

A Service of Worship

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 6, 2023

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 *Arise (I will Arise and Go To Jesus)* arr. Pollock
Baxter Jennings, organ; John Fulcher, piano

Welcome Rev. Dr. Libby Grammer

Special Recognition Martha Medley, Personnel Co-Chair

Call to Worship Dr. Grammer

Leader: Only the hungry search for bread.
Only the thirsty look for water.

**People: This is a place for those who are hungry
and thirsty in spirit.**

Leader: Only those who ache for meaning will pursue it.
Only those who yearn for a deeper life will seek it.

**People: This is a place for those who ache and
yearn for something more.**

Leader: So let us come here today with our hunger and
thirst, our unsatisfied longings, our heart-felt
yearnings, and let the God of life satisfy our souls.

**People: We come to this place ready to receive
God's provision.**

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 101 *My Jesus, I Love Thee* GRODON

Hearing the Scriptures

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 55:1-5 Bill Sapp
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able

Reader's Theatre Matthew 14:13-21
William Underwood, David Cameron, Bill Sapp

Children's Worship Pastor Caroline
*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 772 *For the Bread Which You Have Broken*
FOR THE BREAD

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

Sermon *Come and Get It!* Dr. Grammer

*Song of Response
Hymn 776 *Let Us Break Bread Together*
LET US BREAK BREAD

Celebrating Communion

Prayer of Confession (*unison*) Dr. Grammer

**God, you have given us so much: talents and treasure in
unlimited supply. But we often spend these on superficial
needs. We throw away our plenty on little hungers and
petty desires. We follow the urges to momentary
importance. We chase after happiness while neglecting joy;
we chase after romance while neglecting love; we skim the
surface while fearing the depths.**

**Forgive us, we pray, for our fearfulness, as we rely more
upon our own human illusions of control and satisfaction.
Forgive us for not trusting in your grace, in your
abundance, in the covenant promises that you have
renewed with every generation. In Christ, may we learn to
love you more than we love ourselves.**

Assurance of Pardon

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

Anthem *Bread in Mercy Broken* Herber/Cornell

Prayer of Thanksgiving (*Unison, Inspired by Psalm 145*)

**The LORD is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
The LORD is good to all,
and his compassion is over all that he has made.
The LORD is faithful in all his words,
and gracious in all his deeds.
The LORD upholds all who are falling,
and raises up all who are bowed down.
We hear the word of the Lord in Jesus:
'Your sins are forgiven!'
Thanks be to God.**

Responding to God

*Response 708 *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* DENNIS
Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;
the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

Postlude *My Heart Is Longing to Praise My Savior*
arr. Cassler

***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.*

Flowers in the Sanctuary are in memory of what would have been
the late Lloyd and Betty Jennings' 66th wedding anniversary, given
by Baxter Jennings.

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.

Giving in Worship at First Baptist – We welcome your gifts to
support the mission and ministry of First Baptist Church. You can
give in worship by dropping your offering (check/cash) in our
offering plate in the Narthex, or you can give online anytime at
fbcmartinsville.com/give.

Prayer Reminder

Church Family: John Abbott, Alice Bowman, John Buck, John Burgess, Mary Clifton, Martha Crawley, Linda Dorr, Martha Drane, Nita Gauldin, Ann Grogan, Armand Harrell, George Lester, Betsy Miers, Betty Minter, Betty Prillaman, Shirley Roark, Benny Shires, Shirley Stone, Yvonne Turner, Gayle Williams

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

Deacons of the Month: Roslyn Wingett and Bobby Moore
Deacons of the month assist your pastor and other deacons with visitation as needed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Personnel Anniversary Recognition

*On behalf of the Personnel Committee and Church Family,
we appreciate your dedicated service, devotion, and
commitment to
First Baptist Church of Martinsville.*

5-Year Anniversary

August 1, 2018

Rev. Dr. Libby Grammer, Senior Pastor

6-Year Anniversary

August 1, 2017

Mary Taylor, Administrative Assistant

Reception for Dr. Grammer-TODAY!

Join us in the Bell tower for a reception celebrating her five-year anniversary with FBC!

Grace Network July-Sept. 2023 Food Assignment:

Spaghetti Sauce (24 oz jar or can)

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

Worship Care Schedule

Sunday, August 6th- Imogene McMillan

Sunday, August 13th- Linda Gale

Missionary Prayer: Tina Boyles Bailey

CBF Field Personnel in Graz, Austria

Tina Boyles Bailey serves as Minister to the Arts Community, Refugees/Immigrants. Her work focuses on mentoring artists and providing trauma informed care and training to and for refugee and immigrant communities in Europe. In partnership with the European Baptist Federation, she works communally in a manner that bridges ethnicity and religion, artistic expression and trauma care.

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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Season after Pentecost

*Hymn 101 *My Jesus, I Love Thee* GRODON

My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine,
for all the follies of sin I resign;
my gracious Redeemer, my Savior art thou;
if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love thee because thou hast first loved me,
and purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree;
I love thee for wearing the thorns on thy brow;
if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow:
if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

Hymn 772 *For the Bread Which You Have Broken* FOR THE BREAD

For the bread which you have broken,
for the wine which you have poured,
for the words which you have spoken,
now we give you thanks, O Lord.

By these pledges that you love us,
by your gift of peace restored,
by your call to heaven above us,
consecrate our lives, O Lord.

In your service, Lord, defend us;
help us to obey your word;
in the world to which you send us
let your kingdom come, O Lord.

*Song of Response
Hymn 776 *Let Us Break Bread Together* LET US BREAK BREAD

Refrain
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us break bread together on our knees;
Let us break bread together on our knees;

Refrain
Let us drink wine together on our knees;
Let us drink wine together on our knees;

Refrain
Let us praise God together on our knees;
Let us praise God together on our knees;

Refrain

Missions Opportunities

Patrick Henry Elementary Food Pantry
The Missions Committee is inviting the church to participate in a new opportunity to serve children in our community. Patrick Henry Elementary school will be providing food bags for students who need extra food over the weekends. The committee voted to partner with the Patrick Henry School staff for the upcoming school year in providing items for these food bags. If you would like to participate, you are asked to place any of the following items in the box marked "PHE" in Room 103, the Missions Room:

- single serve cereal
- applesauce
- instant oatmeal
- dried fruit
- granola bars
- pancake mix (eggless)
- macaroni & cheese
- canned or packet meats
- crackers
- soup
- juice
- canned pasta with sauce

God's Pit Crew Children's Play Pails
We are excited to share a new mission project the WMU is sponsoring this fall. We will be collecting items for "Children's Play Pail" buckets. These buckets will be distributed by God's Pit Crew to children who have lost everything in a disaster situation. So that you may begin looking for bargains now, the items below are needed for each bucket:

- Rolled Fleece Blanket
- Coloring book/crayons
- Children's shampoo
- Children's toothbrush
- Travel size toothpaste
- 8 inch or smaller stuffed animal
- Children's soap
- Baby wipes
- Baby Wipes

Opportunities for the Week

- Sunday, August 6**
8:45 a.m. Deacons Meeting-Fellowship Hall
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-Sanctuary/Online
12:00 p.m. Reception for Dr. Grammer-Bell Tower

Tuesday, August 8
10:00 a.m. Children's Chapel-Sanctuary

Wednesday, August 9
10:00 a.m. Library Committee
2:30 p.m. History Committee-Rm 101

Thursday, August 10
10:00 a.m. Bible Study-Numbers-Rm 105/Zoom
5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room

Gratitude for Giving...
FULLER DAVIS MUSIC: A gift has been given in honor of Baxter Jennings and John Fulcher by Judy Epperly. ELC SCHOLARSHIP: A gift has been given in memory of Nancy Thomas by Judy Epperly. CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: Gifts have been given in memory of Nancy Thomas by Linda & Ran Isley, Betty June Morris,