

A Service of Worship

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 15, 2021

11:00 a.m.

As we enter sacred space for worship, quiet your heart and mind, centering your thoughts on God's presence among us.

Gathering for Worship

Prelude *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* arr. Innes
Baxter Jennings, Organ

Welcome Rev. Dr. Libby Grammer

Call to Worship

Leader: Give thanks to God!

**People: We thank God for joy, for laughter,
for abundant blessings of every kind.**

Leader: Give thanks to God
at all times and for everything!

**People: We thank God, when we can and as we can,
for struggles, for solitude, for fears.**

Leader: Give thanks to God
at all times and for everything
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**People: We thank God that, in Christ,
our joys as well as our pain,
our losses as well as our laughter,
are in God's heart and hands.**

Invocation & Lord's Prayer Dr. Grammer

**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 374 *Now Thank We All Our God* NUK DANKET
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Hearing & Interpreting the Scriptures

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 34:9-14 William Underwood
The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

New Testament Lesson Ephesians 5:15-20
The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able

Children's Worship Pastor Libby

*After children's worship, children age 5 and under are invited to
join our nursery workers for age-appropriate children's church.*

*Hymn 290 *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart* MORECAMBE

Sermon *What's Worship, Anyway?* Dr. Grammer

Responding to God

*Song of Response
Hymn 722 *When the Church of Jesus* KING'S WESTON

Committing Our Lives

Prayer of Commitment Dr. Grammer

*Presentation of Tithes and Offerings
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 Dr. Grammer

*Response 820 *Threefold Amen* Danish

Postlude *Concerto in b minor* Vivaldi

*This is the season after Pentecost in the Christian year. Having
celebrated the "birthday of the church" through the giving of the Holy
Spirit on the Day of Pentecost, we enter the Season after Pentecost for
24 weeks, to celebrate the existence of the church and recall her
mission in the world. The liturgical color for the season is green,
symbolic of the church's growth and mission.*

Worship is Live Streamed on Facebook and YouTube each Sunday
morning at the worship hour and a video recording is posted on the
church website/YouTube page within 24-48 hours. To listen by phone
during the worship hour: **Zoom Call-in Number:** 1-833-548-0276;
Meeting ID: 276 632 6336 #, #

Children's Worship Bags for all ages are in the Narthex (foyer at
the back of the Sanctuary). These bags are intended to help children
process what they are hearing and seeing as they worship with
their families. Please return the bags after worship so they can be
used in our next service.

Flowers in the Sanctuary are in honor of Roy and Nancy Thomas'
51st Wedding Anniversary.

Prayer Reminder

CHURCH FAMILY: John Abbott, Alice Bowman, Mary Clifton,
Martha Drane, Ann Draper, Judy Epperly, Jean Gray,
Smitty & Ann Grogan, Ted Hatcher, George Lester, Marvin Midkiff,
Betty Minter, Betty Prillaman, Jimmie Sexton, Benny Shires, Stacey
Steagall, Shirley Stone, Yvonne Turner, Gayle Williams

August Birthdays: 5 Joan Haynes, 7 Crystal Darden, 9 Ben Caudill,
10 Chad Coleman, J.I. Shumate, 11 Joan Barrow, 13 Roy Thomas,
14 Pam Caudill, Nancy Thomas, Nancy Wyatt, 20 Marvin Midkiff,
Betty Prillaman, Becky Collins, 28 Shirley Stone, 29 Edith Bolen,
30 Darnell Cockram

Love Offering for Ted Hatcher

Ted Hatcher, our maintenance technician, has been receiving
cancer treatments and is now home. We are collecting a love
offering to help Ted afford his home health care. Ted has kept our
church running for many years and now we would like to be able to
give our love and support back to him. Please bring or mail your
love offering to the church.

ONE WEEK FROM TODAY, WE BEGIN...

RESHAPE TRANSFORMING CHURCH PROCESS
CHURCHWIDE LAUNCH EVENT

Mark your calendars & plan to attend:
Sunday, August 22nd at 4:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall
(Dinner & Childcare Provided)

Sign up TODAY in the Narthex
or call/email the church office to sign up.

What is the Reshape process?

Sister CBF churches FBC and Chatham Heights Baptist in
Martinsville are walking together through a guided process to
integrate the innovation & adaptation of the last year in our
post-COVID church experience. We seek together to be a greater
expression of the Body of Christ in our community.

We have an opportunity to grow through this last year's
disruption of our lives rather than simply return to pre-COVID
"church-as-it-always-was." Instead of leaving our spiritual
growth to chance, though, we are choosing cooperatively to
embark on an intentional journey of transformation with
Chatham Heights Baptist Church.

Let us discover our purpose jointly through this Spirit-driven
renewal process. **We need EVERYONE to participate to make
this process successful for the life and future of our church.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The McCabe Library News

Check out our database for easy reading!
<https://mckh-ind.skathi.opalsinfo.net/bin/home>

Worship Care Schedule

Sunday, August 15th - Susan Sapp
Sunday, August 22nd - Roslyn Wingett

Deacons of the Month: Roslyn Wingett and Jean Rood

Deacons of the month assist your pastor and other deacons with visitation as needed.

Gratitude for Giving...

FULLER DAVIS MUSIC FUND: A gift has been given in memory of Jeanne Pedigo by Edith Bolen and Helen Wright. MISSION OPPORTUNITY: A gift has been given in memory of Thomas Draper by Roy & Nancy Thomas. LIBRARY FUND: A gift has been given in memory of Jimmy Jordan by Becky Stone. HOSPITALITY: A gift has been given in memory of Jeanne Pedigo and Thomas Draper by Becky Stone. GENERAL FUND: A gift has been given in memory of Jeanne & John Pedigo by Herb & Ruth Anne Collins. A gift has been given in memory of Gene Medley and Annie Lee Ferrell by Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Beeler.

MISSIONS ANNOUNCEMENTS

2021 Cooperative Baptist Fellowship General Assembly

August 25-28-Virtual

You're invited to come and find hope and renewal at the 2021 CBF General Assembly. The CBF Global General Assembly event is virtual. Through meaningful worship experiences, compelling workshops, a virtual exhibit hall and opportunities to join with partner organizations and CBF ministry networks, we'll connect in new ways, open to service as vessels of transformation even as we have been transformed.

Undies Sundays a Success!

Thank you for all the donations. We had 236 pairs of socks, 511 pairs of undies, and 16 undershirts.

Thank you to Altrusa International of MHC for their generous donations to "Undies Sunday."

Back2School 2021

Thank you for demonstrating the love of Christ and hope to families in our community!

Grace Network July-Sept. 2021 Food Assignment

Bisquick (baking mix-small)
Please drop the food off at the church.

Welcome to First Baptist Church!

We are #yourcitychurch in Martinsville...

A diverse community of believers coming from many Christian traditions to worship, learn, and grow together as followers of Jesus.

Serving God in our church, our community, and the world by investing our energy and resources to living like Jesus called us to live — in service to God and neighbor.

Growing and changing our ministries to include more variety in our vision so as to meet the needs of our community. Come GROW with us!

If you do not have a church home, you are welcome here.

Come and see what God is doing among us as we worship and serve in Christ's name.

Want to know more? Contact our Pastor: libby@fbcmartinsville.com
or 276-632-6336.

Opportunities for the Week

Sunday, August 15

9:30 a.m. Journey Small Group-Rm 110
9:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School-Church Nursery
9:30 a.m. Combined Adult Sunday School-Fellowship Hall/Zoom
11:00 a.m. Worship-In-Person/Virtual

Monday, August 16

2:00 p.m. By-Laws Committee

Tuesday, August 17

5:15 p.m. Business & Finance Committee

Wednesday, August 18

11:00 a.m. Trustee Meeting

Thursday, August 19

10:00 a.m. Bible Study-Revelation-Zoom
1:00 p.m. Building & Grounds Committee



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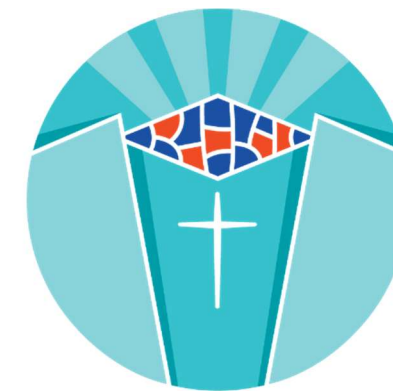
Rev. Dr. Libby M. Grammer
Senior Pastor

Baxter Jennings
Organist

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Mission Statement:

The congregation of First Baptist Church, led by the Holy Spirit, covenants to worship Almighty God and to be disciples of Jesus Christ. Consistent with the Great Commission, we will share our spiritual gifts beyond our doors with enthusiasm, generosity, and grace.



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
MARTINSVILLE, VA



Season after Pentecost

*Hymn 374 *Now Thank We All Our God* NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
who, from our mother's arms, hath blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us in his grace and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
the one eternal God whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

*Hymn 290 *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart* MORECAMBE

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
wean it from earth, though all its pulse move;
stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art,
and make me love thee as I ought to love.

I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies,
no sudden rending of the veil of clay,
no angel visitant, no opening skies;
but take the dimness of my soul away.

Hast thou not bid us love thee, God and King,
all, all thine own, soul, heart and strength and mind?
I see thy cross there teach my heart to cling:
O let me seek thee, and O let me find.

Teach me to feel that thou art always nigh;
teach me the struggles of the soul to bear,
to check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh;
teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.

Teach me to love thee as thine angels love,
one holy passion filling all my frame;
the baptism of the heaven descended Dove,
my heart an altar, and thy love the flame.

*Song of Response

Hymn 722 *When the Church of Jesus* KING'S WESTON

When the Church of Jesus shuts its outer door,
lest the roar of traffic drown the voice of prayer:
may our prayers, Lord, make us ten times more aware
that the world we banish is our Christian care.

If our hearts are lifted where devotion soars
high above this hungry, suffering world of ours:
lest our hymns should drug us to forget its needs,
forge our Christian worship into Christian deeds.

Lest the gifts we offer, money, talents, time,
serve to salve our conscience, to our secret shame:
Lord, reprove, inspire us by the way you give;
teach us, dying Savior, how true Christians live.