



God, you have always mapped out  
tomorrow's road:  
and, although it is hidden,  
today I believe.

+ Jeffrey W. Rowthorn

*I left my land, my land did not leave me*  
Qais Al-Sindy

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## First Baptist Church on Fifth, Winston-Salem

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, July 2, 2023 • 11:00 AM

PRELUDE: *There is a Happy Land*

Jacob Hill, Organ

arr. G. Shearing

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Emily Hull McGee

INVOCATION

Zack Jackson

*(Please read in unison.)*

**Blessed are you,  
God of growth and discovery;  
yours is the inspiration  
that has altered and changed our lives;  
yours is the power that has brought us  
to new dangers and opportunities.  
Set us, your new creation,  
to walk through this new world,  
watching and learning,  
loving and trusting,  
until your kingdom comes. Amen.**

*(from A New Zealand Prayer Book)*

\*HYMN 33: *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

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\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

David Williamson

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

SOLO: *Ride Up in the Chariot*

B. Jackson King

Teresa Moore-Mitchell

Gonna ride up in the chariot, soon-a in the mornin'; and I hope I join the band. Oh Lord, have mercyonme, and I hope I join the band. Gonna walk and talk with Jesus soon-a in the mornin'; and I hope I join the band. Gonna chatter with the angels soon-a in the mornin'; and I hope I join the band.

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Genesis 12:1-9

Rob Norwood

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Amy McClure

(Please pray in unison.)

**God of calling, you called Abraham  
and gave him the strength he needed to follow you.  
You also called a people  
so that they could live life in your abundance.  
You also call us,  
but sometimes we prefer to close our eyes and cover our ears,  
turning our backs to your will.  
Forgive us, O God, and grant us the confidence and the hope  
that we need to follow when you call. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Amy McClure

Leader: God promised to bless Abraham and that through him the whole world would receive blessing.

God's generous promise continues even to our generation:

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,  
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish  
but may have eternal life.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

SOLO: *He's Got the Whole World in His Hand*

arr. M. Bonds

Teresa Moore-Mitchell

He's got the whole world in His hand. He's got the woods and the waters in His hand, He's got the sun and the moon right in His hand, He's got the whole world in His hand. He's got the birds and the bees right in His hand, He's got the beasts of the field right in His hand, He's got the whole world in His hand. He's got you and me right in His hand, He's got everybody in His hand, He's got the whole world in His hand.

## PRAYERS OF 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: "Then and Now: Promise"

Emily Hull McGee

### THE CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

#### \*HYMN OF RESPONSE 697: *This Is My Song*

FINLANDIA

*God calls all to respond! Our church welcomes you to share a new desire to follow Jesus or to join our congregation as a member. As we sing, please come to the front and share your commitment with one of our ministers.*

#### \*PRAYER FOR THE GIFTS WE GIVE

John Baxley

*The giving of our material possessions, as well as our very lives, is an important part of active, vibrant worship. At the conclusion of the worship service you will find offering plates at the exit doors for those who would like to make a financial contribution to support the ministries of First Baptist Church. If you would like to give online, you will find additional information in this worship guide and at our website, [firstonfifth.org](http://firstonfifth.org).*

### THE LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Amy McClure

#### \*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: *Postlude in D*

H. Willan

Jacob Hill, Organ

\*Those who are able will please stand.

### BENEVOLENCE OFFERING

At the conclusion of the worship service today you will be given an opportunity to contribute to the Benevolence Fund. This fund provides confidential financial assistance for individuals in times of crisis and is made possible by designated contributions. If you would like to contribute, please make your check payable to First Baptist Church, designated to the Benevolence Fund.



### **GUEST MUSICIAN FOR TODAY**

Teresa Moore-Mitchell began her operatic studies as an undergraduate of Pfeiffer, where she graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Music. She received her Master of Music degree with a concentration in Vocal Performance from the University of NC at Greensboro. Teresa has taught at Pfeiffer University, Winston Salem State University, and Davidson County Community College. She is currently the Assistant Professor of Voice at Livingstone College and an adjunct vocal instructor at Catawba College in Salisbury, NC. Starting her solo concert career while still in high school, she has performed solo concerts and performances for over 30 years throughout the United States, Cuba, Greece, the Greek Islands, Germany, France, Austria and Italy.

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

We are grateful for these Deacons serving communion today: John Baxley, Wally Cox, Holly Kessler, Jill Knight, and Kim Wilkinson.

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### **SERVING TODAY**

<u>Acolytes:</u>	Karley and Kate Parker
<u>Deacon of the Week:</u>	John Baxley and Kelly King
<u>Children &amp; Families Greeter:</u>	Kim Wilkinson
<u>Streaming and Sound Team:</u>	Billy Choe, Martha Greene, Greg Ryder, Judy Eustice, Jeff Burchette, Amber Meyers

### **IF YOU ARE NEW, WELCOME!**

If you are visiting with us today for the first time, we welcome you! Please fill out a Connection Card located in the back of the pews, and give it to a minister or drop into the offering plate after worship. This allows us to extend our hospitality and connect you deeply with our church. If you're visiting with young children, we welcome them in whatever way is best for your family! Creative resources for our little ones guide their experience of worship in the Sanctuary, and worship care for infants through pre-K is available in the nursery on the first floor. Masking is optional in the Sanctuary. The balcony continues to be reserved for those preferring an even greater distance. Extra masks and hand sanitizer are available at all three entrances to the sanctuary. We're glad you're here!

### **HOW WE SUSTAIN MINISTRY THROUGH FBC**

Thank you for giving faithfully to God through the ministries of our church! Should you desire to give today to God's work of Love through First on Fifth, you can do so by placing your gift in the offering plates upon your exit from the room, or by scanning the QR code to give online. Because you will need to enter your personal financial information when registering online, we encourage you to set up your account on a secure network at home before using the app for the first time.



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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Churchwide Summer Sunday School Continues

June 11 - August 27, 2023

We're so delighted to offer two churchwide Sunday School options this year, and encourage all – newcomers and long-termers alike! – to find your place. Read more about these and other weekday class options in the newsletter!

### Summer Conversations

Kelly Auditorium, 9:30-10:30am

Curriculum: Worship scriptures from Genesis

Leaders: Ka'thy Gore Chappell, Chris Gambill, David Hughes; hosted by the Conversations Class

Contact: Joy Gambill, [gambilljm@wfu.edu](mailto:gambilljm@wfu.edu)

### Topics in Faith

Baraca Room, 9:30-10:30am

Curriculum: Topics that overlap with and inform our life of faith, centered around spiritual care

Leaders: Variety of teachers from within and outside our church

Contact: Emily Hull McGee, [emily@firstonfifth.org](mailto:emily@firstonfifth.org)

## First Films: In the Heights | July 14, 6:30PM

Come join us for the second film in our Summer of Songs series as we celebrate film musicals. **In the Heights** is Lin-Manuel Miranda's Tony Award winning musical (adapted for film by Jon Chu) which follows the unfolding of dreams, American and Caribbean, among the residents of the Washington Heights neighborhood as they struggle through a heatwave with the help of family, community, patience and faith.

## Summer Sanctuary Choir

The Summer Sanctuary Choir is rehearsing the first Wednesday of each month through the summer. This summer schedule offers a great opportunity to sample the music ministry without a huge time commitment and we would welcome you to join us! This Wednesday we will be preparing music for the remaining Sundays of July. Rehearsal time is 6:30pm. For more information please contact David Williamson, [david@firstonfifth.org](mailto:david@firstonfifth.org).

## Passport Kids & Youth Camp This Week

We celebrate our children, youth and their chaperones who will travel to Passport Kids and Passport Youth this week! Please pray for all as they prepare for a meaningful, transformative week ahead.

Kids: Lorelei Clark, Jordynn Elizalde, Annabelle McGee, Liam McGee, Kate Parker, Karly Parker, Naomi Smith, Lydia Smith, Flynn Vestal

Kids Chaperones: Wally Cox, Jill Knight, Amy McClure

Youth: John Elrod, Hailey Greene, Ash Henley, Kara Parker, Jacob Patrick, Lilah Vestal

Youth Chaperones: Joanne Henley, Zack Jackson, Emily Hull McGee

## Dash Baseball | August 4

Join your church family at the WS Dash baseball game on Friday, August 4. Tickets are \$10 each and include food, a seat in the shade behind the 3rd base dugout, and fireworks! To reserve your ticket please contact Pastor Amy.

## Then and Now: Summer Preaching at First on Fifth | June 11 - August 27, 2023

This summer in worship, we'll return to the very beginning of our shared story in Genesis. For in our world's current season where the fabric of our life together has frayed, we look to the mothers and fathers of our faith to illumine human complexities, all within the light of a good God who is our beginning and end!

July 2 | Genesis 12:1-9  
*Then and Now: Promise*  
(The Story of Abram)

July 9 | Genesis 16:1-16  
*Then and Now: Oppression*  
(The Story of Hagar)

July 16 | Matthew 4:17  
Children & Youth-Led  
Passport Worship

July 23 | Genesis 18:1-15, 21:1-7  
*Then and Now: Laughter*  
(The Story of Sarah)  
Amy McClure, proclaimer

July 30 | Genesis 22:1-14  
*Then and Now: Testing and Providing*  
(The Story of Isaac)  
Zack Jackson, proclaimer

August 6 | Genesis 25:19-34  
*Then and Now: Conflict*

(The Story of Rebekah, Jacob, & Esau)  
August 13 | Genesis 32:22-31  
*Then and Now: Struggle*  
(The Story of Jacob)

August 20 | Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28  
*Then and Now: Power*  
(The Story of Jacob's sons)

August 27 | Genesis 45:1-15  
*Then and Now: Purpose*  
(The Story of Joseph)

## THIS WEEK AT FIRST

SUNDAY, July 2

9:30 am Independence Day Brunch (*Kelly*)

11:00 am Worship (*Sanctuary & online*)

MONDAY, July 3

Passport Camp for Children and Youth

TUESDAY, July 4

Office closed for Independence Day Holiday

Passport Camp for Children and Youth

8:00 pm Evening Prayer (*online*)

WEDNESDAY, July 5

Passport Camp for Children and Youth

6:30 pm Summer Sanctuary Choir (*Choir Room*)

THURSDAY, July 6

Passport Camp for Children and Youth

10:00 am Older Adult Book Study/Fellowship (*online*)

12:00 pm Communications/Outreach Team (*online*)

FRIDAY, July 7

Passport Camp for Youth

SATURDAY, July 8

1:00 pm Memorial Service for Ernestine Cleaver  
(*Sanctuary*)

SUNDAY, July 9

9:00 am Sunday Bible Study (*online*)

9:30 am Sunday Bible Study Adults, Youth,  
and Children (*in person*)

10:30 am Coffee and Conversation (*Commons*)

11:00 am Worship (*Sanctuary & online*)

12:00 pm Deacon's Meeting (*Kelly Auditorium*)

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday, 8:30am - 5:00pm

Friday, 8:30am - 1:00pm

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## CRISIS CONTROL GIFT OF THE MONTH

The gift for July is toilet tissue. Please drop off donations in the bins marked at the bottom of the staircase by the elevator.



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