

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

June 24, 2018 ✠ 11:00 am

✠ *The Season of the Church Year: The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost*

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS

Rev. Dr. Trey Gilliam

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PASTORAL SENTENCES

Dr. Gilliam

ORGAN PRELUDE

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

arr. Diane Bish

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES AND OPENING OF THE BIBLE

Mr. Walt Pierce and Dempsey, Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP

Based on Psalm 23

Rev. Ronald McSwain

From the harp of David comes a hymn of faith,  
**The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.**

From the hillside where David would spend hours watching the sheep graze,  
**He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
He leadeth me beside the still waters.**

From moments of confronting Goliath,  
to fleeing from King Saul who had put a price on his head.  
**Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;  
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.**

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:  
**Thou anointest my head with oil;  
my cup runneth over.**

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.  
**Gathered for worship,  
let us dwell in the presence of Almighty God.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Rev. McSwain

+HYMN OF PRAISE 319 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

LOBE DEN HERREN

CHILDREN'S TIME & BLESSING

Rev. Thompson

People of God, what is your prayer for these children?

**Our prayer is that they grow up to be like Jesus—strong and brave,  
full of grace and truth, and that we will help them.**

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NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Mark 4:35-41

Mrs. Betsy McSwain

In Pew Bible, page 47 of New Testament

This is the word of God for the people of God;  
**Thanks be to God.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Thompson

ANTHEM

*He Hideth My Soul*

arr. Brad Nix

The Vocal Ensemble

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Rev. Thompson

With calming words, with a peaceful Spirit, with overflowing love and hope,  
our God forgives us and fills us with faith.  
**Our God affirms us for who we are—those whose brokenness is made whole,  
whose sin is forgiven, whose lives overflow with faith. Thanks be to God!**

+HYMN 618

*Love Lifted Me*

SAFETY

+OFFERTORY PRAYER

Mrs. McSwain

OFFERTORY

*O God, Beyond All Praising*

arr. Anna Laura Page

+DOXOLOGY

OLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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OLD TESTAMENT LESSON 1 Samuel 17:32-49

Dr. Gilliam

In Pew Bible, page 324 of Old Testament

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PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER Dr. Gilliam

. . . Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

SERMON *A Divine Confidence* Dr. Gilliam

INVITATION

*It is our tradition to offer a time or response near the end of worship. A response may take the shape of a profession of faith in Jesus Christ and desire to be baptized, a request for church membership, or the sharing of a prayer concern or praise which may be communicated with the congregation or safely kept between the sharer and minister. Please respond as you feel led during the Hymn of Response.*

+HYMN OF RESPONSE 590 *The Solid Rock* SOLID ROCK

+BENEDICTION Dr. Gilliam

+CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

+POSTLUDE *Toccata in Seven* John Rutter

+Those who are able are invited to stand.

*Today's Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Spencer and Dolores Matthews.*

*We give thanks for those caring for our young ones today in Extended Session while we worship:  
Babies – Age 2: Ernie & Austine Evans, Bess Leary, Susan Keel, and Angela Kinlaw  
Age 3 – Kindergarten: James & Eva Early*



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OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Anita D. Thompson  
*Associate Pastor*

Rev. Dr. Paul R. Gilliam III (Trey)  
*Pastor*

Mrs. Elizabeth Villegas  
*Minister to Youth & Children*

Mr. W. Bland Baker  
*Music Associate*

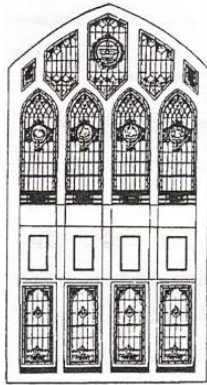
Rev. Dr. Jesse J. Croom  
*Pastor Emeritus*

Mr. James H. Hyatt III  
*Music Associate*

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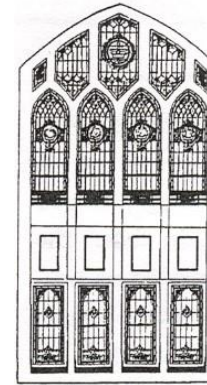
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