

A Service of Worship & Communion

World Communion Sunday

October 6, 2024

10:30 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 *Adagio* Mendelssohn
Baxter Jennings, organ

Welcome Rev. David Cameron

Call to Worship Rev. Caroline Taminger

Leader: Around the world people gather to break bread
and pour wine.

People: We gather with them in heart and mind.

Leader: Around the world the broken body is made whole.

People: As part of that body we join in its unity.

Leader: Around the world the Banquet of God is prepared
for the table.

**People: We, who share in the banquet, come eagerly
to be fed.**

Leader: Let us worship together, let us share God's bounty.

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 103 *Ye Servants of God, Your Master* HANOVER

Hearing the Scriptures

*Gospel Lesson John 13:1-20 Merle Prince

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

Solo *The Basin and the Towel* Card
Rob Bailey, Piano & Tenor Solo

Children's Message Pastor Caroline

*After the children's message, children age 5 and up are invited to
follow our Children's Chapel Leaders to Chapel in Room 101.*

*Please stand as you are able

Committing Our Lives

*Hymn 426 *Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service* BEACH SPRING

Prayer of Commitment Rev. Cameron

*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 *A Shepherd's Psalm* Martin

Sermon *The Basin and the Towel* Rev. Dr. Mike Hatfield

*Song of Response

Hymn 774 *Bread of the World in Mercy Broken*

WAYFARING STRANGER

Celebrating Communion

Communion Litany (*responsive*) Dr. Hatfield

Leader: Called to the table, to share the wine and bread,
"I want you to remember me," Jesus softly said.

People: Come, Come to the table.

L: We think about the mystery – the words that Jesus said,
And how he gave his life for us as we break the bread.

P: Come, Come to the table.

L: Gathered at the table, God's Spirit in the air,
We drink the cup of blessing, the bread of life we share.

P: Come, Come to the table.

L: Together in communion, one family – young and old,
We celebrate together, as ancient words are told.

P: Come, Come to the table.

L: There's room at the table, no matter how we feel,
Jesus reaches out to us in this holy meal.

P: Come, Come to the table.

L: We rise from the table, forgiven, loved, and free.
We leave to be the people who God calls us to be.

P: Come, Come to the table.

L: Gathered at the table, surrounded by God's grace,
We are one Christian family, in every time and place.

P: Come, Come to the table.

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

**Holy God, we have been blessed as a community not only
to hear Scripture read and proclaimed, but to gather at
your table. Sustained body, mind and soul, send us out
into the world to share the gospel with both our words
and actions so everyone we meet encounters your
embodied word. Amen.**

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

Pastoral Prayer of Thanksgiving

Responding to God

*Response 708 *Blest Be the Tie* DENNIS

Postlude *God of Grace and God of Glory* arr. Page

*Today is World Communion Sunday, which is observed annually on
the first Sunday in October. In a time when fear and violence divide
the people of God's earth, World Communion Sunday reminds us of
our unity through Christ. Christians in congregations around the
world are participating in communion today, and First Baptist Church
and Chatham Heights Baptist Church joins our brothers and sisters in
all nations as we gather around the table to remember Christ's
sacrifice.*

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by Jan Richardson, an artist creating images for worship,
contemplation, and education. See more of her work on her
website at: janrichardsonimages.com. Used with permission.

We Welcome our brothers and sisters from Chatham Heights
Baptist Church and Rev. Dr. Mike Hatfield for this shared 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.

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. Our nursery is available for children 4 and
under. The nursery is down the hall from the Narthex and to the
right.

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

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, 28 Charlotte James, 31 Mary Frances Gibbs

Children's Chapel

Sunday, October 6th - Pastor Caroline & Susan Sapp
Sunday, October 13th - Crystal Darden & Roslyn Wingett

Deacon of the Month: Linda Moore

Deacon of the month assists other deacons with visitation.

Grace Network Oct.-Dec. 2024 Food Assignment:

Applesauce (24-32 oz)

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

Announcements

Patrick Henry Elementary Food Pantry Reminder

Patrick Henry Elementary School will be providing food bags for students who need extra food over the weekends. A list of items can be found on the bulletin board outside the church office. Please place any of the items in the box marked "PHE" in Room 103.

WMU October Mission Action Project

WMU will be collecting monetary donations for God's Pit Crew. These donations will be sent to God's Pit Crew for them to purchase essential items that are needed for areas that were struck by Hurricane Helene. Please make checks payable to First Baptist Church and write God's Pit Crew in the memo line.

Henry Co. Food Pantry, October 12th

10:00 a.m. - 12:00p.m.

We will be assisting with food box packing. Wear FBC t-shirt and join us for this mission opportunity! Please sign up by calling or emailing the church office. The Food Pantry is located at 3321 Fairystone Parkway in Bassett, Va. in the Riverwalk Mini Mall.

Henry Co. Baptist Association Annual Meeting

October 15, 2024 at Oak Level Baptist Church

The Annual Henry County Baptist Association Meeting will be Tuesday, October 15th at Oak Level Baptist Church. Registration begins at 4:30 p.m. and the meeting starts at 6:00 p.m.

Pastor Search Committee Congregational Survey

As we continue the process of seeking a new pastor for our church, the Pastor Search Committee is committed to ensuring that this process is as inclusive and thoughtful as possible. Please complete and return the Pastor Profile Survey by Thursday, October 16 either online, mail, or in person. Copies will be available in the church office. Please let us know if you need one mailed to you.

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 us at: info@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 us at info@fbcmartinsville.com or 276-632-6336 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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*Hymn 103 *Ye Servants of God, Your Master* HANOVER

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad his wonderful name;
the name all victorious of Jesus extol;
his kingdom is glorious he rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;
And still he is nigh— his presence we have;
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,
Ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

“Salvation to God who sits on the throne!”
Let all cry aloud and honor the Son:
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
Fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore and give him his right,
all glory and power, all wisdom and might:
all honor and blessing, with angels above,
and thanks never ceasing, and infinite love.

*Hymn 426 *Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service* BEACH SPRING

Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy’s perfect deed:
we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart,
consecrating to your purpose every gift which you impart.

Still your children wander homeless, still the hungry cry for bread;
Still the captives long for freedom, still in grief we mourn our dead,
As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul,
By your Spirit send your power to our world to make it whole.

As we worship, grant us vision, till your love’s revealing light
in its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened
sight, making known the needs and burdens your compassion bids
us bear, stirring us to ardent service, your abundant life to share.

Called by worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go,
to the child, the youth, the aged, love in loving deeds to show;
hope and health, good will and comfort,
counsel, aid and peace we give, that your servants, Lord, in freedom
may your mercy know and live.

*Song of Response

Hymn 774 *Bread of the World in Mercy Broken* WAYFARING STRANGER

Bread of the world in mercy broken,
wine of the soul in mercy shed,
By whom the words of life were spoken,
and in whose death our sins are dead:
look on the heart by sorrow broken,
look on the tears by sinners shed;
and be your feast to us the token that
by your grace our souls are fed!

Opportunities for the Week

Sunday, October 6

8:45 a.m. Deacons Meeting-Fellowship Hall
9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School-Rm 105-107/Zoom
10:30 a.m. Worship-Sanctuary/Online

Monday, October 7

10:00 a.m. WMU Meeting-Rm. 105
6:00 p.m. Still Water-Choir Room
7:00 p.m. Smith River Singers-Sanctuary

Tuesday, October 8

8:45 a.m. Children’s Chapel-Classrooms
4:30 p.m. School Age Music-Music Room
5:15 p.m. Family Game Night-Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, October 9

10:00 a.m. Library Committee-Library
2:00 p.m. Communion at King’s Grant-Chapel

Thursday, October 10

10:00 a.m. Bible Study-Rm. 105 /1 Samuel
11:00 a.m. ELC Music-Music Room
4:15 p.m. School Age Chapel-Sanctuary
5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room

Saturday, October 12

10:00 a.m. Henry Co. Food Pantry-Bassett