



Joseph said to his father, 'They are my sons, whom God has given me here.' Israel said to Joseph, 'I never expected to see your face, and behold, God has let me see your children as well.'

– Genesis 48:9,11



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

September 27, 2020 ✕ 11:00 am

✕ *The Season of the Church Year: The 17th Sunday after Pentecost*

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS

Rev. Dr. Trey Gilliam

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PASTORAL SENTENCES

Dr. Gilliam

PIANO PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Based on Psalm 119

Mr. Justice Zoch

Happy are those who walk in God's ways.

Blessed are those who observe God's commandments.

We gather to worship God, whose promises stand firm forever.

Faithful are those whose eyes are fixed on righteousness.

Joyful are those whose hearts are filled with praise.

We gather to worship God, whose promises stand firm forever.

Come, let us love the Lord our God.

Let us worship the One who leads us in the ways of life.

We gather to worship God, whose promises stand firm forever.

INTROIT

Standing on the Promises
Vicky Overman & Jim Wiggins

arr. Mark Edwards

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Miss Reagan Zoch

+HYMN OF PRAISE 349

To God Be the Glory
See pages 3 & 4.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

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CHILDREN'S TIME & BLESSING

Rev. Anita 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

Genesis 48:1-2, 8-12

Dr. Gilliam

In Pew Bible, page 56 of Old Testament

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

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

A Good Word

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.*

+HYMN 280

Speak, O Lord
See pages 5 & 6.

SPEAK, O LORD

+OFFERTORY PRAYER

Mrs. Lou Ann Gilliam

PIANO 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

Ephesians 3:14-21

Mrs. Gretchen Zoch

In Pew Bible, page 236 of New Testament

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

Thanks be to God.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Thompson

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Rev. Thompson

May Christ “dwell in your hearts through faith,
as you are being rooted and grounded in love.
And may you have the power to comprehend, with all the saints,
what is the breadth and length and height and depth,
and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge,
so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.” (*Ephesians 3:17-19*)
With that fullness, God forgives our sin.
Thanks be to God.

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

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!
See page 7.

DARWALL'S 148TH

+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.

+PIANO POSTLUDE

+Those who are able are invited to stand.

Today's altar flowers are given by Rick & Jamie Burns, to the glory of God, and in honor of the ministers & staff of FBC Ahoskie.

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To God Be the Glory

The musical score is written for a piano, featuring a treble and bass staff. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat), and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is primarily in the treble staff, with chords and bass lines in the bass staff. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff.

1. To God be the glo - ry, great things He hath done; so loved He the
2. O per - fect re - demp-tion, the pur-chase of blood, to ev - ery be-
3. Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done, and great our re-

world that He gave us His Son, who yield - ed His life an a -
 liev - er the prom - ise of God; the vil - est of - fend - er who
 joic - ing through Je - sus the Son; but pur - er, and high - er, and

tone - ment for sin, and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.
 tru - ly be - lieves, that mo - ment from Je - sus a par - don re - ceives.
 great - er will be our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice! Praise the Lord,

praise the Lord, let the peo - ple re - joice! O come to the Fa - ther, through

Je - sus the Son, and give Him the glo - ry, great things He hath done.

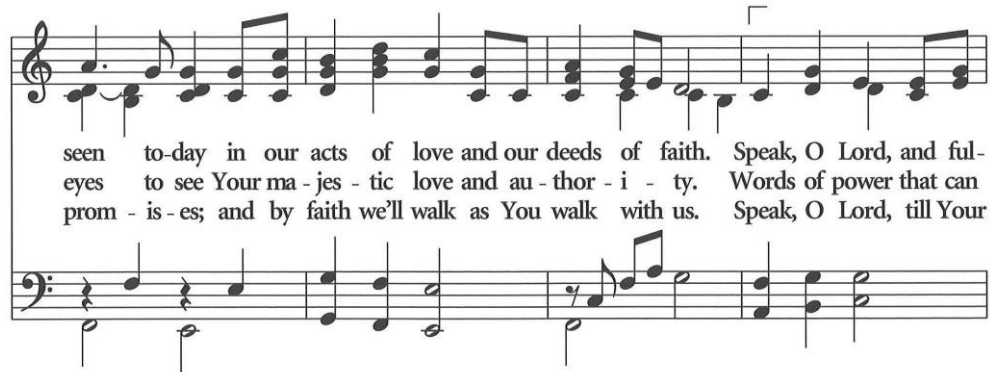
Speak, O Lord

Unison

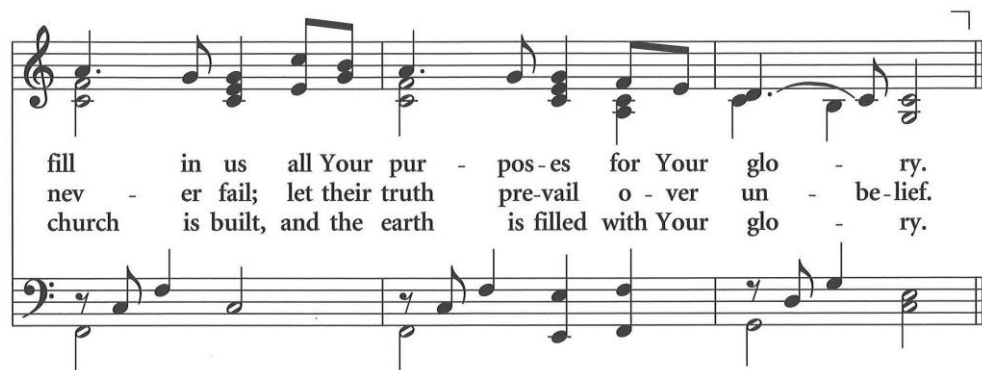
1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to re-ceive the food of Your
 2. Teach us, Lord, full o - be - di - ence, ho - ly rev - er - ence, true hu -
 3. Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; help us grasp the heights of Your

Ho - ly Word. Take Your Truth, plant it deep in us; shape and
 mil - i - ty. Test our thoughts and our at - ti-tudes in the
 plans for us. Truths un - changed from the dawn of time that will

fash - ion us in Your like - ness; that the light of Christ might be
 ra - di-ance of Your pur - i - ty. Cause our faith to rise, cause our
 ech - o down through e - ter - ni - ty. And by grace we'll stand on Your



seen to-day in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and ful-
 eyes to see Your ma-jes-tic love and au-thor-i-ty. Words of power that can
 prom-is-es; and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till Your



fill in us all Your pur-pos-es for Your glo-ry.
 nev-er fail; let their truth pre-vail o-ver un-be-lief.
 church is built, and the earth is filled with Your glo-ry.

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

1 Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!
2 Long years have come and gone, and still God reigns su - preme,
3 Let cour - age be our friend; let wis - dom be our guide,
4 Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!

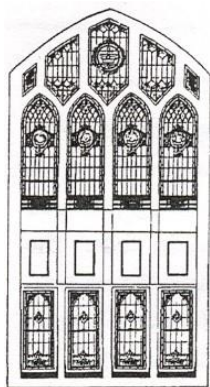
The first system of the hymn features a treble and bass staff in 4/4 time. The melody is in G major, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are arranged in four lines, with the first and fourth lines being identical. The music consists of eighth and quarter notes, with a repeat sign at the end of the first line.

For Christ the Lord has led us through the a - ges long!
em - power - ing us to catch the vi - sion, dream the dream!
as we in mis - sion mag - ni - fy the Cru - ci - fied!
For Christ the Lord has tri - umphed o'er the a - ges long!

The second system continues the melody in G major. The lyrics are arranged in four lines. The music consists of eighth and quarter notes, with a repeat sign at the end of the first line.

In bold ac - cord, come cel - e - brate the jour - ney now and praise the Lord!

The third system concludes the hymn. The lyrics are arranged in one line. The music consists of eighth and quarter notes, with a final double bar line.



A Window on the Weeks Ahead

September 27, 2020

First Baptist Church of Ahoskie, NC

✦ Worship Notes

Due to the worldwide coronavirus pandemic, this worship service is led by a small group, and broadcast over the radio (FM 99.3), through our church website, and on Facebook live. FBC Ahoskie holds a copyright license (20520822 Size B) and a streaming license (20520815 Size B) with CCLI, account 1577531. We also hold a copyright license with One License, A-

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✦ In-Person Worship Plans

Today is our last Sunday worshipping in the fellowship hall. Next Sunday, October 4, we will return to our beautifully renovated sanctuary, and resume in-person worship under specific conditions. Those conditions may be found in this week's mailed newsletter which is posted on our website, and our Facebook page. We ask those who plan to gather on October 4, for worship, to call the church office and make reservations. We need to have a firm grasp on the number of families, and individuals, who plan to participate.

We will continue to live stream worship and, of course, broadcast over the radio. If you are not comfortable, or are at high risk for the virus, we encourage you to join in via Facebook live and/or the radio broadcast. If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to talk with Trey, Anita, or a member of church leadership.

✦ Deacon Nominations

It is almost the time of year to nominate deacons to serve a three-year term beginning January 2021. The church office is in the process of compiling a list of all eligible church members. If you are eligible, but prefer not to serve if nominated, please call the church office or email Heather Joyner at heather@fbcahoskie.org.

✦ In Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to Bridget Deveney, our Music Associate/Organist, in the September 20th death of her paternal grandmother, Mary "Betty" Deveney, of Fairport, NY.

✦ North Street House Need

We are looking for a church member who will volunteer to install a new ceiling fan at the North Street House. You schedule the day that works best for you. For more information, please contact Pat Byrd, 252-332-4122.

✦ Worship Flowers Schedule

During this time of sheltering in place, persons who have signed up to provide worship flowers have the option of observing our usual practice or using the lovely peace lily that one of our families provided. The choices have varied from Sunday to Sunday. At the appropriate time, please let the church office know of your preference. Here is the schedule for October.

Oct. 4 Sharon Roope

Oct. 11 Family of Mary Frances Johnson

Oct. 18 Henry & Pat Byrd

Oct. 25 Jim & Dana Wiggins