# *A Service of Worship*

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

October 18, 2026 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.*

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## Gathering for Worship

Welcome — Rev. Dr. Mike Hatfield

Prelude — *Candler* — arr. Mark Dorian
John Fulcher, piano

Call to Worship — Dr. Hatfield

Leader: All that we have is the Lord's. The earth is his — oceans and mountains, sun and rain — life itself.

**People: All that we are comes from God and, as his people, we are shaped by the working of his Holy Spirit among us.**

Leader: All that we give is the Lord's. We are only stewards, returning what is rightfully his.

**People: In giving us himself through his Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, we are rich beyond measure.**

Leader: Let us worship the Lord, whose children we are.

Invocation — Dr. Hatfield

*Hymn 108 — *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* — MADRID

## Hearing the Scriptures

Old Testament Reading — Exodus 33:12-23 — Merle Prince
The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading — Matthew 22:15-22
The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Worship — Dr. Mike

## Committing Our Lives

*Hymn 586 — *Teach Me Thy Way , O Lord* — CAMACHA

*Please stand as you are able

Prayer of Commitment & Lord's Prayer — Dr. Hatfield

**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.**

+*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 — *Psalm 139* — Pote

Sermon — *Whose Image Should We Carry?* — Dr. Hatfield

## Responding to God

*Song of Response

Hymn 568 *Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated* HENDON

*Benediction — Dr. Hatfield

*God, as we go forth today, let our works proclaim our faith. Let all that we do — our work and our rest — be to the glory of the One who has created us to bear his image. May all that we say and do point to you and be evidence of the hope that we have. Amen.*

Postlude — *It Is Well with My Soul* — arr. Hugh Livingston

*A musical reflection on our worship of God today.*

***As we depart, we go into the world to serve to the glory of Jesus Christ.***

***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.*

**The Rose on the Lord's Table** is in honor of Sullivan Miles Turner, born on October 5, 2026. The proud parents are Hayley & Logan Turner and grandparents are Crystal and Gary Darden.

**+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*.

**Nursery & Children's Chapel**
Our nursery is available for children seven and under.
The nursery is down the hall from the Narthex and to the right.

**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 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 #, #

## Reminders

**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, Ayden Brannock

**Prayers for our Church Family:** John Burgess, Mary Clifton, Martha Drane, Ann D. Draper, Baxter Jennings, Imogene McMillan, Betty Prillaman, Shirley Reeves, Shirley Roark, Benny Shires, Yvonne Turner

**Deacon of the Month: Ruth Anne Collins**
Ruth Anne will assist other deacons with visitations as needed.

**Grace Network Oct.- Dec. 2026 Food Assignment: Green Peas**
Please leave food in the box labeled Grace Network in Room 105-107.

**Patrick Henry Food Pantry**
A church wide mission project will continue again this school year for Patrick Henry Elementary School. The school provides food bags for students who need extra food over the weekends. Please place all items in the box labeled Patrick Henry Food Pantry in Room 107.

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| Single Serve Cereal | Applesauce | Pancake Mix (eggless) |
| Instant Oatmeal | Dried Fruit | Mac & Cheese |
| Granola Bars | Crackers | Soup |
| Canned/Packet meats | Juice/Shelf Milk | Canned Pasta w/Sauce |

**Piano Recital- November 15th at 3:00 p.m.**
**FBC Sanctuary**
Katya Kramer, American pianist will present
" *Romantic Favorites: An Afternoon at the Piano*".

## Opportunities for the Week

**Sunday, October 18**
9:30 a.m. Sunday School-Rm. 105/Zoom
11:00 a.m. Worship-Sanctuary/Online

**Monday, October 19**
6:00 p.m. Still Water Group-Choir Room
7:00 p.m. Smith River Singers-Sanctuary

**Tuesday, October 20**
10:30 a.m. Administrative Staff Meeting-Rm. 105
5:00 p.m. Business & Finance Committee-Rm. 105

**Thursday, October 22**
10:00 a.m. Bible Study-Esther-Rm 105/Zoom
5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal- Choir Room

## Announcements

**Business Meeting Agenda, October 25th at 12:15 p.m.**
**Fellowship Hall**
1. Approval of the Minutes, 2. Financial Report, 3. Committee Reports, 4. Present and vote on the 2027 Proposed Budget, 5 Present and vote on a Personnel Manual Change, 6. Present and vote on Associate Pastor Job Description, 7. Present and vote on the Covenant Agreement for Associate Pastor.

**WMU Mission Action for October & November**
WMU will be collecting items for the Shower Ministry Uptown. Items wanted are bath towels, socks, and pick-up breakfast items. Please place all items in the basket in room 105-107.

**Grace Network's Annual Pumpkin Patch Fundraiser**
FBC will be working in the Pumpkin Patch on Friday, October 30th from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. The last day to get your pumpkins will be October 31st from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Trunk-or-Treat – CHBC Parking Lot**
**October 31st from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**
First Baptist will join with Chatham Heights to hold a Trunk-or-Treat event Halloween night. We need volunteers to decorate their cars and hand out candy as well as candy donations if you are unable to decorate a car. Let the church office know if you can decorate a car or drop off your candy donations to the church office.

**Mark Your Calendars for November Events!**

1st – All Saints Sunday
9th- BGAV Annual Meeting- VA Beach
15th - Piano Recital- Sanctuary
22nd- Combined Worship Service and Lunch with CHBC
23rd -25th – Decorate the church for Christmas!
26th -27th – Office & ELC Closed for Thanksgiving.
29th – First Sunday of Advent

## Welcome to First Baptist Church!

**We are #yourcitychurch in Martinsville…**

**Coming together with 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.

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## 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.

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, contact us at *info.fbcmartinsville.com, (276) 632-6336, mike@fbcmartinsville.com or his cell (276) 340-7550.*

*Our doors are always open. Come see what God is doing and serve among us as we worship in Christ's name.*

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## Season After Pentecost

*Hymn 108 *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* MADRID

Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!
loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!
Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;
praise is his gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!
let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!
He is our guide and friend, to us he'll condescend;
his love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again; Alleluia! Amen!
life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven’s blissful shore, his goodness we’ll adore,
singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"

*Hymn 586 *Teach Me Thy Way , O Lord* CAMACHA

Teach me thy way, O Lord, teach me thy way!
Thy guiding grace afford–teach me thy way!
Help me to walk aright, more by faith, less by sight;
lead me with heavenly light, teach me thy way!

When I am sad at heart, teach me thy way!
When earthly joys depart, teach me thy way!
in hours of loneliness, in times of dire distress,
in failure or success, teach me thy way!

When doubts and fears arise, teach me thy way!
When storm clouds fill the skies, teach me thy way!
Shine through the wind and rain, through sorrow, grief and pain;
make now my pathway plain, teach me thy way!

Long as my life shall last, teach me thy way!
Wher-e’r my lot be cast, teach me thy way!
Until the race is run, until the journey’s done,
until the crown is won, teach me thy way!

*Song of Response

Hymn 568 *Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated*
HENDON

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love,
at the impulse of thy love.

Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee;
take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King,
always, only, for my King.

Take my lips and let them be filled with messages for thee;
take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold,
not a mite would I withhold.

Take my love, my God, I pour at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself and I will be ever, only, all for thee,
ever only, all for thee.