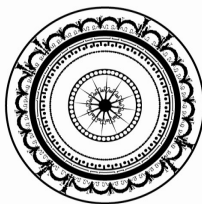


First Baptist Church on Fifth



The Worship of God
The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 26, 2018
10:30 am

Gathering

Invitation to Worship Emily Hull McGee

Prelude

Jacob Hill, Organ

Call to Worship: Psalm 84:1-5, 11-12 Cindi Goins

Leader: How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!

**People: My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.**

Leader: Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O LORD of hosts,
my King and my God.

**People: Happy are those who live in your house,
ever singing your praise.
Happy are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**

Leader: For the LORD God is a sun and shield;
he bestows favor and honor.
No good thing does the LORD withhold
from those who walk uprightly.

People: O LORD of hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in you.

Centering

*Hymn 315: *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above* MIT FREUDEN ZART

Passing of the Peace John Thornton

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Prayer for Illumination: *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart* FINEST WHEAT

You sat - is - fy the hun - gry heart with gift of fin - est wheat;
come give to us, O sav - ing Lord, the bread of life to eat.

"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" words by Omer Westendorf and music by Robert Kreutz,
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Gospel Lesson: John 6:51-69 (Pew Bible, NT, p.75)..... Brent Greene

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Confession David Williamson

Leader: Let us come to Christ, the Holy One of God,
for he is our only hope, and there is no other.

**People: Holy One,
How easily we are offended at your words.
How often we complain when your teaching is difficult.
How quickly we turn away when the road is challenging.
Forgive our weakness, and heal our wandering.
Feed us with the living bread,
and teach us the words of eternal life.
For you are our only hope,
and there is no other. Amen.**

Words of Assurance David Williamson

Leader: Jesus Christ is the living bread that came down from heaven.
Whoever eats of this bread will live forever.
Hear this good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God!

*Hymn 286: *O God in Who All Life Begins* NOEL

Proclaiming

New Testament Lesson: Ephesians 6:10-20 (Pew Bible, NT, p.151)..... Kim Towles

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Call to Prayer: *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* R. Ringwald

Sanctuary Choir

Precious Lord, take my hand, bring me home through the night, Through the dark,
through the storm, to Thy light. I have been to the mount, I have seen the Promised
Land; precious Lord, precious Lord, take my hand. Precious Lord, take my hand, bring
Thy child home at last, where the strife and the pain all are past; I have dreamed a great
dream that Thy love shall rule our land, Precious Lord, precious Lord, take my hand.
Precious Lord, take my hand, take Thy child unto Thee, with my dream of a world that is
free for that day when all flesh joins the glory Thou hast planned, precious Lord, pre-
cious Lord, take my hand.

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: "Bread Lived" Emily Hull McGee

Responding

*Hymn of Response 295: *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* 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 Wally Cox

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Choral Offertory: *And the Father Will Dance* M. Hayes

Sanctuary Choir

And the Father will dance over you in joy! He will take delight in whom He loves. Is that a choir I hear singing the praises of God? No, the Lord God himself is exulting o'er you in song! And He will joy over you in song! My soul will make its boast in God for He has answered all my cries. His faithfulness to me is as sure as the dawn of a new day. Awake, my soul, and sing! Let my spirit rejoice in God! Sing, O daughter of Zion, with all of your heart! Cast away fear for you have been restored! Put on the garment of praise as on a festival day. Join with the Father in glorious, jubilant song.

Opportunities for Ministry John Thornton

Sending

Blessing of the Backpacks Amy McClure

Leader: Lord, you have brought us to the start of a new school year. As these children and youth begin their studies, we ask a blessing on their backpacks in which they carry the books and notebooks, markers, pens, pencils, and crayons they will use to learn. These backpacks will hold the school work of each student and will be carried from home to school and back again. As these students carry these backpacks, may they be reminded of the love and care of this congregation that surrounds them each school day.

People: **Open the eyes, ears and minds of these students to grow in knowledge and wisdom this school year. Help them to be attentive and active learners. Continue to show us ways to love them, support them, and encourage them.**

Youth: Bless all teachers, professors, school administrators, and support staff as they are faithful stewards of the resources and students in their care. Make them fair and merciful, able to do their crucial work with a spirit of grace and compassion. Grant them energy, passion, discipline, and endurance for their daily tasks. Fill their classrooms with an attitude of care and mutual respect, that all interactions there will be covered in patience and understanding.

Child: May they be reminded that this congregation embraces their call to teaching and learning and surrounds them with love and care. Remind them each day how much they are needed, wanted, and loved.

People: **Lord Jesus, Prince of Peace, you showed us through word and deed the right way to serve one another. May these students, teachers, professors, administrators, and support staff be instruments of your peace so that they may bring the love of Christ to their schools.**

Leader: Now we ask that you bless these backpacks and the students who carry them. Keep them safe; keep them motivated; keep them ever seeking to learn more, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

*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

Jacob Hill, Organ

**Those who are able will please stand.*

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary today celebrate the wedding of Jack Shearin and Vivian Rooker on Saturday, August 25. Thanks be to God!

SUNDAY, August 26 Promotion Sunday

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

SUNDAY, September 2

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SERVING TODAY

Deacons of the WeekWally Cox, Scott Hudgins
Nursery: Babies-Ones Kim Towles , Ying Xiong
Nursery: Twos-PreKJack Eaton, Tina Magee

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.

DEVOTIONAL CLASSICS IN THE COMMONS

Tuesdays, 6:45-7:45am, Commons
September 4 - November 20

Our Tuesday morning co-ed small group with Pastor David resumes this fall. We will begin the semester on September 4 with a six-week study of A Gospel of Hope by Walter Bruggemann. On October 16 we will transition to a study of How to Pray, a collection of essays and reflections by C.S. Lewis. For more information or to order a book, please contact David at 722-2558 ext 118 or dwilliamson@firstonfifth.org.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS, JOINING SUNDAY DATES

All new or prospective members to First Baptist are invited to join in a condensed version of "First Impressions" on Wednesday, September 12, to learn more about life at First Baptist. Led by our pastoral staff and sponsored by our Outreach Ministry Team, First Impressions familiarizes newcomers with an in-depth look at First Baptist, including ways in which people can connect with one another, get involved in ministry, and join the church. This First Impressions gathering will be held at 5:30-7:30 pm in the Ammons-Lolley Commons. Dinner will be provided. Please RSVP by September 10 to Pastor Emily at ehullmcgee@firstonfifth.org. Our next "Joining Sunday" is planned for Sunday, September 16! 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. For information on "First Impressions" or "Joining Sunday", please contact Pastor Emily at ehullmcgee@firstonfifth.org.

COMMON TABLE BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR EMILY

Wednesdays, 12:00-1:00 pm, Commons
September 5 - November 14

Starting this fall, all are invited to take their lunch hour, bring a lunch and a healthy measure of curiosity, and share together in fellowship and Bible study around a 'common table' with Pastor Emily and one another. Gatherings will occur in the Ammons-Lolley Commons on Wednesdays at noon, and our time together will conclude each week no later than 1:00pm to give folks time to get back to work or anything else that fills the day. After our meal together, we'll share in conversation about a particular scripture, walking through a passage verse by verse with attention given to its historical context, textual translation, theological significance, and meaning for our lives.

This fall, our Common Table Bible Study will focus on the New Testament letters of Galatians and Ephesians, listening closely for God's guidance in our time and place through these two letters written to churches amidst change and challenge. Themes of faith and freedom, interpretation of the law in light of the gospel, moving beyond barriers and difference to unity in Christ, and living a Christian life will serve as a counter-narrative to the divisive, highly-charged, and rancorous rhetoric in our world today. And yet, around a literal and metaphorical 'common table,' participants will share in the promises of God revealed through scripture as manna for their week. Come and take your seat!

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT FIRST ON FIFTH THIS SEMESTER

Last Sunday, we premiered our new Wednesday schedule for Fall 2018. Due to shifting needs among those who are actively involved in life here at First on Fifth, we have crafted a new Wednesday schedule that we trust meets those needs while holding in place opportunities for growth and fellowship that are treasured by many in our midst. The first Wednesday of the month will be called "First Fellowship," punctuated with a hot meal that anticipates a large crowd from many walks of life in which to enjoy it. Each subsequent week will also see a meal offered, but these will be more casual and light: meals able for you and your family to take them with you as you go, but also conducive to sitting and sharing in a meal together. Schedules for children and youth will retain their music and arts spiritual formation, while shifting earlier to more readily capture their attention. Space for committees and teams to meet at night will open up, as Bible Study and small groups for adults move to other days and times during the week. All in all, the gathered community at First on Fifth will remain in close fellowship with each other throughout the week, supporting people of all ages as they nurture their lives of faith. Come and be a part!

First Baptist Weekly Wednesday Night Schedule

- 3:00-4:30 - Youth Commons Time
- 4:00-4:30 - Snacks in the Commons for children and youth
- 4:30-5:00 - Handbells for 2nd-5th graders, youth
- 5:00-6:00 - Music and Missions for PreK (Ages 3-5) & School-Age (K-5th grade)
- 6:00-7:00 - Intergenerational Fellowship Meal (Kelly Auditorium)
- 7:00-8:15 - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Ministry Funding Plan-July 2018	Month	YTD
Contributions & Receipts	93,645	529,102
Ministry Costs	80,022	555,455
Over/(Under) Met Needs	13,623	(26,353)
Contributions Current Year	91,239	527,429
Contributions Last Year	73,606	527,107

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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