

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

July 21, 2019 ✠ 11:00 am

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

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS

Rev. Anita Thompson

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PASTORAL SENTENCES

Rev. Dr. Trey Gilliam

ORGAN PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES AND OPENING OF THE BIBLE

Miss Lily Ann Brinkley & Miss Avery Byrum, Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mrs. Jamie Burns

We gather as God's people:  
**to seek direction in the living of our lives.**

We gather as God's people:  
**to be still and hear what God would have us do.**

We gather as God's people:  
**to be renewed, restored and recreated.**

We rejoice in this truth:  
**We are God's people who are called to serve, to love, and to sing God's praise.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Mrs. Burns

+HYMN OF PRAISE 310 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

HYMN TO JOY

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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.**

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NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Matthew 6:25b-33

In Pew Bible, page 7 of New Testament

This is the word of God for the people of God;

**Thanks be to God.**

Mr. Bill Magette

PASTORAL PRAYER

Dr. Gilliam

+HYMN 48

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

FAITHFULNESS

+OFFERTORY PRAYER

Mr. Magette

OFFERTORY

*His Eye Is on the Sparrow*  
The Vocal Ensemble

arr. Jack Schrader

+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 Esther 4:1-5, 9-14

In Pew Bible, page 552 of Old Testament

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Dr. Gilliam

SERMON

*You*

Dr. Gilliam

*At the conclusion of the sermon, we will observe a time of silence to reflect on all that has  
been experienced while we've worshiped together.*

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 485 *The Master Has Come*

ASH GROVE

+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.*

+ ORGAN POSTLUDE

+Those who are able are invited to stand.

*Today's Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Mr. & Mrs. Trey Byrum.*

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

*Babies: Kari Pierce & Taylor F. Rose*  
*Ages 1 & 2: Susan Early & JoAnn Herring*  
*Age 3 – Kindergarten: Alex & Sarah Grace Britton*  
*Floater: Melanie Byrum*



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OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Anita D. Thompson  
*Associate Pastor*

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

Rev. Elizabeth Villegas  
*Minister to Youth & Children*

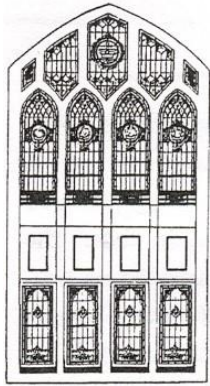
Mr. W. Bland Baker  
*Music Associate*

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

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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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First Baptist Church of Ahoskie, NC

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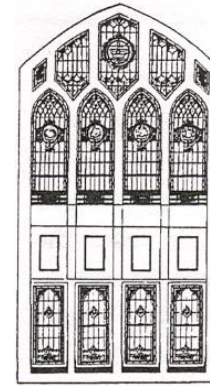
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