

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

April 7, 2019 ✕ 11:00 am

✕ *The Season of the Church Year: The Sixth Sunday in Lent*

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS Rev. Anita Thompson

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PASTORAL SENTENCES Rev. Dr. Trey Gilliam

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 121 Mr. Andy Woodard

I lift up my eyes to the mountains—where does my help come from?

**Our help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.**

He will not let your foot slip—he who watches over you will not slumber;  
indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

**The LORD watches over us—the LORD is our shade at our right hand;  
the sun will not harm us by day, nor the moon by night.**

The LORD will keep you from all harm—he will watch over your life;

**the LORD will watch over our coming and going both now and forevermore.**

INTROIT *We See the Mountains Lifted High Before Us* arr. Hal. H. Hopson  
Based on Psalm 121

PRAYER OF INVOCATION Mr. Woodard

+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 Philippians 3:4b-14 Miss Judy G. Pierce  
In Pew Bible, page 242 of New Testament

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

PASTORAL PRAYER Dr. Gilliam

+HYMN 186 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* HAMBURG

+OFFERTORY PRAYER Miss Pierce

OFFERTORY

+LENTEN DOXOLOGY – Hymn 377 GREEN

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son;

Blessed Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son,

And leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done. Amen.

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OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 43:16-21 Dr. Gilliam

In Pew Bible, page 823 of Old Testament

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PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Dr. Gilliam

SERMON *Get Excited!* Dr. Gilliam

THE LORD'S SUPPER

. . . 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.

INVITATION

*It is our tradition to offer a time of 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 37 *God, Our Father, You Have Led Us* CWM RHONDDA

+BENEDICTION Dr. Gilliam

+LENTEN RESPONSE

arr. Mark Edwards

Jesus, keep me near the cross, there a precious fountain,  
Free to all, a healing stream, flows from Calv'ry's mountain.  
In the cross, in the cross be my glory ever,  
Till my ransomed soul shall find rest beyond the river.

+CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

*As the chimes strike three times—in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—our corporate worship ends, and our opportunity begins to be the presence of Christ in the world, through the power of the Holy Spirit.*

+POSTLUDE

+Those who are able are invited to stand.

*Today's Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Betty Duke in love & appreciation to Trey, Lou Ann & Matty Grace Gilliam.*

*We give thanks for those caring for our young ones today in Extended Session while we worship:*

Babies: Jenni Byrd & Betty Cooper  
Ages 1 & 2: Michelle Boyd & Nancy Cobbs  
Age 3 – Kindergarten: Nancy Perry & Mary Page Pierce  
Floater: Cheryl Slachta

*We welcome Timothy Pierce as our guest organist today.*



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OUR MINISTRY TEAM

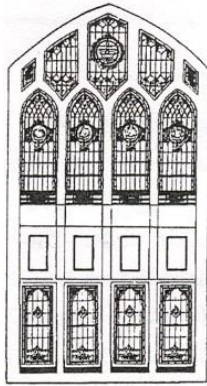
Rev. Anita D. Thompson    Rev. Dr. Paul R. Gilliam III (Trey)  
Associate Pastor                      Pastor  
Mr. W. Bland Baker  
Music Associate

Mrs. Elizabeth Villegas  
Minister to Youth & Children  
Rev. Dr. Jesse J. Croom  
Pastor Emeritus

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# A Window on the Weeks Ahead

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First Baptist Church of Ahoskie, NC

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## ☒ Weekly Wednesday Night Meal & Ministries

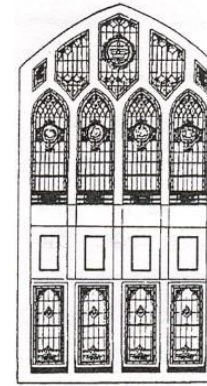
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- 5:00—5:45 pm Women's Young Adult Bible Study  
Children's Music & Missions:  
*Ages 3-Kindergarten, Room 105; Grades 1-5, Choir Room*
- 5:45—6:15 pm Children Eat Supper, Fellowship Hall  
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- 6:00—7:00 pm Adult Bible Study, Sanctuary
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