



FIRST BAPTIST  
ON FIFTH

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, September 15, 2019 • 10:30 AM

As you enter for worship, all are encouraged to greet one another and enjoy fellowship with those around you. As the prelude begins, we'll shift into a brief time of quiet reflection, where God uses the stillness of the moment to quiet our souls for what will continue to emerge during our community's worship of the living, loving God.

PRELUDE: *Elegy* ..... G.T. Thalben-Ball

Jacob Hill, Organ

INVITATION TO WORSHIP ..... Emily Hull McGee

LITANY OF GRATITUDE ..... Emily Hull McGee

Leader: Friends, let us acknowledge with gratitude the provision of God on this day and in our very lives.  
Even though God is not limited to time and space, the human spirit hungers for those thin places where the presence of God is more clearly revealed.

People: **Over these past months, God has provided a place of worship in Kelly Auditorium, a space made sacred by the presence of God's Spirit and the gathering of God's people. And we give thanks.**

Leader: And now we return to a space that has encouraged the worship of God for 94 years, a space also made sacred by the presence of God's Spirit and the gathering of God's people.

People **May this place once again be a holy meeting ground between God and this Beloved Community. And may this sanctuary ever resound to the praises of God's glorious name.**

\*HYMN 607: *I Will Sing the Wondrous Story* ..... HYFRYDOL

PASSING OF THE PEACE ..... Amy McClure

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

PSALM LESSON: Psalm 14 ..... Nikki Byers

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 15:1-10 ..... Mitch Phipps**

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION ..... Max Mir**

Leader: Sisters and brothers,  
there is joy in the presence of the angels of God  
every time we turn toward our home  
and remember whose we are.  
With open hearts, let us offer our confession.

People: **Creator of the universe, we imagine  
that we are in familiar territory,  
that we know what to expect of this hour,  
that we will leave much the way that we came.  
Please do not abandon us to our foolishness.  
In judgment, illumine our darkness.  
In mercy, bear us home --  
until we recognize your presence wherever  
evil is confronted,  
truth is spoken,  
and life is restored.  
We pray through the name of the Good Shepherd,  
the One who came to seek and save all who are lost. Amen.**

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE: 1 Timothy 1:12-17 ..... Holly Solomon**

Leader: Sisters and brothers, hear the good news:  
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

**ANTHEM: *God Is My Shepherd* ..... K. Pryor and D. Nolan**

Sanctuary Choir

God is my shepherd. I am His lamb. God is my keeper. I'm in His hand. My every  
tear He understands. God is my shepherd. I am His lamb. All we like sheep have  
gone astray, each of us turns to our own way. God is a shepherd who guards His  
own, giving His life to bring us home. God is my shepherd. I am His lamb. God is  
my keeper. I'm in His hand. My every tear He understands. God is my shepherd. I  
am His lamb.

**PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE ..... Brent Greene**

**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.

**\*HYMN 66: *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* ..... RESIGNATION**

**SERMON: "*Lessons for Living a Life: Search and Be Found*" ..... Emily Hull McGee**

**SILENT MEDITATION**

**\*HYMN OF RESPONSE 587: *Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound* ..... NEW BRITAIN**

*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 ..... John Baxley**

**GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**CHORAL OFFERTORY: *Sing and Be Not Silent* ..... M. McDonald**

Sanctuary Choir

Sing to the Lord and be not silent, sing to the Lord and glorify! Sing to the Lord all ye His children. Sing to the Lord O Most High! Give thanks to Him and be not silent, give thanks to Him and magnify! Sing to the Lord all ye His children. Sing to the Lord O Most High! Thou hast turned my mourning into dancing; Thou hast girded me with gladness. For His anger is but a moment, His favor endures for a life. He comes with joy to greet the morning. He gives us hope for each new day. Give thanks remembering His Holiness. Give thanks to Him with songs of praise. Sing to the Lord and be not silent. Sing to the Lord and glorify! Sing to the Lord all ye His children. Sing to the Lord, O Most High!

**\*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: *Fanfare* ..... J. Cook**

Jacob Hill, Organ

*\*Those who are able will please stand.*

**FLOWERS**

The flowers have been placed in the Sanctuary today to celebrate the life and legacy of Mitzi Moore and are given with love and thanksgiving by Tom, Susan, Janice and Tom, Jr.

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Acolytes for this service are Kara Parker and David Smith.  
Crucifer for this service is Hailey Greene.

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# THIS WEEK AT FIRST

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

- 8:00 am Deacons' Meeting (*Kelly Auditorium*)  
9:15 am Sunday Bible Study  
10:30 am Worship Service (*Sanctuary*)  
Joining Sunday  
11:45 am Children's Ministry Lunch & Workday  
(*Children's Loft*)  
2:00 pm Mochas with Mac (*offsite*)

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

- 6:45 am Devotional Classics in the Commons  
(*Ammons-Lolley Commons*)  
5:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting  
(*Conference Room*)  
6:00 pm Personnel Committee Meeting  
(*Ammons-Lolley Commons*)  
7:00 pm Common Table Evening Session (*offsite*)

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

- 12:00 pm Common Table with Pastor Emily  
(*Ammons-Lolley Commons*)  
4:00 pm Youth Study Hall (*Ammons-Lolley Commons*)  
5:00 pm Wednesday Night Meal (*Kelly Auditorium*)  
5:30 pm Youth Handbells (*Sanctuary*)  
6:00 pm Adult Handbell Choir (*Sanctuary*)  
6:00 pm WSCFA 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration  
(*John 3:16 Building*)  
6:30 pm Missions Committee Meeting  
(*Conference Room*)  
7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (*Choir Room*)

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

- 11:30 am Senior Adult Luncheon (*Offsite*)

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

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

## SERVING TODAY

Deacons of the Week: John Baxley, Ray Hawley  
Nursery Babies-Ones: Nancy Baxley  
Nursery Twos-Pre-K: Meredith Parker

## CURRENT DONATION NEEDS

Please place donations in designated donation bins in the 1<sup>st</sup> floor hallway outside of Kelly Auditorium.

Samaritan Ministries: Mustard/Ketchup

Crisis Control: Rice (1 lb. bags)

## WORSHIP SERVICE BROADCAST

Our Sunday Morning Worship Service is streamed live from our website at [firstonfifth.org](http://firstonfifth.org).

Online giving is available at [give.firstonfifth.org](http://give.firstonfifth.org).

## 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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