



The Worship of God ✦ September 25, 2022 ✦ The 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

## THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

September 25, 2022 ✠ 11:00 AM

✠ *The Season of the Church Year: The 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS

Rev. Dr. Paul R. Gilliam III

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PASTORAL SENTENCES

Dr. Gilliam

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.**

PIANO PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES AND OPENING OF THE BIBLE

Miss Lilli Willis & Mr. Eli Willis, Acolytes

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THE PSALM

Psalm 8

Mrs. Elizabeth Craft

INTROIT

*The Majesty and Glory of Your Name*  
The Sanctuary Choir

Tom Fettke

When I gaze into the night skies and see the work of Your fingers;  
The moon and stars suspended in space.  
Oh, what is man that You are mindful of him?  
You have given man a crown of glory and honor,  
And have made him a little lower than the angels.

You have put him in charge of all creation:  
The beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea.  
Oh, what is man that You are mindful of him?  
O Lord, our God the majesty and glory of Your name  
transcends the earth and fills the heavens.  
O Lord, our God; little children praise You perfectly,  
and so would we.

Alleluia! The majesty and glory of Your name. Alleluia!

## INVOCATION

Mrs. Craft

+HYMN OF PRAISE 323

*How Great Thou Art*

HOW GREAT THOU ART

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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.**

+HYMN 307

*All Creatures of Our God and King*  
Stanza 5

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Let all things their Creator bless, and worship Him in humbleness,

O praise Him, Alleluia!

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One,

O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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## +PRAYER FOR THE OFFERING

Dr. Timothy Frei

## 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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## OLD TESTAMENT LESSON     Jeremiah 32:1-3, 6-15

Dr. Gilliam

In Pew Bible, page 865 of Old Testament

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

**thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

*Put Your Money Where Your Heart Is*

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 633

*All the Way My Savior Leads Me*

ALL THE WAY

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+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 & POSTLUDE

*Please be seated for the postlude.*

+Those who are able are invited to stand.

*Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Rick & Jamie Burns, in honor of their grandchildren, Adalyn, Wade, & Wyatt.*

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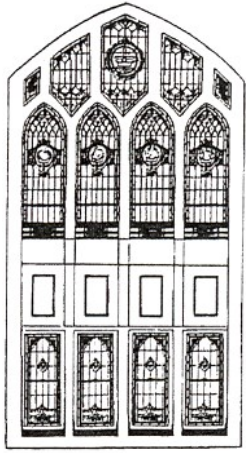
#### OUR MINISTRY TEAM

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*



# A Window on the Weeks Ahead

September 25, 2022

First Baptist Church of Ahoskie, NC

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## ✠ Worship Notes

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

Ages 1 & 2: Debbie Greene & Cheryl Slachta

Ages 3 & 4: Michelle Boyd & Sarah Jenkins

Kindergarten: Kimmi & Nathan Pierce

## ✠ WMU Churchwide Mission Project for September

*Since many of the international students at Chowan University arrive in the US with very little, we are collecting the following items for them:*

- ♦ Blankets
- ♦ Extra Long Twin Sheets
- ♦ Pillows
- ♦ Twin Comforters
- ♦ Used Microwaves

*A container will be in the West Street hallway for collection through September 30, 2022. Please contact Claire Presley if you have any questions.*

## ✠ Northeast NC Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Regional Gathering

Edenton Baptist Church | September 25, 2022 | 3:45 PM - 7:30 PM

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| 1:45 PM | Gather at FBCA West St. Entrance |
| 2:00 PM | Depart                           |
| 3:45 PM | Gather, Sanctuary                |
| 4:15 PM | Breakout Sessions                |
| 5:15 PM | Supper, Fellowship Hall          |
| 5:50 PM | Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary       |
| 6:30 PM | Worship, Sanctuary               |

## ✠ October Birthdays – An Addition

*We are always thankful for those who let us know we have omitted a birthday. We offer our apology to Tommy and Janet Oliver and invite you to add their birthdays to your October calendar. Janet's birthday is October 8; Tommy's is October 24.*

## ✠ FBC 101 | October 2, 2022 | 4:00 PM

*Are you interested in joining FBC Ahoskie, or simply interested in learning more about our church? Do you know someone who is? Sunday, October 2 we will offer FBC 101 at 4:00 PM. This is a one-hour class/discussion for people interested in joining our church or simply learning more about our church. If you would like to sign up, simply call the church office (252-332-4003), or speak with Paul or Anita.*

## ✠ Children's Sabbath | October 30, 2022

Our Music & Missions children will lead the 11 AM worship service.

## ✠ Trunk or Treat | Sunday, October 30, 2022 | 6:00 PM

For children up to grade 5.

Contact Rev. Thompson if you plan to decorate a trunk.