

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

June 23, 2019 ✠ 11:00 am

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

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS Rev. Anita Thompson

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PASTORAL SENTENCES Rev. Thompson

ORGAN PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES AND OPENING OF THE BIBLE
Miss Sophia Byrd & Miss Lanie Byrum, Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP Mr. Stuart Pierce
God the Creator is in this place.
The love of God is with us.
Jesus our Redeemer is in this place.
The grace of our Lord is with us.
The Holy Spirit is in this place.
The communion of the Spirit is with us.
We welcome the fullness of God's presence.
**God the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer
be with us now and forever. Amen.**

INTROIT *Sweet, Sweet Spirit* arr. Joel Raney
The Vocal Ensemble

PRAYER OF INVOCATION Mr. Pierce

+HYMN OF PRAISE 2 *Come, Thou Almighty King* ITALIAN HYMN
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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.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 42 Mrs. Peggy Springfield
In Pew Bible, page 633 of Old Testament
This is the word of God for the people of God;
Thanks be to God.

SOLO *As the Deer* arr. Lloyd Larson
Danny Vancil, Soloist

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Thompson

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS Rev. Thompson
The faithfulness of God is stronger than our doubt.
The compassion of Christ is stronger than our guilt.
The Spirit of love surrounds us here and now to make us whole.
Through Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

+HYMN 364 *I Love Thee* I LOVE THEE
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+OFFERTORY PRAYER Mrs. Springfield

ORGAN 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 John 12:1-11 Mrs. Lou Ann Gilliam
In Pew Bible, page 129 of New Testament
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SERMON

Touching Jesus

Mrs. 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 365 *More Love to Thee, O Christ* MORE LOVE TO THEE

+BENEDICTION

+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.

+ ORGAN POSTLUDE

+Those who are able are invited to stand.

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

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

*Babies: Austine Evans & Sandra Pierce
Ages 1 & 2: Jessica Brinkley & Georgia Copeland
Age 3 – Kindergarten: James & Eva Early
Floater: Judy H. Pierce*

OUR MINISTRY TEAM

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

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

*Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard,
anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair.*

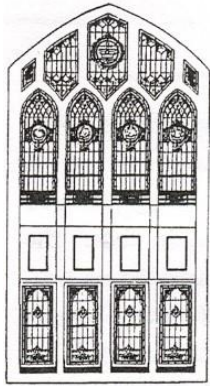
- John 12:3



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The First Baptist Church of Ahoskie is a Cooperative Baptist Fellowship congregation.



A Window on the Weeks Ahead

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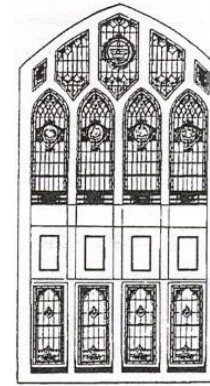
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