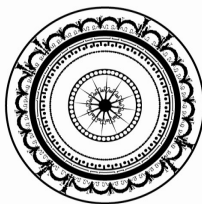


First Baptist Church on Fifth



The Worship of God
The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
July 1, 2018
10:30 am

Invitation to Worship Emily Hull McGee

Prelude: *II. Andante Espresso* G. Oldroyd

Jacob Hill, Organ

Call to Worship David Williamson

Leader: God, who created and rules the universe, calls us;

People: Christ, who took up the cross, calls us;

Leader: The Holy Spirit, who frees us body and soul, calls us.

**People: Let us faithfully answer by worshiping God:
Creator, Christ, and Spirit.**

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

Passing of the Peace David Williamson

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Prayer of Confession Amy McClure

Leader: Christ Jesus invites us to be set free
from the bondage of sin.
Let us come to God with transparent and sincere hearts,
seeking the freedom that comes through forgiveness.

**People: God of mercy,
help us to confess our sins.
You give us a place in your creation,
and you intend that we live in love
with all that you have made.
We confess that we abuse what you give us.
By our thoughts, actions,
and the meditations of our hearts
we show how enslaved we are
to life made corrupt by sin.
Far from walking in the Spirit,
we stumble on paths that lead to death.
Lord, have mercy on us.
Rekindle our desire to follow Jesus Christ,
whose passion for obeying you
leads us to our inheritance,
which is the freedom of your promised kingdom.
Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

Words of Assurance Amy McClure

Leader: The crucified Christ has set us free
to live in the Spirit of life.
Hear the good news of the gospel.
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

Congregational Response

1. Free at last, free at last; Je - sus has freed my soul at last.
 2. Free at last, free at last; Je - sus has freed my soul at last.

Chains are gone, bur - dens lift - ed; Je - sus has freed my soul at last. ____
 Mer - cy free, sins for - giv - en; Je - sus has freed my soul at last. ____

Scripture Lessons: Galatians 5:1; 2 Corinthians 3:12-18 (Pew Bible, NT, p.146,138) Mitch Phipps

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Hymn 697: *This Is My Song* FINLANDIA

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.**

Sermon: "The Meaning of the Baptist Experience: Baptist Freedoms" Emily Hull McGee

Invitation to the Table: *Let Us Come* K. Marroli

Sanctuary Choir

Let us come to the table of God, for the banquet is spread: Cup of Life, Living Bread. Let us feast on the love of our God: Cup of Hope, Bread of Heaven, peace restored, healing given. Let us feast on the love of our God. Let us go to the people of God, granting love, granting grace, in every time and place. Let us go to the people of God. Let us feast on the love of our God. Let us come to the table of God.

Celebration of Communion

*Hymn of Response: *Christ, Our Liberty* NETTLETON

(Hymn is printed on next page.)

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 Randy Peters

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: *Andante* N. von Wilm

Jacob Hill and David Williamson, Piano

Opportunities for Ministry John Thornton

*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: *II. Allegro* E. Titcomb

Jacob Hill, Organ

*Those who are able will please stand.

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Christ, Our Liberty

1. Once a peo - ple came to - geth - er bound by faith and vi - sion new;
2. Hav - ing suf - fered per - se - cu - tion, they now fought for freedom's cause,
3. From our sin our Lord has freed us; in our dark - ness light has shined.
4. In our free - dom God com - mands us that we share God's gift of grace;

with the won - der of the gos - pel came God's gift of free - dom true.
that our faith be free - ly cho - sen not de - fined by hu - man laws.
In our pain our Lord brings heal - ing words of hope for hu - man - kind.
for the sake of God's cre - a - tion, we seek vi - sion for this day.

Freed to__ fol - low Christ in ser - vice, freed to__ wor - ship and to seek;
We their child - ren are en - trust - ed with the dream they dared to dream;
Still so__ man - y live in sha - dows, hun - ger, hate, grief and des - pair.
Like our fa - thers and our mo - thers, may we al - ways faith - ful be;

con - science guid - ed by God's spir - it, God their sole au - thor - i - ty.
each one free to seek God's lead - ing, in our Lord our un - i - ty.
Some for - got - ten, some un - no - ticed, some un - touched by hands of care.
in our dy - ing find our liv - ing, bound to Christ, our Lib - er - ty.

Ministry Funding Plan May 2018	Month	YTD
Contributions & Receipts	77,383	370,040
Ministry Costs	74,744	394,136
Over/(Under) Met Needs	2,639	(24,096)
Contributions Current Year	76,120	370,383
Contributions Last Year	95,386	387,750

SUNDAY, July 1

9:15 am Church-wide Patriotic Brunch (Kelly Auditorium)
10:30 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)

TUESDAY, July 3

10:00 am Homebound Care Cards (A-L Commons)

WEDNESDAY, July 4

Church Office Closed

SUNDAY, July 8

Children's Programming Opens in New Children's Spaces
9:15 am Church-wide Patriotic Brunch (Kelly Auditorium)
10:30 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)

SERVING TODAY

Deacons of the Week Randy Peters, Mitch Phipps
Nursery: Babies-Ones Marty Cook, Donnie Tacy
Nursery: Twos-PreK Minerva Fox, Meredith Smith

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.

THE MEANING OF THE BAPTIST EXPERIENCE: A TWO-WEEK PREACHING SERIES

When asked why he was a Baptist, the famous historian of Yale University, Kenneth Scott Latourette once said, "I am a Baptist by inheritance, inertia, and conviction." So too is it with many of us, some born into our Baptistness, others choosing this denominational home at points along the way upon matters of strong conviction. But aside from the particularities of our church, the cultural assumptions of our region, or the great traditions of our past, what does it really *mean* to be Baptist? Over the course of two weeks in worship, we will engage together 'the meaning of the Baptist experience,' calling forth stories, theology, and practice from our 400+ year history of this 'free and faithful' Christian family of which we are a part.

July 1

*"The Meaning of the Baptist Experience:
Baptist Freedoms"*
Galatians 5:1 & 2 Corinthians 3:12-18

July 8

*"The Meaning of the Baptist Experience:
Baptist Faithfulness"*
Isaiah 54:2-4a and Hebrews 12:1-2

CHURCH-WIDE ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our church-wide Sunday School will resume July 8 after our break for our Patriotic Brunch on Sunday, July 1. We will continue our study of the Adam Hamilton book "Making Sense of the Bible." Please join us as we understand the Bible more fully together!

July 8 - Chapter 19: "Science, the Bible, and the Creation Stories" and Chapter 20: "Were Adam and Eve Real People?"

July 15 - Chapter 23: "Suffering, Divine Providence, and the Bible"

RESTORE ✕ REDUCE RENOVATE ✕ REIMAGINE Parking Changes at First Baptist in Effect July 2

In preparation for the construction work to begin on July 2 at our building, we have learned from Frank L. Blum (our construction contractors) that **the entirety of our back parking lot will be closed off for the duration of asbestos abatement and demolition of Buildings B & C.** This is to create the space necessary to house all the construction equipment needed for this work and to ensure the safety of all folks entering and exiting the building.

We learned this week from our contractors that the **total length of time for abatement and demolition will last around 10 weeks.** Parking in the back lot throughout Phase One will be limited, but only during abatement and demolition will it be entirely off-limits. This will also impact our entry points into Building A, and we will give you that information as soon as we know it.

Thus, **starting this Monday, July 2, and continuing until further notice,** when you come to the church house for worship on Sundays or should you visit during the week, parking for the congregation is available in the following locations on or around our block:

- The parking lot of the John 3:16 building at the corner of 6th and Poplar (anytime)
- The Winston-Salem Journal parking lot and adjacent gravel lot at the corner of 5th and Spruce (Sundays)
- Street parking at meters on 5th Street and Spruce Streets (anytime)
- Street parking on Poplar Street (Sundays)

Within a block or two of the church are several parking garages and other surface lot options should you need them.

Thank you for your patience and flexibility in this impending season of transition!

This week around the church house...

- We held our churchwide auction on Saturday, June 23. We had a great turnout and many, many items have

found a new home. Church pews will have a home in a new church, and kitchen equipment will help a young woman start her new bakery. Our church's legacy of helping others in innovative ways now reaches from North Carolina to the outskirts of Detroit, and many places in between. Our thanks to all who helped facilitate this enormous undertaking!

- Our youngest children enjoyed their new space in room 104 on Sunday, and our older children led us in prayer before moving their beloved prayer chain up to their new home on the 3rd floor.
- New tables that are sized to fit in Kelly Auditorium arrived, just in time to be set up for our Patriotic Brunch on Sunday. These will allow for many meaningful conversations to be had as we break bread together!

FIRST ON FIFTH SUMMER DATES Children

July 8 - Children's programming begins in new children's spaces (Rm. 104 -birth through 2's; former youth loft - 3's through 5th grade)

CARE NOTES MINISTRY July 3, 10-11:30 am

The Homebound Team is sponsoring another "Care Time" session on Tuesday, July 3, from 10:00-11:30am in the Ammons-Lolley Commons (please note location change). We will spend time writing notes of encouragement to our homebound members and to those on the prayer list. Coffee and goodies will be provided. All ages are welcome. Feel free to bring your own cards, notes, and artistic creations. Our homebound team will also provide various cards for use. Prayer lists and updated homebound lists will be provided. Minerva Fox and Florence Wiley look forward to being with you for an exciting and enjoyable morning.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS NEEDED

The flower calendar has many openings this year. If you would like to provide flowers in memory or in honor of someone, please call Ralph Messick at 336-723-2564 to reserve a date.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Our vision

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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