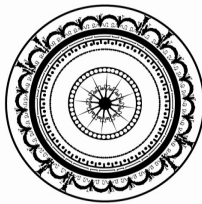


First Baptist Church on Fifth



The Worship of God
Pentecost Sunday
May 20, 2018
10:30 am

Invitation to Worship Emily Hull McGee
Prelude: *Three American Folk Hymns, I. Promised Land* K. Lee Scott
Orchestra
Prayer for Pentecost Sunday Amy McClure

(Please read in unison.)

**Holy God,
like a rushing wind your Spirit moved
upon the first disciples on the day of Pentecost,
and like a purifying fire
your Spirit seared their hearts and minds
with the message of salvation.
Send your Spirit upon your church in this time and place,
stir up our courage,
and rouse us for prophetic witness,
that we may join with them to proclaim to the world
your mighty deeds of power in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*Processional Hymn 225: *On Pentecost They Gathered* ST. THEODULPH
Passing of the Peace John Thornton

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Anthem: *How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place* J. Brahms
Sanctuary Choir

How lovely is Thy dwelling place, O Lord of Hosts! For my soul, it longeth, yea fainteth for the courts of the Lord; my soul and body crieth out, yea, for the living God. How lovely is Thy dwelling place, O Lord of Hosts! Blest are they that dwell within Thy house; they praise Thy name evermore.

The Baptism of Abigail Gleason

Anthem: *Make Me an Instrument of Thy Peace* M. McDonald
Sanctuary Choir

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace. Where there is hatred let me sow love. Where there is injury, pardon. Where there is doubt, faith. Wherever there's despair, hope. Where there's darkness, light. Where there is sadness, joy. Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace. O Lord, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace. For it is in giving that we receive. For it is by faith that we believe. For in forgiving, we are forgiven. It is in dying that we are born to eternal life! Make me an instrument of Thy peace.

Scripture Lesson: Acts 2:1-21 (Pew Bible, NT, p.90)..... Carlos Mir

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* M. Hayes

Sanctuary Choir

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise; the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace. My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name. Let every creature join to praise the one eternal God, ye heavenly hosts the song begin and sound His name abroad. Jesus, the name that calms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease, 'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace. He breaks the power of cancelled sin, He sets the prisoner free. His blood can make the foulest clean; His blood availed for me. He speaks and listening to His voice, new life the dead receive; the mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe. To God all glory, praise, and love be ever, ever given by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven. O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise; the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace. My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name. Let every creature join to praise the one eternal God, ye heavenly hosts the song begin and sound His name abroad.

New Testament Lesson: Romans 8:22-27 (Pew Bible, NT, p.120) Amy McClure

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Confession Sheree Jones

Leader: Let us call on the name of the One who invites us to speak the truth about ourselves and our relationships and promises to show us mercy.

**People: Holy and merciful God,
we do not know how to pray as we ought,
and we know too well our constant failures
to do as you have commanded
and to hold fast to your word.
Forgive us for the divisions we nurture,
guide us to your way,
keep us in your care,
and lead us into faith.
We trust your word that the Spirit of truth
will show us all things
and grant us courage and peace. Amen.**

Words of Assurance..... Sheree Jones

Leader: People of God, body of Christ, sisters and brothers,
Through the power of the Holy Spirit
I declare to you the good news of the gospel:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God.

Celebration of Forgiveness: *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* arr. M. Wilberg

Sanctuary Choir

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it: mount of thy redeeming love. Here I raise my Ebenezer, hither by thy help I'm come; and I hope by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; He to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above. O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it. Prone to leave the God I love: here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

Gospel Lesson: John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15 (Pew Bible, NT, p.84) John Thornton

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Pastoral Prayer Emily Hull McGee

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.**

Choral Response: *He, Watching Over Israel*..... F. Mendelssohn

Sanctuary Choir

He, watching over Israel, slumbers not, nor sleeps.
Shouldst thou, walking in grief, languish, He will quicken thee.

Old Testament Lesson: Ezekiel 37:1-14 (Pew Bible, OT, p.625) Emily Hull McGee

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Homily: "Old Bones, New Body" Emily Hull McGee

*Hymn of Response 566: *O God Our Help in Ages Past* ST. ANNE

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 Jack Eaton

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Choral Offertory: *Hallelujah Chorus from "Mount of Olives"* L. Beethoven

Sanctuary Choir

Hallelujah unto God's Almighty Son. Praise the Lord, ye bright angelic choirs, in holy songs of joy; Man proclaim his grace and glory, hallelujah unto God's Almighty Son. Praise the Lord in songs of joy.

Opportunities for Ministry Emily Hull McGee

*Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

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

*Benediction Emily Hull McGee

Organ Postlude: *Symphony No.5, V.Toccata* C.M. Widor

Jacob Hill, Organ

**Those who are able will please stand.*

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Acolytes for this service are Micah Knight and David Smith.

FLOWERS

The flowers have been placed in the sanctuary today by Jim Kleu in loving memory of his wife, Lorene.

CHURCHWIDE DINNER & PRESALE

Please join us for our final meal in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, May 23, at 5:15 pm. Please RSVP on the sign up sheet at the Welcome Center or by going to our website to RSVP at <https://firstonfifth.org/news/may-23-dinner-presale/>. Reservations are due by noon on Monday, May 21. Following our meal, members will have a chance to shop our "presale" of items in buildings B and C. Come be a "treasure hunter" - there's plenty from which to choose!

SUNDAY, May 20

8:00 am Deacons' Meeting (Kelly Auditorium)
 9:00 am Celebrating Buildings B&C (Chapel)
 10:30 am Choral Worship Service for Pentecost (Sanctuary)
 Joining Sunday

MONDAY, May 21

6:00 pm Personnel Committee Meeting (Gray Room)

WEDNESDAY, May 23

5:15 pm Churchwide Dinner & Sale Preview
 7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir (Music Suite)

THURSDAY, May 24

7:00 pm "Financial Diaries" Book Discussion (Offsite)

SUNDAY, May 27

9:15 am Bible Study
 10:30 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)

SERVING TODAY

Deacons of the Week Jack Eaton, Leslie Lowdermilk
 Nursery: Babies-Ones Sibyl Smelcer, Josh McGee
 Nursery: Twos-PreK Tommy Henley, John Baxley

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.

CHURCH-WIDE ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTS JUNE 3

Beginning on June 3, we'll start our church-wide Sunday School in Kelly Auditorium from 9:15-10:15 am each Sunday. We'll be reading and discussing the Adam Hamilton book "Making Sense of the Bible." This book begins by asking big questions about Scripture: What is it? Who wrote it? Why is it sometimes so confusing? What does God have to say to us through its words today?

We'll have greater details in the next few weeks, but the reading schedule for June is as follows:

June 3: Intro - Chapter 2; June 10: Chapters 3-7; June 17: Chapters 8-13; June 24: Chapters 14-18.

You can purchase your own copy or pick one up at the church in the Commons for \$5. That money can be given to John Thornton, the church office volunteer, or drop it in the offering plate and designate it for "Summer Sunday School." We hope you'll join us!

"THE FINANCIAL DIARIES" DISCUSSION

The bi-weekly discussion led by John Thornton on the book "The Financial Diaries" continues at Footnotes Coffee on 4th St. on May 24 and June 7 at 7 pm. You can order the book on Amazon or pick one up at the church for a suggested donation of \$10. Contact John Thornton (jthornton@firstonfifth.org) with questions.

TODAY IS "JOINING SUNDAY"

We understand that uniting with a family of faith is an important step, and we like to make it a little less intimidating by inviting folks who are at this place in their journey to make that step together. While folks are welcome to unite with our congregation at any time, we set aside specific Sundays to welcome new members who want to make this commitment as part of a group. For more information on our next "Joining Sunday," please contact Pastor Emily at ehullmcgee@firstonfifth.org.

WINSTON SALEM STREET SCHOOL GRADUATION IS JUNE 7

You are invited to the Winston-Salem Street School graduation at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 520 Summit Street, on June 7 at 6:30 pm. The Street School provides an opportunity for our city's at-risk youth to earn a high school diploma in a Christian environment. This experience generally results in the transformation of a disenfranchised youth into a productive citizen. The Street School receives support from FBC Mission Funds. Our support to the Street School is making a difference in the lives of these youth and building a better community through Christ's love.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

We will recognize all 2018 graduates during the June 3 worship service and listing them in the worship folder that day. If you have a family member graduating this year, please submit the following information to Amy Cook at acook@firstonfifth.org by noon on Wednesday, May 30: the graduate's name, degree, school attended, relationship to you, and, if applicable, institution the graduate will attend for further study.

ORCHESTRA

Instrumentalists for this worship service are provided through generous gifts to the Music Endowment Fund given in memory of O.G and Emily Allen and Alice Anne Scarborough.

Violin I

Monika Wilmot, Concertmaster
 Nicole Wendl
 Amelia Weesner

Violin II

Dominique Valenzuela
 Lauren Kossler
 Monia Muñoz

Viola

Jessica Ronnevik
 Catherine Box
 Matthew Troy

Cello

J. Alexandra Johnston
 Emily Grissing

Double Bass

John Spuller

Flute

Debra Reuter-Pivetta
 Lissie Shanahan

Oboe

John Hammarback
 Amanda LaBrecque

Clarinet

Barbara Pilla
 Clifford Tam

Bassoon

Juan Rodriguez

Horn

Timothy Papenbrock
 Joseph Mount

Trumpet

Judith Saxton
 Anita Cirba

Trombone

Seth Flack
 David Wulfeck

Tuba

Mark Norman

Percussion/Timpani

Beverly Naiditch
 Douglas Rowe

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We are a community in the heart of the city called by Jesus to practice bold love of God and neighbor and boundless compassion for all people

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