayer Group (Offsite)

SUNDAY, July 9

9:15 am Bible Study
10:30 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)
11:45 am Youth Team Meeting (Youth Loft)

SERVING TODAY

Deacons of the Week Leslie Lowdermilk
Randy Peters
Nursery: Babies-Ones Joani Hughes
Nursery: Twos-PreK Marty Cook
Anne Rais

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.

JULY BENEVOLENCE NEEDS

Samaritan Ministries ground beef, high-efficiency laundry detergent packs/pods, deodorant
Crisis Control peanut butter

PASSPORTkids! CAMP

Please pray for our children and chaperones as they travel to PASSPORTkids! camp July 3-6!

SUNDAY REFRESHMENTS

Special thanks to those who indicated an interest in helping provide goodies for our combined summer Sunday School sessions July 9 - September 3. Coffee will be provided by the church. Feel free to partner with friends or your Sunday school class to provide light breakfast refreshments (ie. danishes/pastries, doughnuts, muffins, fruit) for the group. To participate, please sign up via the link provided in the eBlast or on our website. Thank you for your hospitality!

Ministry Funding Plan May 2017	Month	YTD
Contributions & Receipts	94,272	388,433
Ministry Costs	80,968	403,955
Over/(Under) Met Needs	13,304	(15,522)
Contributions Current Year	95,386	387,750
Contributions Last Year	84,873	368,883

PRACTICING OUR FAITH: A WAY OF LIFE FOR A SEARCHING PEOPLE Churchwide Summer Sunday School

All youth and adults of all ages — those already involved in Sunday School and those who aren't — are invited to spend a summer "practicing our faith" together! Using the book Practicing Our Faith by Dorothy Bass as our guide, we'll spend our time in a churchwide Sunday School exploring Christian practices, the "shared patterns of activity in and through which life together takes shape over time in response to and in the light of God as known in Jesus Christ. Woven together, they form a way of life." Sunday School will meet each week in Kelly Auditorium from 9:15-10:15am. There will be a few copies of the book available for purchase, or you can buy a copy through Amazon.com.

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 by the dates listed below at amcclure@firstonfifth.org

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

FOREST PARK ELEMENTARY SUMMER BACKPACK DELIVERY

Join your community in a volunteering opportunity for all ages. Each Thursday, volunteers meet at the Fellowship Hall door by 10:30 am. Volunteers travel to the school, set up and serve school lunch from 11:30-12:30. Volunteers will interact with children and parents, hand out backpack food, and participate in other activities. A minimum of 4 volunteers are needed each Thursday. Please contact Anne Rais at 336-972-4359 or asudlowrais@yahoo.com to volunteer.

QUARTERLY CHURCH CONFERENCE TACOS AND TALENTS

July 26

The congregation will gather on Wednesday night, July 26, in the Fellowship Hall for a little business and a little fun! A taco dinner will begin our night together; serving lines open at 5:15pm. Then we will gather for our Quarterly Church Conference, where we will hear the regular business of the church along with a proposal from the Special Committee on Facilities and Mission (SCFM) to hire the architect and capital campaign consultant for our upcoming building work. The recommendation will include hiring Joe Bircher, Senior Project Architect & Partner at Walter Robbs Callahan & Pierce here in Winston-Salem, and Ruben Swint, capital campaign consultant behind The Generosity Guy.

Neither Joe nor Ruben are strangers to First Baptist! Joe is a member and has worked with us on a variety of projects, most recently the Ammons-Lolley Commons and renderings of our physical space as part of the SCFM's proposal. Ruben led the 2006 "Heritage and Hope" capital campaign at First Baptist to renovate the Sanctuary, and has recently led our sister church, Knollwood Baptist, in their capital campaign for the Wellness and Community Center.

Following our time of business, we will move into the "talent" portion of the evening with our 2nd Annual "Tacos & Talents" variety show! Break out your musical instruments, monologues, or mad dancing skills for this evening of fun and holy laughter. Work up your acts, and let Annice Hogsette, our evening emcee, know of your intent to perform! You can reach her at ahogsette@triad.rr.com. Hope to see you there!