

A Service of Worship & Communion

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 9, 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 *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation* arr. Callahan
Baxter Jennings, organ

Welcome Rev. Dr. Libby Grammer

Call to Worship Dr. Grammer

Leader: A word of encouragement came from prophet to people;

People: Live a life that is full – build, plant, eat, love, multiply –

Leader: Pray for your communities,

People: Keep God in the center of all that is.

Leader: We enter into worship today with hope in our hearts,

People: For something happens here that reminds us that we can live as God desires.

Leader: God has made a promise of faithfulness to us,

People: and we can trust the promise.

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 77 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* LOBE DEN HERREN

Hearing the Scriptures

Old Testament Lesson Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7 Nancy Thomas
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

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

Committing Our Lives

*Hymn 507 *I Then Shall Live* FINLANDIA

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 *For the Beauty of the Earth* Rutter

Sermon *Stop Waiting and Live* Dr. Grammer

Responding to God

*Song of Response
Hymn 610 *Through the Love of God Our Savior*
AR HYD Y NOS

*Benediction

*Response *Shine, Jesus, Shine* Kendrick

Postlude *Finale on "The Sure Foundation"* 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.

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: 2 Ron Austin, 4 Ronnie Garren, Morton Lester, Joe Prince, Adalyn White, 8 Linda Penta, 13 Kaylee White, 17 David Collins, 23 Erica James, Frances Weaver, 28 Charlotte James, 31 Mary Frances Gibbs, Joe Hundley

Worship Care Schedule

Sunday, October 9- Sylvia Knight

Sunday, October 16- Ruth Anne Collins

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.

Opportunities for the Week

Sunday, October 9

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

3:30 p.m. Cantata Rehearsal at CHBC

Monday, October 10

12:00 p.m. Ladies Lunch & Learn Small Group-Rm 105

7:00 p.m. Smith River Singers Rehearsal- Sanctuary

Tuesday, October 11

10:00 a.m. Children's Chapel-Sanctuary

Wednesday, October 12

10:00 a.m. Library Committee

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

Thursday, October 13

10:00 a.m. Bible Study-Exodus/Zoom

5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room

Saturday, October 15

12:30 p.m. Journey Small Group/Pumpkin Patch

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Journey Small Group Pumpkin Patch Visit-Sinkland Farms

Saturday, October 15, 2022-12:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

FBC Young Families are invited to hop on the church bus and ride to beautiful, scenic Riner, Virginia for a pumpkin patch visit — hayrides, corn mazes, farm animals, live music, pony rides, food trucks, and more! **Sign up by Tuesday, October 11th to join us!**

Harvest Fest! Friday, October 28th

5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. FBC Parking Lot, Volunteers Needed!

This year, FBC is teaming up with Chatham Heights Baptist Church to host a Harvest Fest in the FBC Parking Lot. Join us to provide parents a fun and safe place for their children to trick-or-treat, play fall- Halloween-themed games for prizes, listen to great music, and have some snacks/dinner. Visit:

fbcmartinsville.com/harvestfest2022/ to learn how you can volunteer!

WMU-Raceway Ministry Snacks

This is a churchwide mission opportunity with the Henry County Baptist Association to donate individually-wrapped snacks and cookies for the hospitality tent at the race. **Please bring your snacks to the church by Tuesday, October 25th.**

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

Mark your Calendars-Oktoberfest has been Rescheduled!

"Fall" into Winter Fest, Saturday, December 3, 2022

11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Due to the weather Oktoberfest has been moved to December and the title is now "Fall" into Winter Fest. We will still need volunteers for our booth. Please let the church office know if you are able to work the booth you signed up for or if you are able to sign up for spots still open.

BGAV Annual Meeting

November 14-16, 2022, Hampton, VA

After two years of virtual gatherings, BGAV will be an in-person event this year—with a live-streamed option. While the pandemic is still among us, it's taught us a lot about how we can engage with each other and worship together in many different ways. FBC is allowed 7 messengers this year. We hope you'll choose to be with your BGAV family whether it's in person or online. **Sign up by October 27th through the church office.**

NEW for All Saints 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. **Drop off your framed photo(s) at the church office by October 27th, if possible.**

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

Baxter Jennings
Organist

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Season after Pentecost

*Hymn 77 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* LOBE DEN HERREN

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear; now to his temple draw near,
join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee,
surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
if with his love he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen sound from his people again;
gladly forever adore him.

*Hymn 507 *I Then Shall Live* FINLANDIA

I then shall live as one who's been forgiven;
I'll walk with joy to know my debts are paid.
I know my name is clear before my Father;
I am his child, and I am not afraid.
So greatly pardoned, I'll forgive another;
the love of love I gladly will obey.

I then shall live as one who's learned compassion;
I've been so loved that I'll risk loving too.
I know how fear builds walls instead of bridges;
I dare to see another's point of view.
And when relationships demand commitment,
then I'll be there to care and follow through.

Your kingdom come a round and through and in me,
your power and glory, let them shine through me;
your hallowed name, O may I bear with honor,
and may your living Kingdom come in me.
The Bread of Life, O may I share with honor,
and may you feed a hungry world through me.

*Song of Response

Hymn 610 *Through The Love Of God Our Savior* AR HYD Y NOS

Through the love of God our Saviour all will be well;
Free and changeless is His favor, all, all is well;
precious is the blood that healed us,
perfect is the grace that sealed us,
strong the hand stretched out to shield us,
all must be well.

Though we pass through tribulation, all will be well;
ours is such a full salvation, all, all is well;
happy still in God confiding, fruitful, if in Christ abiding,
holy through the Spirit's guiding, all must be well.

We expect a bright tomorrow, all will be well;
faith can sing through days of sorrow, all, all is well;
On our Father's love relying, Jesus every need supplying,
or in living or in dying, all must be well.