

A Service of Worship

Reformation Sunday

October 30, 2022

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 *All People That On Earth Do Dwell* arr. Paine
Baxter Jennings, organ

Welcome Rev. Dr. Libby Grammer

Call to Worship Dr. Grammer

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

**People: Give us grace to be uncomfortable for
the sake of your Kingdom.**

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

**People: Empower us to rise to the challenge of your
Spirit's work.**

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

**People: Inspire us to be hospitable and love others
as you love us.**

Leader: We trust in the One who has guided the Church
for two millennia.

**People: Through Christ, God forgives our failings,
and calls us beyond all we could ask or imagine.**

Invocation & 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 43 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* EIN' FESTE BURG

*Please stand as you are able

Hearing the Scriptures

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 84:1-7 Taylor Robertson

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

*Gospel Lesson Luke 19:1-10
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.*

Committing Our Lives

*Hymn 701 *God Is Here!* BEECHER

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.**

Engaging the Scriptures

Anthem *Grace Upon Grace* McDonald

Sermon *Why, Church, I didn't Recognize You!* Dr. Grammer

Responding to God

*Song of Response
Hymn 702 *I Love Thy Kingdom Lord* ST. THOMAS

*Benediction Litany Dr. Grammer

Leader: For all that God can do within us,
for all that God can do without us,

People: Thanks be to God!

Leader: For all in whom Christ lived before us,
for all in whom Christ lives beside us,

People: Thanks be to God!

Leader: For all the Spirit wants to bring us,
for where the Spirit wants to send us,

People: Thanks be to God!

Leader: The blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
be with you and on your way together,
now and forever.

All: Amen.

*Response *Bind Us Together* Gillman

Postlude *At the Name of Jesus* arr. Powell

Today is Reformation Sunday, which is celebrated on the last Sunday of October, commemorating the beginning of the Protestant Reformation. On October 31, 1517, Martin Luther posted his 95 theses to the door of the church in Wittenberg, Germany. The liturgical color of the day is red, which represents the Holy Spirit and the Martyrs of the Christian Church. Red is also the liturgical color for anniversaries and festival days of the churches.

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.

Prayer Reminder

CHURCH FAMILY: John Abbott, Alice Bowman, Judy Szulecki Bunin, John Burgess, Mary Clifton, Martha Crawley, Helen Dandridge, Martha Drane, Nita Gauldin, Ann Grogan, Armand Harrell, George Lester, Marvin Midkiff, Betty Minter, Betty Prillaman, Shirley Roark, Benny Shires, Stacey Steagall, Shirley Stone, Yvonne Turner, Gayle Williams

October Birthdays: 31 Mary Frances Gibbs, Joe Hundley
November Birthdays: 1 David Lewis, 2 Jay Frith, Suzanne Martin, 4 Marcia Collins, 5 Julie Hall, 9 Cliff Rood, 15 Anne McDaniel, 15 David Cameron, 18 Chuck Martin, 21 Roslyn Wingett, 22 Joe Engle, 24 Helen Wright, 29 Libby Grammer

Worship Care Schedule

Sunday, October 30- Crystal Darden
Sunday, November 6- Linda Moore

Deacons of the Month: Ross Gale and Linda Gale

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

Grace Network Oct.-Dec. 2022 Food Assignment:

Small Bisquick or Small Flour

Please drop the food off in the Missions Room at the church.

Business Meeting Agenda, TODAY, October 30, 2022

12:15 p.m. IN-PERSON in the Fellowship Hall

1. Approval of the Minutes, 2. Financial Report, 3. Committee Reports, 4. Vote on Messengers for BGAV, 5. Vote to approve the 2023 Budget, 6. Vote to approve nominees on the 2023 Nominating Committee Report.

Opportunities for the Week

Sunday, October 30

9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School-Rm 105-107/Zoom
9:45 a.m. Journey Small Group-Rm 110/Zoom
9:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School-Church Nursery
11:00 a.m. Worship-In-Person/Virtual
12:15 p.m. Business Meeting/In-Person-Fellowship Hall

Monday, October 31

12:00 p.m. Ladies Lunch & Learn-Rm 105
6:00 pm. Stillwater Small Group Rehearsal-Sanctuary
7:00 p.m. Smith River Singers Rehearsal- Sanctuary

Tuesday, November 1

10:00 a.m. Children's Chapel-Sanctuary
12:00 p.m. Personnel Committee-Rm 105

Wednesday, November 2

7:00 p.m. Midweek Check-in/Zoom

Thursday, November 3

10:00 a.m. Bible Study-Exodus/Zoom
5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW for All Saints, NEXT SUNDAY - November 6, 2022

We invite you to plan for and attend our All Saints Sunday service, where we remember those saints who have gone before us - especially those in the past year from among our church membership. This year, we would like you all to bring a framed photo of someone you are remembering on All Saints Sunday, with names attached if desired (no larger than 8x10, please), which will be displayed on tables on the front sides of the Sanctuary during worship. With these, we will have an opportunity to see the faces of our loved ones as the "great cloud of witnesses" who remind us that we are not alone, but surrounded daily by those who have come before us.

Mission Opportunity-Henry County Food Pantry Box Packing Saturday, November 12th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

We will be assisting with food box packing. Wear your 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.

Mini Health Fair+ COVID Vaccines, Saturday, November 12th FBC Parking Lot-1:00-4:00 p.m. Volunteers needed

This event is free and no registration is needed. Sponsored by FBC, WMUV, and MHC Coalition for Health and Wellness. Anyone 18 and older can receive a wellness check (blood pressure & blood sugar) and/or receive a New COVID booster vaccine. **3-4 volunteers are needed for this event.**

Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child

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 \$10.00 to cover the cost of shipping) by Sunday morning, November 20th.

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.



Rev. Dr. Libby M. Grammer
Senior Pastor

Rev. David Cameron
Associate Pastor for
Music & Worship

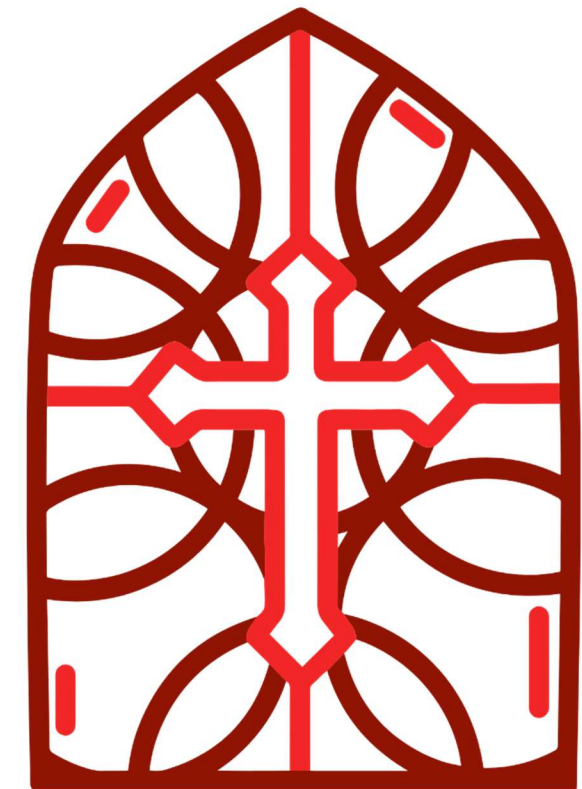
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*Hymn 43 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* EIN' FESTE BURG

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
our helper he, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
his craft and power are great, and, armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing,
were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he;
Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same;
and he must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,
we will not fear, for God has willed his truth to triumph through us.
The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure;
one little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers no thanks to them abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours thro' him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still;
his kingdom is forever!

*Hymn 701 *God Is Here!* BEECHER

God is here! As we his people meet to offer praise and prayer,
may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share:
here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts
wait the coming of his Spirit into open minds and hearts.

Here are symbols to remind us of our like-long need of grace;
here are table, font and pulpit, here the cross has central place:
here in honesty of preaching, here in silence as in speech,
here in newness and renewal God the Spirit comes to each.

Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold;
here, as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old;
here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore
what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.

Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt,
keep us faithful to the gospel, help us work your purpose out;
here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive;
we who cannot live without you, we adore you! we believe.

*Song of Response

Hymn 702 *I Love Thy Kingdom Lord* ST. THOMAS

I love thy kingdom, Lord, the house of thine abode,
the church our blest Redeemer saved with his own precious blood.

I love thy church, O God! Her walls before thee stand,
dear as the apple of thine eye and graven on thy hand.

For her my tears shall fall, for her my prayers ascend;
to her my cares and toils be given, till toils and cares shall end.

Beyond my highest joy I prize her heavenly ways,
her sweet communion, solemn vows, her hymns of love and praise.

Sure as thy truth shall last, to Zion shall be given
the brightest glories earth can yield, and brighter bliss of heaven.