

THE BEATITUDES

Blessings for a Joyful Journey



The Worship of God ✕ May 12, 2024 ✕ 7th Sunday of Easter

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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

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May 12, 2024 ✕ 11:00 AM

✕ *The Season of the Church Year: 7th Sunday of Easter*

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Greeting to Worshipers

Rev. Anita Thompson

Chiming of the Hour

Piano Prelude

Lighting of the Candles & Opening of the Bible

Morgan Johnson & Freeman Perry, Acolytes

Call to Worship

Based on Psalm 150

Jackson Alexander & Carson Rose

Prayer of Invocation

Corbett Britton

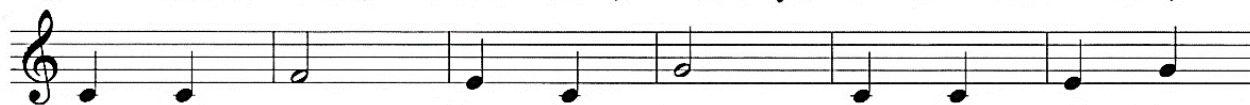
+Hymn of Praise

Praise Him, All Ye Little Children

BONNER



1. Praise Him, praise Him, all ye lit - tle chil - dren,
2. Love Him, love Him, all ye lit - tle chil - dren,
3. Thank Him, thank Him, all ye lit - tle chil - dren,



God is love, God is love. Praise Him, praise Him,
God is love, God is love. Love Him, love Him,
God is love, God is love. Thank Him, thank Him,



all ye lit - tle chil - dren, God is love, God is love.

Theme Song

Joyful Journey
The Children Choristers

Terry D. Taylor

*Come to the mountainside, come hear the words of truth Jesus is speaking;
words of truth to bless all who believe.*

*Come, learn the Kingdom way. A joyful journey of faith is now calling:
calling us to choose the blessed life!*

*Jesus said a better way of living can be found,
when we follow Him, and turn what's wrong upside down!*



Graduate Recognition

Camille Pate Pierce
St. Mary's School, Raleigh

Reagan Mallory Zoch

Hertford College Early College High School & Roanoke Chowan Community College



Children's Time Songs from the Music Friends

God Cares for Me
Be Forgiving and Kind
Always with Me
Our Mighty, Mighty God

Ruth Elaine Schram
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Nan Grantham
Claire Russell

Children's Blessing

Sarah Newbern

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.**



+Offertory Prayer

Bryant Brinkley

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.

Prayer of Illumination *Open My Eyes That I May See* SCOTT
The Children Choristers

*Open my eyes that I may see glimpses of truth Thou hast for me.
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for Thee; ready, my God, Thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit Divine!*

**Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit the earth.**

Scripture Lesson Matthew 5:5 (NIV) Mac Chamblee
This is the word of God for the people of God;
thanks be to God.

A Parable About Meekness Based on Luke 18:9-14
*Narrator, Mary Welch Gallop; Mr. Simon, Bennett Pierce;
Meek Woman, Stuart Pierce, Gossiper, Lucy Pierce*

+Hymn 186 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* HAMBURG
Stanzas 1, 2 & 4

**Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.**

Scripture Lesson Matthew 5:9 (NIV) Pace Davis
This is the Word of God for the people of God;
thanks be to God.

Prayer for Peace Madison Alexander, Leslie Jernigan
& Graham Lawrence

Song of Peace *Let There Be Peace on Earth* Jill Jackson-Miller & Sy Miller
Madison Alexander, Soloist

*Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.*

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 5:7 (NIV)

Charlie Rascoe

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

Anthem

I Forgive You

Diane Beckstead

The Children Choristers
Winslow Gallop, Stuart Pierce & Milly Vaughan, Trio

*Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

Scripture Reading

Matthew 5:3 (NIV)

Abby Alexander

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

Skit

Blessed are the What?

Madison Alexander, Mary Welch Gallop, & Grant Johnson

Invitation

Rev. Dr. Dennis Bazemore

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 259

Blest Are They

BLEST ARE THEY

Soloist: Blest are they, oh, the meek ones, they shall inherit the earth.
Blest are they who seek peace; they are the children of God. *(Refrain)*

Soloist: Blest are they who show mercy; mercy shall be theirs.
Blest are they, the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of God. *(Refrain)*

Re - jice _____ and be glad! _____ Bles-sed are
you, ho - ly are you. Re - jice _____ and be glad! _____
_____ Yours is the king-dom of God!

The Beatitudes

Blessed Chant
The Children Choristers

Keith Watson

+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

Carleigh Bailey, Acolyte

Piano Postlude

Please be seated for the Postlude.

+Those who are able are invited to stand.

Children's Music & Missions

Children's Music & Missions meets each Wednesday from 5:15 to 6:15 PM. All children in the Roanoke-Chowan area (age 3 to grade 5) are always welcome.

Music & Mission Friends

Age 3 through Kindergarten

Ava Blanchard	Gracie Griffin	Peyton Outlaw
Adalyn Britt	Will Hall	Boone Perry
Wade Britt	Olivia Jenkins	Nash Perry
Wyatt Britt	Bracy Lawrence	Ruth Perry
Wells Britton	Maddie Morris	Libby Pierce
Helen Chamblee	Ryleigh Morris	Hudson Rose

*Lyndsay Britt, Debbie Magette, Suzanne Newbern
& Lisa Outlaw, Leaders*

The Children Choristers & Children in Action

Grades 1-5

Abby Alexander	Mac Chamblee	Graham Lawrence
Madison Alexander	Pace Davis	Sarah Newbern
Jackson Alexander	Emma Flythe	Freeman Perry
Carleigh Bailey	Lily Flythe	Bennett Pierce
Caroline Baker	Mary Welch Gallop	Lucy Pierce
Jackson Baker	Winslow Gallop	Stuart Pierce
Bryant Brinkley	Leslie Jernigan	Charlie Rascoe
Corbett Britton	Grant Johnson	Carson Rose
Sophia Byrd	Morgan Johnson	Milly Vaughan

*Anita Thompson, Leader
Linda Bazemore, Ann Cooke, Georgia Copeland,
Jayne Frei & Vicky Overman, Assistants*

Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Reverend Anita Thompson. Words cannot express our gratitude for your twenty-two years of faithful ministry to the people of First Baptist Church. Your dedication to this church has been incomparable. We pray upon your calling to pastor FBC Wadesboro. You are so loved, and we will miss you immensely!

OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Anita D. Thompson
Associate Pastor

Rev. Dr. Dennis N. Bazemore
Interim Pastor

Rev. Dr. Jesse J. Croom
Pastor Emeritus

Mrs. Leah Newsome
Music Associate/Pianist