

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

November 22, 2020 ✕ 11:00 am

✕ *The Season of the Church Year: Christ the King Sunday*

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS Rev. Anita Thompson

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PASTORAL SENTENCES Rev. Dr. Trey Gilliam

PIANO PRELUDE *Joyful, Joyful* arr. Lori Line

CALL TO WORSHIP Mrs. Penny Rose

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness;
come into His presence with singing.
Know that the Lord is God.
**It is He that made us, and we are His;
we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.**
Enter His gates with thanksgiving,
and His courts with praise.
Give thanks to Him, bless His name.
**For the Lord is good;
His steadfast love endures forever,
and His faithfulness to all generations.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION Mrs. Rose

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 Philippians 4:5-14 Dr. Gilliam

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

SERMON *God of Peace* Dr. Gilliam

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

SOLO

Wonderful Peace
Vicky Overman, Soloist

Words: Warren D. Cornell
Music: William G. Cooper

Far away in the depths of my spirit today
Rolls a melody sweeter than psalm;
In celestial-like strains it unceasingly falls
O'er my soul like an infinite calm.

*Refrain: Peace, peace! wonderful peace,
Coming down from the Father above,
Sweep over my spirit forever, I pray,
In fathomless billows of love.*

What a treasure I have in this wonderful peace
Buried deep in the heart of my soul,
So secure that no power can mine it away
While the years of eternity roll. *Refrain*

And I think when I rise to that city of peace
Where the Author of peace I shall see,
That one strain of the song which the ransomed will sing
In that heavenly kingdom shall be: *Refrain*

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+LITANY FOR THE OFFERING

Rev. Thompson

As we worship God with our offerings, this is our prayer:

**You are the God who creates us,
the Christ who redeems us,
the Spirit who fills us with hope.**

**May we and our gifts be instruments of Your purposes here on earth.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

+DOXOLOGY

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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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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 409

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

CONVERSE

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit, oh, what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer!

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge – take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do thy friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In His arms He'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a solace there.

+BENEDICTION

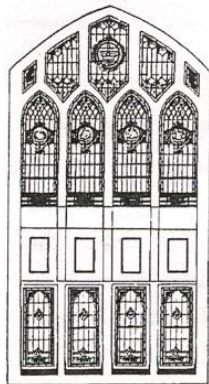
Dr. Gilliam

+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.



A Window on the Weeks Ahead

November 22, 2020

First Baptist Church of Ahoskie, NC

✦ Worship Notes

Today is Christ the King Sunday, the last Sunday in the 2019-2020 Christian Year. Next Sunday, November 29, we begin the Christian Year anew with the Season of Advent.

The flowers for today's worship service are given to the glory of God by members of our Worship Decorating Committee.

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✦ 2021 Church Budget

Just prior to the start of worship today, we will vote on the proposed 2021 budget.

✘ Wednesday Activities This Week – November 25

It is our tradition not to have any activities on the Wednesday evening before Thanksgiving.

✘ Online Giving Now Available

... on our church website (www.fbcahoskie.org) and on our church Facebook page.

✘ Make Your Reservation for In-Person Worship

If you would like to participate in Sunday worship, please make your reservation by calling the church office (252) 332-4003 or emailing Anita Thompson at anita@fbcahoskie.org by 5:00 pm each Friday. A firm number is needed to ensure appropriate safety measures are in place.

Nursery Needed for Your Family? When you reserve your place for worship, also reserve a nursery spot: 1-2 year old class and 3-5 year old class. We will not use the 2020-2021 Extended Session schedule yet; therefore, we need 2 to 4 volunteers each Sunday. We also need two volunteers to take temperatures and two volunteers to greet. Please let the church office know if you can help.

✘ Food Pantry Volunteers Needed

Our church is responsible for staffing the Ahoskie food pantry every Friday. Since some of our volunteers can no longer serve due to aging issues or illness, we are in need of more volunteers.

Volunteers may serve monthly or bi-monthly. Besides distributing food boxes to clients at the food pantry, responsibilities include arrival at 9:15 am, recording temperatures in refrigerators and freezers, shelving food items, and preparing boxes for clients.

The food pantry serves clients Monday through Friday from 9:30 am to 12 noon. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Vicky Overman, FBC food pantry coordinator, at 396-5729.

*Also, the **Backpack Ministry** of the food pantry is in need of volunteers to gather as needed to pack lunch backpacks for students in the Hertford County school system. Currently, under pandemic conditions, 75 backpacks are picked up each week by school personnel. If you would like to volunteer for this ministry, please contact Margaret Winn at (252) 209-1495.*

OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Anita D. Thompson
Associate Pastor

Mr. W. Bland Baker
Music Associate/Pianist

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

Rev. Dr. Jesse J. Croom
Pastor Emeritus

Miss Bridget Deveney
Music Associate/Organist



In nothing be anxious, but in everything,
by prayer and petition with thanksgiving,
let your requests be made known to God.

And the **PEACE**
OF GOD

which surpasses all understanding, will
guard your hearts and your thoughts in

Christ Jesus

PHILIPPIANS 4:6-7

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