



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH *of* AHOSKIE

The Worship of God ✠ August 7, 2022 ✠ The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

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

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

August 7, 2022 ✠ 11:00 AM

✠ *The Season of the Church Year: The Ninth 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

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 141:1-2

Mr. Perry Newbern

In Pew Bible, page 711 of Old Testament

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

INTROIT

Down to the River to Pray
The Sanctuary Choir

arr. Mary McDonald

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Mr. Newbern

+HYMN OF PRAISE 295 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

NETTLETON

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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.

+HYMN 59

My Lord Is Near Me All the Time
Stanza 1

FOREST PARK

+LITANY FOR THE OFFERING

Mrs. Suzanne Newbern

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 19:11-21

Dr. Gilliam

In Pew Bible, page 313-314 of New Testament

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thanks be to God.

SERMON

Hell, Anyone?

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.

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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 486 *Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult*

RESTORATION

+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 in loving memory of our nephew and cousin, Fletcher Pierce by Mary Page, Walt, Dempsey, Stuart, and Libby Pierce.

OUR MINISTRY TEAM

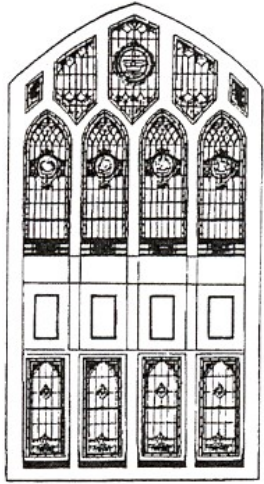
Rev. Anita D. Thompson
Associate Pastor

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

August 7, 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: Brian & Victoria Outlaw

Ages 1 & 2: Bill & Debbie Magette

Age 3 – Kindergarten: Landis & Will Chamblee

✦ Benevolence Offering Received Today

On the first Sunday of every month, we receive an offering for our Benevolence Ministry which helps support individuals and families in our community. If you'd like to participate, please place your offering in one of the small brown baskets at each sanctuary exit.

✦ 2022 Fall Music Ministry Offerings Begins

August 10 | 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir

August 10 | 8:00 PM Vocal Ensemble

August 21 | 2:00 PM Chairo

August 24 | 5:00 PM Children's Music & Missions

✦ Back to School

Throughout the month of August our local schools begin welcoming students for the 2022-2023 school year. Let us pray for the teachers, students, parents, staff and administrators as they navigate yet another school year under pandemic conditions. The first day of classes for area schools are:

August 4 Hertford County Early College High School

August 10 Ridgecroft School

August 17 Lawrence Academy & Southampton Academy (Courtland, VA)

August 24 Chowan University

August 29 Hertford County Public Schools & Gates County Public Schools

✦ Bible Presentation | Sunday, August 28, 2022

As is our tradition, during worship on Sunday, August 28, we will present Bibles to our 1st and 6th graders as we celebrate their transition to grade school and youth ministries.

✘ Sunday School Promotion

On August 28, 2022, children will promote to their new classrooms based on their ages/grades. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Thompson.

Ages 1 & 2	Room 106
Ages 3 & 4	Room 105
Kindergarten & Grades 1-2	Room 104
Grades 3-6	Room 309

✘ WMU Churchwide Mission Project for August

Roanoke Chowan Christian Women's Job Corps needs the following items for hygiene bags:

- ♦Deodorant ♦Toothbrush
- ♦Toothpaste ♦Shampoo (No Conditioner)

A container will be in the West Street hallway for collection through August 31, 2022. Please contact Claire Presley if you have any questions.

✘ Vacation Bible School – Thank You!

From Monday, July 25 through Thursday, July 28, our building was filled with the beautiful sounds and lively energy of a host of children as they participated in Passport to Peace, our 2022 Vacation Bible School. Thank you, parents and grandparents, for entrusting us with your dear children. And thank you, volunteers, for leading an outstanding VBS.

Small Group Leaders: Linda Alexander, Heather Alexander, Georgia Copeland, Bridget Deveney, Lou Ann Gilliam, & Ashlee' Perry

Small Group Assistants: Lily Ann Brinkley, Avery Byrum, Harriet Byrum, Claire Harrell, Jane Hollingsworth, Sarah Jenkins, Leslie Lawrence, Camille Pierce, Liza Pierce, Katie Vaughan, Eli Willis, Lilli Willis, Isabella Woodard & Leah Woodard

Decorating Team: Jessica Brinkley, Claire Harrell, Victoria Harrell & Winnie Matthews

Rotation Station Leaders: Jessica Brinkley, Jamie Burns, Landis Chamblee, Elizabeth Davis, Anna Dawson, Elizabeth Hollingsworth, Steven Hollingsworth, Suzanne Newbern, & Kari Pierce

Meal Team: Lyndsay Britt, Leslie Lawrence, Mollie Perry, Jim & Dana Wiggins

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