

The Worship of God ✦ July 10, 2022 ✦ The 5th Sunday after Pentecost

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

July 10, 2022 ✠ 11:00 AM

✠ *The Season of the Church Year: The 5th Sunday after Pentecost*

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.**

ORGAN PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES AND OPENING OF THE BIBLE

Miss Jane Hollingsworth, Acolyte

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalms 100

Mrs. Millie Britt

In Pew Bible, page 679 of Old Testament

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

INTROIT

Jubilate Deo (Rejoice in God)
The Vocal Ensemble

Jay Althouse

Jubilate Deo! Sing and rejoice!
Sing we now in great exultation. Sing we now in one vibrant voice.
Sing we now, let all nations hear us. Sing we now rejoice and sing!

Jubilate Deo! Sing and rejoice!
May the music bring us together. May our song bring peace evermore.
May our voices ring to the heavens. Let the music soar. We sing!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Miss Hollingsworth

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CHILDREN'S TIME & BLESSING Luke 10:25-37

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.**

+HYMN 656

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

CHEREPONI

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+LITANY FOR THE OFFERING

Mr. Scott Outlaw

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

**O God, who is the source of all good things,
we bring to You our gifts.**

**Enable us, along with our offerings,
to give You the love of our hearts
and the service of our lives.**

Through Christ our Lord. 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.

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NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Revelation 8:1-6

Dr. Gilliam

In Pew Bible, page 303 of New Testament

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SERMON

God Hears

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.*

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 400 *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

PRECIOUS LORD

+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.

RECESSIONAL OF THE LIGHT

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Please be seated for the postlude.

+Those who are able are invited to stand.

Today's altar flowers are given by Ernie and Austine Evans to the glory of God.

OUR MINISTRY TEAM

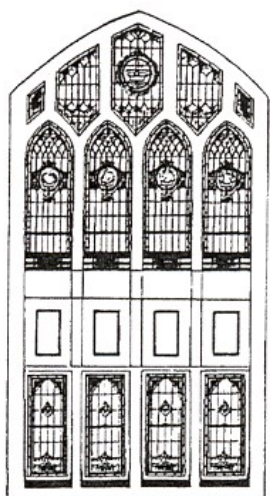
Rev. Anita D. Thompson
Associate Pastor

Mrs. Leah Newsome
Music Associate/Pianist

Rev. Dr. Paul R. Gilliam III
Pastor

Rev. Dr. Jesse J. Croom
Pastor Emeritus

Miss Bridget Deveney
Music Associate/Organist



A Window on the Weeks Ahead

July 10, 2022

First Baptist Church of Ahoskie, NC

✠ Worship Notes

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

Babies: Nancy Cobbs & Joyce Leary

Ages 1 & 2: Lyndsay Britt, Isabella & Leah Woodard

Age 3 – Kindergarten: Heather & William Alexander

✠ Children's Ministry Council

The Children's Ministry Council meets today at 2:00 PM in the library. Council members are Jessica Brinkley, Elizabeth Davis, Anna Dawson, J. C. Doughtie, Claire Harrell, and Victoria Outlaw.

✠ Vacation Bible School

July 25-28 | 4:45 PM - 7:45 PM

Age 3 through completed grade 4.

Registration forms are available online or in the church office.

VBS Leadership Meeting

Sunday, July 17 | 2:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

All volunteers, except meal teams, are asked to attend.

VBS Decorating Day

Sunday, July 24 | 2:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

All volunteers are asked to help with set up and decorating. We welcome any FBCA folks who'd like to help.

For more information about VBS, please contact Rev. Thompson, (252) 395-0061; anita@fbcahoskie.org.

✠ Church Leadership for 2022-2023 Church Year

The Nominating Committee has begun the good work of filling leadership roles and committees. You're encouraged to prayerfully consider how you'd like to serve in the new church year which begins September 1, 2022.

✠ In Sympathy

Our sister in Christ, Cleo Mitchell, died on Thursday morning, July 7, 2022. Ms. Mitchell, the sister of FBCA member, Tommy Mitchell, had been a member of FBC Ahoskie since November of 1952.

✘ Adult Bible Study & Lunch

... is currently on summer break. Information about plans for the Fall are forthcoming.

✘ Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of NC All-State Youth Choir

Next Sunday, July 17th, Jane Hollingsworth will depart for her final year of participation in All-State Youth Choir. Rehearsals begin at Camp Mundo Vista in Sophia, NC that evening with concerts beginning on Wednesday, July 20th. Here is the concert schedule:

Wednesday	July 20	6:00 PM	First Baptist, Asheboro
Thursday	July 21	7:00 PM	First Baptist, Kannapolis
Friday	July 22	6:30 PM	Friendly Avenue Baptist, Greensboro
Saturday	July 23	5:00 PM	Ardmore Baptist, Winston-Salem
Sunday	July 24	11:00 AM	First Baptist, Albemarle
Sunday	July 24	5:00 PM	First Baptist, Greensboro

✘ Green Space & Playground

If you'd like to spend time in the green space and playground, contact the church office to receive the code for the gate lock.