

A Service of Worship

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 21, 2024

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 *Praise the Lord, O My Soul* arr. Pachelbel
Baxter Jennings, organ

Welcome Rev. Dr. Libby Grammer

Call to Worship Rev. Caroline Taminger

Leader: We gather together in the name of Jesus Christ,

People: members of God's family, and brothers and sisters to one another.

Leader: There are no outsiders here among us, no one has special standing or bragging rights.

People: For we have been brought together by the redeeming love of Jesus.

All: Let us join together in worship!

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 493 *I Know Whom I Have Believed* EL NATHAN

Hearing the Scriptures

New Testament Lesson Ephesians 2:11-22 Roslyn Wingett
The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

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 612 *How Firm a Foundation* FOUNDATION

*Please stand as you are able

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 *If You Love Me* Beck

Sermon *Christ Our Cornerstone* Dr. Grammer

Responding to God

*Song of Response
Hymn 495 *My Faith Has Found a Resting Place* LANDAS

*Benediction Dr. Grammer

*Response *Cornerstone* Cameron/Myrin
Morgan, Liljero, Bradbury

Postlude *Caprice* Cadman

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.

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.

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 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 #, #

Prayer Reminder

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

July Birthdays: 4 Betty Layton, 10 Pam Burgess, 13 Ross Gale, 16 Baxter Jennings, 17 Shirley Reeves, 18 Rick Caudill, 20 Ruth Dandridge, 21 Imogene McMillan, 25 Sue Lester, 26 Debbie Stokes, 29 Stephens Turner, William Underwood

Worship Care
Sunday, July 21st – Roslyn Wingett
Sunday, August 4th – Susan Sapp

Deacon of the Month: Linda Gale
Deacon of the month assists your pastor and other deacons with visitation as needed.

Grace Network July-Aug. 2024 Food Assignment: Grits
Please drop the food off in the Missions Room at the church.

Gratitude for Giving
GENERAL FUND: A gift has been given in memory of Katherine Nelson by Dira Nelson Ensminger.

Opportunities for the Week

Sunday, July 21

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

Tuesday, July 23

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

Wednesday, July 24

10:00 a.m. Trustee Meeting-Conference Room
2:00 p.m. History Committee-Rm. 219

Thursday, July 25

10:00 a.m. Bible Study-Rm. 105 /Judges
10:30 a.m. School age Chapel-Sanctuary
2:00 p.m. Building & Grounds Committee-Rm. 105
5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room

Friday, July 26

6:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School-CHBC

Saturday, July 27

10:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School-CHBC

Sunday, July 28

10:30 a.m. Worship-Chatham Heights Baptist Church
11:30 a.m. Hot dog lunch-CHBC
6:00 p.m. Vacation Bible School-CHBC

Personnel Anniversary Recognition

1-Year Anniversary

July 23, 2023

Rev. Caroline Taminger, Associate Pastor for Families

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

Announcements

Vacation Bible School, July 26th-28th

Volunteers Needed!

Shared VBS will be held at Chatham Heights Baptist Church. The theme this year is "Following the Shepherd"

Times are:

Friday 26th: 6:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.

Saturday 27th: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Sunday 28th: 6:00 p.m.

To volunteer email: caroline@fbcmartinsville.com

Shared Worship Service, NEXT Sunday, July 28th

Chatham Heights Baptist Church at 10:30 a.m.*

Join us as we worship with our sister church, Chatham Heights Baptist Church. Afterwards stay for fellowship and a hot dog lunch.

A Farewell Reception for the Grammer-Underwood Family

August 4th after Worship in the Fellowship Hall

Please join us on Sunday, August 4th, after worship to say goodbye to Libby and her family. We will have a light lunch of salads and fruit. The Hospitality Committee will provide a tossed green salad and drinks. Please bring your favorite salad and/or some fruit and join us as we say good-bye! Let the church office know if you will be attending and what you will be bringing.

Back2School Event

Each school year, First Baptist joins with churches and organizations all over the region to provide backpacks, school supplies, and new shoes and socks to children.

Registration #2: Tuesday, July 23rd, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Uptown Ministry Center-register the names and measure their feet.

Fill the Backpacks: Tuesday, July 30th, 6:00 p.m.-?
700 Commerce Court, Martinsville

Special Needs Day: Friday, August 2nd

The Big Event: Saturday, August 3rd, 7:30 a.m.
Uptown Ministry Center

To volunteer, contact Tracy Hinchcliff:
tracy.hinchcliff@gracenetworkmhc.org or 276-403-4222,
or contact the Church Office: 276-632-6336.

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 493 *I Know Whom I Have Believed* EL NATHAN

I know not why God's wondrous grace to me he hath made known,
nor why, unworthy, Christ in love redeemed me for his own.

Refrain

*But "I know whom I have believed,
and am persuaded that he is able to keep
that which I've committed unto him against that day."*

I know not how this saving faith to me he did impart,
nor how believing in his Word wrought peace with-in my heart.

Refrain

I know not how the Spirit moves, convincing us of sin,
revealing Jesus through the Word, creating faith in him.

Refrain

I know not when my Lord may come, at night or noon day fair,
nor if I'll walk the vale with him, or "meet him in the air."

Refrain

*Hymn 612 *How Firm a Foundation* FOUNDATION

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in his excellent word!
What more can he say than to you he hath said,
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
the flame shall not hurt thee, I only design
thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake!"

Song of Response

Hymn 495 *My Faith Has Found a Resting Place* LANDAS

My faith has found a resting place, not in device nor creed;
I trust the ever living One, his wounds for me shall plead.

Refrain

*I need no other argument, I need no other plea,
it is enough that Jesus died, and that he died for me.*

Enough for me that Jesus saves, this ends my fear and doubt;
a sinful soul, I come to him, he'll never cast me out.

Refrain

My heart is leaning on the Word, the written Word of God,
salvation by my Savior's name, salvation through his blood.

Refrain

My great Physician heals the sick, the lost he came to save;
for me his precious blood he shed, for me his life he gave.

Refrain