

A Service of Worship

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

October 24, 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 *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus* arr. Callahan
Baxter Jennings, organ

Welcome Rev. Dr. Libby Grammer

Call to Worship

Leader: When we want to be a church ever-reforming, yet cling to comfortable ways:

People: Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on us!

Leader: When we want to honor your "still speaking voice," but are fearful of insights which challenge old assumptions:

People: Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on us!

Leader: When we want to live into Jesus' dream of oneness, but fail to listen to voices of difference:

People: Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on us!

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 130 *O For a Thousand Tongues* AZMON

Hearing & Interpreting the Scriptures

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 34:1-8 Marsha Frith

The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

*Gospel Lesson Mark 10:46-52

The Gospel of our Lord. **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

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.

*Please stand as you are able

*Songs of Praise

Lydia Tyree

Come As You Are

Crowder/Maher/Glover
CCLI Song # 7017790

Living Hope

Wickham/Johnson
*CCLI Song # 7106807

Sermon

From the Outside In

Dr. Grammer

Responding to God

*Song of Response

Hymn 532

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

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

Amen

Bourgeois

Postlude

Alleluia! Finale

arr. Callahan

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.

Worship Care Schedule

Sunday, October 24th - Julie Hall

Sunday, October 31st - Susan Sapp

Prayer Reminder

CHURCH FAMILY: John Abbott, Alice Bowman, Judy Szulecki Bunin, Mary Clifton, Darnell Cockram, Martha Crawley, Helen Dandridge, Martha Drane, 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

October Birthdays: 2 Ron Austin, 4 Ronnie Garren, Morton Lester, 8 Linda Penta, 17 David Collins, 20 John Collins, 31 Mary Frances Gibbs, Joe Hundley

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Business Meeting Agenda, TODAY at 1:00 p.m. on Zoom

1. Approval of the Minutes, 2. Financial Report, 3. Committee Reports, 4. Present the 2022 Budget for approval. Copies of the proposed budget are available in the Narthex today. PDF copies were emailed in the e-newsletter.

Portrait in the Parlor

Rev. John Fulcher's portrait now hangs in the Parlor with all of our former pastors. Artist: Karen Despot.

ELC Trunk or Treat, October 29th from 4:00pm to 6:00pm

FBC ELC is excited to be holding a socially-distanced, COVID-safe Trunk-or-Treat for all ELC kids and their families! We will need help gathering Halloween/Fall decorations (for those needing help decking out their trunks), donations of bags of candy and volunteers that would be willing to set up a trunk and pass out candy to the kids. **Please let the church office know via phone/email if you would be willing to set up a trunk and pass out candy.**

BGAV Annual Meeting-Virtual Gathering, November 9-10, 2021

Registration is now open for the BGAV Annual Meeting for all messengers and guests. If you are interested in attending virtually, please call the church office for the registration information. more information will also be available via email.

Deacons of the Month: Tom Hall and Herb Collins

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

MISSIONS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Women on Mission-Raceway Ministry Snacks

This is a church-wide mission opportunity with the Henry County Baptist Association to donate individually-wrapped snacks for the hospitality tent at the race. Please bring your snacks to the church by this Tuesday, October 26th.

Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child

It's that time of year again! Time to pick up and fill a shoebox to share God's love with a child whose life will be brightened by your gift! Empty shoeboxes with instructions inside are available for pickup in the Narthex. Please fill and return them to the church with a check for \$9.00 to cover the cost of shipping) by Sunday, November 21st.

Henry County Food Pantry Box Packing

Saturday, November 20th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

We will be assisting with food box packing. Wear your mask and FBC t-shirt and join us for this mission opportunity! Please sign up by calling or emailing the church office. Childcare will be provided at the church.

Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions

Our goal was 1,500 and we have raised \$1,852.55! Thank You!

Grace Network Oct.-Dec. 2021 Food Assignment

Green Peas (15 oz.) Please drop the food off at the church.

Gratitude for Giving...

GRACE NETWORK: A gift has been given in memory of Margaret Lester by FBC & the Bereavement Committee and Marie Lannom.

GENERAL FUND: A gift has been given in memory of Margaret Lester by Cliff & Jean Rood and Anne McDaniel. A gift has been given in memory of Jeanne Pedigo by Shirley Stone.

Opportunities for the Week

Sunday, October 24

- 9:30 a.m. ReShape-Journey Small Group-Rm 110/Zoom
- 9:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School-Church Nursery
- 9:30 a.m. ReShape-Adult Sunday School-Fellowship Hall/Zoom
- 11:00 a.m. Worship-In-Person/Virtual
- 1:00 p.m. Business Meeting-Zoom
- 2:30 p.m. ReShape Small Group at King's Grant

Monday, October 25

- 10:00 a.m. Children's Chapel-Sanctuary
- 2:00 p.m. ReShape Small Group-Zoom
- 7:00 p.m. Missions Committee-Zoom

Tuesday, October 26

- 7:00 p.m. Children & Youth Committee-Zoom

Wednesday October 27

- 5:15 p.m. Nominating Committee
- 7:00 p.m. ReShape Small Group-Zoom

Thursday, October 28

- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study-Genesis-Zoom

Friday, October 29

- 4:00 p.m. ELC Trunk or Treat-parking lot

RESHAPE TRANSFORMING CHURCH PROCESS

Small Group Meetings (8 Sessions/Weeks)

September 12th-November 5th

We are walking together through a guided process to integrate the innovation & adaptation of the last year in our post-COVID church experience. We seek to be a greater expression of the Body of Christ in our community. We are discerning in small groups how God is leading us into the future as a community of faith.

Small groups meet on: Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in-person/Zoom, 2:00 p.m. in-person, Monday 2:00 p.m. on Zoom, and Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. Zoom.

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.

Open Invitation

Our congregation wishes to partner with you and your family on a shared journey of faith. Whatever your background, we would love to explore with you how to join with us as we minister to this community together.

Please contact our pastor if you are interested in wanting to know more about following Jesus, how to join this church as an active participant, or if you'd like to recommit yourself to this church and its ministry.

Our doors are always open.



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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 130 *O For a Thousand Tongues* AZMON

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.

Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease,
'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the power of canceled sin, he sets the prisoner free;
his blood can make the foulest clean; his blood availed for me.

He speaks, and listening to his voice, new life the dead receive;
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

*Song of Response

Hymn 532 *Be Thou My Vision* SLANE

Be thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my Wisdom, and thou my true Word,
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
high King of heaven, my Treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my Vision, O ruler of all.

*Songs of Praise

Come As You Are Crowder/Maher/Glover

Come out of sadness from wherever you've been
Come broken-hearted let rescue begin
Come find your mercy O sinner come kneel
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal

Chorus

(So) Lay down your burdens lay down your shame

All who are broken lift up your face

O wanderer come home

You're not too far

So lay down your hurt lay down your heart

Come as you are

There's hope for the hopeless

And all those who've strayed

Come sit at the table come taste the grace

There's rest for the weary

Rest that endures

Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't cure

Chorus

Bridge

Come as you are

Fall in His arms

Come as you are

Chorus

There's joy for the morning O sinner be still

Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal

Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal

Chorus

Come as you are

Come as you are

Come as you are

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Living Hope

Wickham/Johnson

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished the end is written
Jesus Christ my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy
What heart could fathom such boundless grace
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ my living hope

Chorus

Hallelujah praise the One who set me free

Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me

You have broken every chain

There's salvation in Your name

Jesus Christ my living hope

Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me (repeat)
Jesus Yours is the victory whoa

Chorus

Jesus Christ my living hope

Oh God You are my living hope

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