



THE GRACE   
OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.  
BY THE LOVE OF GOD.  
AND THE COMMUNION  
OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
BE WITH YOU ALL 

The Worship of God ✦ June 4, 2023 ✦ Trinity Sunday

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

June 4, 2023 ✠ 11:00 AM

✠ *The Season of the Church Year: Trinity Sunday*

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS

Rev. Anita Thompson

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PIANO PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 8

Mr. Brayden Conboy

In Pew Bible, pages 605 & 606 of Old Testament

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

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Mr. Conboy

Amazing God, revealed to us in more ways than we can count,  
yet binding in unity all that was and is and yet shall be,  
**We worship You.**

God, our Father, source of mountains and seas, giver of light and darkness,  
**We marvel at the work of Your hands.**

Jesus Christ, Reconciler and Redeemer,  
**We are awed by the forgiving love that draws us to You  
and empowers us to care for one another.**

Spirit of Truth, Counselor and Comforter,  
**We rejoice in Your transforming presence.**

Triune God, we come to worship You and to celebrate the names  
in which the faithful have been baptized:  
**Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

Bless, we pray, this gathering of Your disciples.  
**Amen.**

+HYMN OF PRAISE 7

*Worthy of Worship*

JUDSON

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CHILDREN'S TIME & BLESSING

Rev. Thompson

People of God, what is our 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.**

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+PRAYER FOR THE OFFERING

Mrs. Jamie Burns

OFFERTORY

+DOXOLOGY – Hymn 705

GLORIA PATRI (Greatorex)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, Amen.

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NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Ephesians 4:1-6, 15-16

Mr. Don Joyner

In Pew Bible, pages 236 & 237 of New Testament

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

HOMILY

*We Must Grow Up in Every Way*

Rev. Thompson

CALL TO THE TABLE

+Hymn 459

*Come, Share the Lord*

DIVERNON

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Thompson

. . . Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on 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.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Anthem

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*  
The Sanctuary Choir

arr. Fred Mallory

COMMUNION

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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 519 *Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

ASH GROVE

+BENEDICTION

Rev. Thompson

+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

### PIANO POSTLUDE

*Please be seated for the postlude.*

+Those who are able are invited to stand.

*Today's altar flowers are given for the glory of God by Tom & Carol Jean Fretwell in memory of their loved ones.*

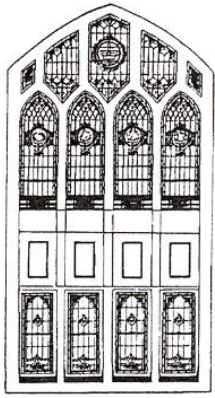
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### OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Mr. Brayden Conboy  
*CBF Student.Church Summer Intern*

Rev. Anita D. Thompson  
*Associate Pastor*  
Mrs. Leah Newsome  
*Pianist*

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



# A Window on the Weeks Ahead

June 4, 2023

First Baptist Church of Ahoskie, NC

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## ✠ Worship Notes

*The church marks time differently than the secular world. We follow the Christian Year which begins with the Season of Advent four weeks prior to Christmas and ends with Christ the King Sunday on the Sunday prior to the beginning of Advent.*

*Last Sunday we celebrated the Day of Pentecost, acknowledging God's gift of the Holy Spirit as promised by Christ before His ascension. It is fitting, therefore, that the following Sunday we celebrate the Holy Trinity – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

## ✠ Childcare During Worship

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

*Ages 1 & 2: Nancy Baker & Judy H. Pierce*

*Ages 3 & 4: Brian & Victoria Outlaw*

*Kindergarten: Landis & Will Chamblee*

## ✠ This Week's Calendar

**Sunday, June 4 | *Trinity Sunday***

9:30 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship

**Monday, June 5**

3:00 PM Church Staff Meeting

**Tuesday, June 6**

10:00 AM WMU Group 4

**Wednesday, June 7**

7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

8:00 PM Vocal Ensemble Rehearsal

**Friday, June 9**

8:30 AM Christian Women's Job Corps, *The Gathering Place*

4:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal: Daniels & Rowe, *FBCA Sanctuary*

**Saturday, June 10**

4:00 PM Wedding: Daniels & Rowe, *FBCA Sanctuary*

## ✦ Vacation Bible School 2023 | July 24-27

4:45 PM-7:45 PM | Age 3 (by 8/31/21) through Completed Grade 5

Our Children's Ministry Council has begun recruiting leaders for this summer's Vacation Bible School. The leadership needs are:

- ♦ Small Group Leader – *in charge of a particular age group for the evening.*
- ♦ Bible Story Leader – *one for Age 3 – K, and one for Grades 1-5.*
- ♦ Recreation Leader – *one for Age 3 – K, and one for Grades 1-5.*
- ♦ Crafts/Activities Leader – *one for Age 3 – K, and one for Grades 1-5.*
- ♦ Meal Provider Teams – *one team for each evening.*
- ♦ Decorators

*If you would like to volunteer, please speak with a Children's Ministry Council member, or contact Rev. Thompson. Council members are Elizabeth Davis, Anna Dawson, J.C. Doughtie, Claire Harrell, Suzanne Newbern, and Lee Taylor Rose.*

## ✦ Church Conference | Sunday, June 11, 2023

*Our Deacons' appointed Rev. Anita Thompson as Temporary Interim Pastor effective June 1, 2023. Next Sunday, June 11, 2023, the membership will participate in a church conference immediately following morning worship. A vote will be taken on the Deacons' recommendation that Rev. Thompson serve as Temporary Interim Pastor until a full time Interim Pastor can be employed.*

## ✦ 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.*

## ✦ CBF National Student.Church | Brayden Conboy, FBCA Intern

*Student.Church provides congregational internships to students who are interested in a deeper experience of church life or pursuing a call to ministry. Interns are mentored by seasoned ministers as they explore the breadth of congregational ministry through a variety of learning experiences. Brayden Conboy, FBCA member and a rising junior at Chowan University, will serve as our Student.Church Intern for 10 weeks, beginning June 4, 2023. Let us pray for him and for our church as we partner in ministry together.*

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