

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

June 2, 2019 ✠ 11:00 am

✠ *The Season of the Church Year: Ascension Sunday*

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS Rev. Anita Thompson

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PASTORAL SENTENCES Rev. Dr. Trey Gilliam

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES AND OPENING OF THE BIBLE
Mr. Pate & Miss Liza Pierce, Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP Mr. Don Joyner

We have been called by God,
to give God our hearts.
We have been called by God,
to show God's love to all.
We have been called by God,
to be God's disciples in the world.
We have been called by God.
Now we respond in worship.

INTROIT *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* arr. Craig Courtney
The Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER OF INVOCATION Mr. Joyner

+HYMN OF PRAISE 344 *Glorious Is Thy Name* GLORIOUS NAME
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CHILDREN'S TIME Rev. Anita Thompson & Dr. Gilliam
Child Dedication Elizabeth McClain Pierce
See Insert

CHILDREN'S 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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OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 111 Mrs. Austine Evans
In Pew Bible, page 691 of Old Testament

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

PASTORAL PRAYER Dr. Gilliam

+HYMN 159 *Fairest Lord Jesus* ST. ELIZABETH

+OFFERTORY PRAYER Mrs. Evans

OFFERTORY

+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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NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 1:1-11 Dr. Gilliam
In Pew Bible, page 143 of New Testament

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PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Dr. Gilliam

SERMON *What Happens Now?* Dr. Gilliam

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 235 *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

TRENTHAM

+BENEDICTION

Dr. Gilliam

+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 by Doug & Nancy Cobbs to the glory of God, and in memory and honor of our parents, Mr. & Mrs. Von Cobbs, and Mr. & Mrs. Fred A. Baker.

We welcome Tyler Schodt as our guest organist today. Tyler is a senior music major at East Carolina University and is a student of Andrew Scanlon (organ) and Kwan Yi (piano). Tyler is originally from Wake Forest, North Carolina, and has served as a substitute musician in several area churches.

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*

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

Ascension Sunday



As the disciples were watching, Jesus was lifted up, and a cloud took Him out of their sight. – Acts 1:10

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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Statements of Commitment Rev. Thompson

Walt & Mary Page, do you publicly recommit yourselves to our Lord Jesus Christ, whose death on the cross cleansed you from all sin and whose life through the resurrection prepared the way for your eternal life?
We do.

Do you also recommit yourselves to your marriage, understanding that the best gift parents can give children is a healthy marriage and a loving home?
We do.

Do you dedicate Libby to the Lord by committing yourselves to raise your daughter in the Christian faith; bringing her to church, leading her in prayer, and reading to her the scriptures, in order that she may also come to follow Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord?
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Do you, the members of this congregation, accept the responsibility, together with these parents, to teach and nurture Libby in the Christian faith so that she may be brought into full maturity of faith in Jesus Christ?
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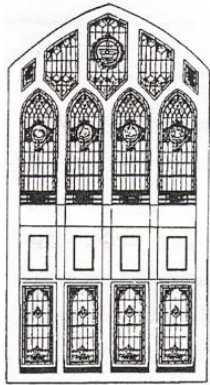
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5:00—6:00 pm Dinner in Fellowship Hall – chicken & pastry, yams, snaps, a dessert & tea.

\$8 suggested donation per person; children age 5 & younger eat free.

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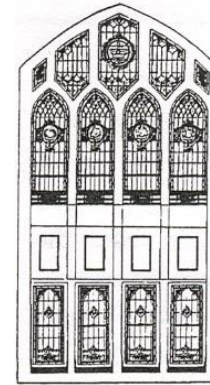
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