

“We always treat guests as angels – just in case.”

+ Brother Jeremiah

“The pinnacle of lovelessness is not our unwillingness to be a neighbor to someone, but our unwillingness to allow them to be a neighbor to us.”

+ Allan Boesak

“It is in the shelter of each other that the people live.”

+ Irish proverb



A Place for the Prophet, Jan Richardson

First Baptist Church on Fifth, Winston-Salem

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, June 28, 2026 • 11:00 AM

PRELUDE: *Sicilienne*

G. Fauré

Peter Shanahan, Flute
Jacob Hill, Piano

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Emily Hull McGee

CALL TO WORSHIP

Amy McClure

Leader: God, our Creator, from nothing you made our world.

All: You formed us, love us, and give us all that we need for life.

Leader: God, our Redeemer, you rescued us from sin.

All: You have given us new life and hope of healing to the world.

Leader: God, our Comforter, you are always with us.

All: You comfort us, renew us, and guide us into your truth.

Leader: With great joy we will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord,

All: and proclaim your goodness to all generations.

*HYMN 310: *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

HYMN TO JOY

ANTHEM: All Earth Rejoice with a Gladsome Voice

A. Vivaldi/arr. H Hopson

Sanctuary Choir

All the earth rejoice with a gladsome voice; now sing we alleluia, Praise the Lord. Rejoice and sing. Sing alleluia, sing, O praise the Lord. Sound the trumpet; sound the harp. Praise the Lord. All the earth rejoice with a gladsome voice; now sing we alleluia, Praise the Lord. Rejoice and sing.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Olivia Blake

Leader: How costly it is when our relationship with God is broken!
The price of our disobedience is a spiritless life,
a life devoid of the promised joy of abundant life in Christ.
Where are joy, peace, and everlasting love to be found
except in the One who creates peace and joy,
who sent Jesus Christ, the Beloved, to restore us?
In silence let us yield our wills to the holy will of God.

(A silence is kept.)

Let us pray:

**All: O Lord, you have called us to love you, our neighbor, and all creation.
Yet we have not lived in right relationship with one another
or walked in the light of your love.
We confess that we have struggled to love our enemies;
we have neglected to pray for those who hate us.
We have taken for granted the abundance of your generosity
and dismissed the extravagance of the natural beauty that surrounds us.
We have allowed the difficulties of this world
to steal the joyful, abundant life you promise.
Forgive our sin, deepen our discipleship,
and teach us the joyful path of new life in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE: Romans 6:17-23

David Williamson

Leader: Friends, your sins are forgiven by the mercy of Christ.
Be at peace, for you have been freed from sin
that you may serve with righteousness.

All: Thanks be to God.

Leader: Let us share the sign of a forgiven people:
May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

(Please share these words of peace with those around you.)

***HYMN 657: Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life**

GERMANY

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Holly Kessler

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.

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Matthew 10:40-42

Emily Hull McGee

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON: "How to Be Human: Welcome"

Emily Hull McGee

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 658: *Let Your Heart Be Broken*

WYE VALLEY

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

Cyrus Bush

The giving of our material possessions, as well as our very lives, is an important part of active, vibrant worship of which all are invited to participate. If you would like to give online, you will find additional information in this worship guide and on our website, firstonfifth.org.

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY: *Celtic Laud*

C. Courtney

Sanctuary Choir

For fruit of the vine, for harvest of wheat, for bread and for wine, the gift of Your feast, the cup of thanksgiving I gratefully raise, O Lord of my living, my love and my praise. For dove in the sky, for wind in the trees, for coal in the fire, Your Spirit in me, the cup of thanksgiving I grateful raise, O Lord of my living, my love and my praise. For springtime's green earth, for morning's first light, for every new birth, for grace and for life, the cup of thanksgiving I grateful raise, O Lord of my living, my love and my praise.

THE LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Kyle Caudle

*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: *Flute Sonata in F Major, "Giga"*

G.F. Handel

Peter Shanahan, Flute
Jacob Hill, Organ

*Those who are able will please stand.

SERVING TODAY

Deacon of the Week: Cyrus Bush and Meredith Parker
Greeters: Linda Merchant and Steve Smith
Safety Team: Olivia Blake, Rick Matthews, Beth Sabbagh
Streaming and Sound Team: Billy Choe, Martha Greene, Greg Ryder, Jeff Burchette, Judy Eustice, Julie Hall, Amber Myers, Meredith Parker

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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 after worship. This allows us to extend our hospitality and connect you deeply within the life of 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 kindergarteners is available in the nursery on the first floor. We're so glad you're here!

SUPPORTING GOD'S WORK OF LOVE THROUGH FIRST BAPTIST ON FIFTH

Thank you for giving faithfully to God through the ministries of our church! Should you desire to give today, you can do so by placing your gift in the offering plates 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.



LISTENING ASSIST AVAILABLE

To access the listening assist system please, scan the QR code to download the Listen WIFI app to your smartphone. Make sure you are connected to the firstonfifth-guest WIFI network. Password: boldandboundless. Select the main channel on the app, ensure the sound is unmuted in the bottom left corner, and listen through your headphones or hearing aids.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

How To Be Human

Summer Worship at First Baptist on Fifth

One has only to scan the headlines to feel despair at all things human. The rise of AI, threats to our climate and our collective well-being, and widespread conflicts around the globe causes us to wonder: how can we stay human amidst all that hopes to divide, distract, or diminish humanity? This summer in worship, we'll listen to Jesus's guidance on human living through the Gospel of Matthew, trusting the God who enlivened us at creation to enliven us once again.

July 5

How To Be Human: Rest
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30
Communion Sunday

July 12

How To Be Human: Sow
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23
Rayce Lamb, proclaimer

July 19

How To Be Human: Complexify
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

July 26

Children and Youth-Led Worship

August 2

How To Be Human: Discover
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52
Mary Kaylor, proclaimer
Communion Sunday

August 9

How To Be Human: Take Heart
Matthew 14:22-33
Blessing of the Backpacks

Pray for our Passport Kids + Youth!

We invite everyone at First on Fifth and beyond to begin praying for our 3rd-5th graders and youth, along with their chaperones, as they prepare to attend Passport Kids camp at Montreat Conference Center, NC from July 6 - July 9, and Passport Choices at Converse University, SC from July 5-10. We have 7 children and 3 chaperones who will be traveling to kids camp and 11 youth and 3 chaperones traveling to youth camp.

June 28 | Children's Pool Party

All kids and parents (youth siblings too) are invited for a summer pool party at Roper's house. Please bring your own chair to sit by the pool, towel, sunscreen, drinks and any snacks or games you'd like to share with the group. Pizza will also be provided. RSVP in your newsletter!

June 30 | Youth Serve at Second Harvest

Youth (12 years and up) and Adult volunteers are invited to help prep and pack community meals that will be delivered to children, seniors, and neighbors living with disabilities. This event will take place on Tuesday, June 30, at Second Harvest Food Bank (3330 Shorefair Dr.) from 9am-1pm. To sign up, please contact kyle@firstonfifth.org

July 2 | Active Retirees Lunch & Learn!

Join us for a lunch and learn in Kelly Auditorium as we hear from our own Beth Sabbagh, who works as an educator in our school district. She wears many hats, with one of those being a driver's education instructor. Beth will go over all the updated driving regulations for NC and how that impacts each of you. We will have breakfast for lunch! A suggested donation of \$5/person is appreciated, but not required. RSVP in your newsletter!

July 10 | First Films!

This summer we will test the conventions of the film musical with three independent features that use music to drive the narrative. Join us in Kelly for the second of three unique unresolved love stories, *Once* (2006). Popcorn and refreshments provided.

July 16 | YA Baking & Board Games Potluck

Young Adults are invited to a summer potluck on Thursday, July 16 at 6:30 PM at the Towles' home! Bring a favorite dish to share and enjoy an evening of fellowship, board games, and learning how to bake one of Kim Towles' famous cookie recipes. We hope you'll join us for a fun and relaxing night together! RSVP in the newsletter.

Summer Churchwide Sunday School Series

This year's summer Sunday School for all youth and adults will focus on "How to Read the Bible" and run through ALL Sundays in July. Megan Stollo, Kyle Caudle, Emily Hull McGee, and Mary Foskett will each lead one of the four Sundays of this study, running from July 5-26, 9:30-10:30 a.m., in Kelly Auditorium. There will also be a Zoom option for those who would like to participate online.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST

SUNDAY, June 28

9:30 am Independence Day Brunch (*Kelly*)
10:30 am Coffee and Conversation (*Commons*)
11:00 am Worship (*Sanctuary & online*)
12:15 pm Missions Committee (*Baraca*)
4:00 pm Children's Pool Party (*offsite*)

MONDAY, June 29

TUESDAY, June 30

8:00 pm Evening Prayer (*online*)

WEDNESDAY, July 1

11:00 am Staff Meeting (*Conference*)
5:45 pm Passport Kids Practice (*Kelly*)

THURSDAY, July 2

9:00 am Downtown Walking Group (*offsite*)
11:30 am Active Retirees Lunch & Learn (*Kelly*)

FRIDAY, July 3

7:00 pm Board Game Affinity Group (*Baraca*)

SATURDAY, July 4

Independence Day

SUNDAY, July 5

Passport Youth
9:00 am Sunday Bible Study (*online*)
9:30 am Sunday Bible Study Adults, Youth, &
Children (*in person*)
10:30 am Coffee and Conversation (*Commons*)
11:00 am Worship (*Sanctuary & online*)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday, 8:30am - 5:00pm
Friday, 8:30am - 1:00pm

Seeking Donations | Crisis Control

The gifts for July are Salad Dressing, BBQ Sauce, and Hot Sauce. Please drop off donations in the first floor bins. Thank you!

Seeking Donations | Una Bendición

The Missions Committee invites donations of cereal and bouillon cubes for Una Bendición, which connects Spanish-speaking families with community resources. Place donations by the Crisis Control bins. Thanks!

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