



The Worship of God ✦ May 1, 2022 ✦ The Third Sunday of Easter

## THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

312 West Main Street ♦ Post Office Box 649 ♦ Ahoskie, North Carolina 27910  
[www.fbcahoskie.org](http://www.fbcahoskie.org) ♦ (252) 332-4003 ♦ [office@fbcahoskie.org](mailto:office@fbcahoskie.org)

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

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

May 1, 2022 ✠ 11:00 AM

✠ *The Season of the Church Year: The Third Sunday of Easter*

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS

Rev. Anita Thompson

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PASTORAL SENTENCES

Rev. Dr. Paul R. Gilliam III

We gather not to be blessed, **but to bless.**  
We gather not to receive, **but to give.**  
We gather to bless God,  
**and to give thanks and praise to God**  
**for the life, ministry, death, resurrection,**  
**and coming again of Jesus the Christ.**  
Now let us worship together with zeal. **Amen.**

INTROIT

*This is the Day*  
Chairo

Keith Christopher

*Chairo is a transliteration of the Greek word, χαίρω, which means "to rejoice."*

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Mrs. Melissa Pasek

+HYMN OF PRAISE 345

*When Morning Gilds the Skies*

LAUDES DOMINI

✠ ✠ ✠

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    Isaiah 53:1-6

Mr. Bruce Pasek

In Pew Bible, page 836 of Old Testament

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

+HYMN 188

*"Man of Sorrows!" What a Name*

WHAT A SAVIOR

## +LITANY FOR THE OFFERING

Mr. Pasek

We thank You, O God, for the cross and the tomb,  
Easter's empty gifts that reveal the fullness of Your power and love.  
**May the gifts we dedicate,  
and the lives we lead,  
proclaim the Good News of the Risen Christ,  
in whose name we pray.  
Amen.**

## +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.

✠ ✠ ✠

## NEW TESTAMENT LESSON 1 Peter 2:21-25

Dr. Gilliam

In Pew Bible, page 283 of New Testament

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

## SERMON

*Good Behavior*

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.*

✠ ✠ ✠

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

. . . Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

✠ ✠ ✠

## 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 405     *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*     BRADBURY

+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

*Please be seated for the postlude.*

+Those who are able are invited to stand.

*Today's altar flowers are given by Dot Newsome and family, to the glory of God and in memory of Robert (Bob) T. Newsome.*

---

OUR MINISTRY TEAM

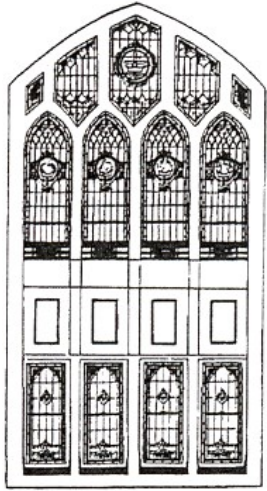
Rev. Anita D. Thompson  
*Associate Pastor*

Rev. Dr. Paul R.  
Gilliam III  
*Pastor*

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

Mrs. Leah Newsome  
*Music Associate/Pianist*

Miss Bridget Deveney  
*Music Associate/Organist*



# A Window on the Weeks Ahead

May 1, 2022

First Baptist Church of Ahoskie, NC

---

## ✠ Worship Notes

*Today marks the 14<sup>th</sup> day of our journey through the 50 days of Eastertide. On the 50<sup>th</sup> day, we observe Pentecost Sunday, a celebration of the gift of the Holy Spirit. Pentecost Sunday occurs on June 5<sup>th</sup>.*

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

Babies: Karen Daly & Lisa Outlaw

Ages 1 & 2: Bill & Debbie Magette

Age 3 – Kindergarten: Landis & Will Chamblee

## ✠ Green Space Dedication – 3:00 PM | Today

*This afternoon the church is invited to gather at our new Green Space on North Street at 3:00 PM for a time of dedication, fellowship, and fun.*

## ✠ Adult Bible Study – Wednesdays at 12 noon

*Wednesday noon lunch and Bible study continues this week, May 4, 2022. As this is a new adventure, we would like to have an idea of the number of people to expect. If you would like to participate, you may sign up by writing your name on the sign-up sheet posted on the hallway bulletin board, calling the church office at (252) 332-4003 or emailing Jessica Pyle at [jessica@fbcahoskie.org](mailto:jessica@fbcahoskie.org). Please do spread the word.*

## ✠ Children's Music & Missions End-of-Year Program – May 4, 2022

- 5:00 – 6:00 PM Regular Children's Music & Missions Gathering
- 6:00 – 6:45 PM Churchwide Meal in Fellowship Hall
- 6:45 PM End-of-Year Program in Sanctuary

## ✠ Youth Ministry- Summer 2022

### ▪ Passport Youth Camp

June 13 – 17 | Monday – Friday | Greensboro College | Greensboro, NC

Jamie Burns and Lou Ann Gilliam, Youth Ministry coordinators, will have more information soon.

## ✠ Children's Ministry- Summer 2022

### ▪Vacation Bible School

*The date has been set. We will hold Vacation Bible School, Monday through Thursday, July 25 – 28. Children age 3 (by 8-31-19) through completed grade 5 are invited to participate. Details are coming soon.*

## ✠ This Week's Calendar

### Today, May 1<sup>st</sup>

- 9:15 AM Chairo Rehearsal in Sanctuary
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship
- 2:00 PM *Celebrate Life* Rehearsal, Choir Room
- 3:00 PM Dedication of Green Space, North Street Lot

### Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>

- 3:00 PM Staff Meeting
- 5:45 PM Girl Scout Troop Meeting

### Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>

- 10:00 AM WMU Group 4

### Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>

- 10:30 AM Ahoskie Garden Club, Fellowship Hall
- 4:00 PM Junior Garden Club, Fellowship Hall
- 5:00 PM Children's Music & Missions
  - ♦Age 3 - Kindergarten, Room 105 ♦Grades 1 - 5, Choir Room
- 6:00 PM Churchwide Meal, Fellowship Hall
- 6:45 PM Children's M & M End of Year Program, Sanctuary
- 7:45 PM *Celebrate Life* Rehearsal, Choir Room

### Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup>

- 8:30 AM Christian Women's Job Corps

---

*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-609881.*