



The Worship of God ✦ May 19, 2024 ✦ Pentecost Sunday

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

312 West Main Street ♦ Post Office Box 649 ♦ Ahoskie, North Carolina 27910
www.fbcahoskie.org ♦ (252) 332-4003 ♦ office@fbcahoskie.org

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

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

May 19, 2024 ✠ 11:00 AM

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

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS

Dr. Dennis Bazemore

PIANO PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES AND OPENING OF THE BIBLE

Miss Jenni Byrd & Miss Sophia Byrd, Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mrs. Austine Evans

Come, Holy Spirit. Inspire our hearts with your fiery presence!

Let your flame burn within us, stirring us into action.

Come, Holy Spirit. Energize our lives to do good work for our God.

Let your wind of hope swirl around us, lifting and moving us from complacency.

Come, Holy Spirit. Pour your blessings upon us.

Let your presence challenge us to be God's people in this place, to proclaim God's presence and love in everything we say and do.

INTROIT

Spirit of the Living God

arr. Barry Braman

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Mrs. Evans

+HYMN 156

Shine, Jesus, Shine

SHINE

✠ ✠ ✠

CHILDREN'S TIME & BLESSING

Dr. Bazemore

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.**

✠ ✠ ✠

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 104:24-35

Miss Ashléé Perry

In Pew Bible, pages 683 of Old Testament

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

Thanks be to God.

+HYMN 17

This Is My Father's World

TERRA PATRIS

✠ ✠ ✠

+OFFERTORY PRAYER

Miss Perry

PIANO OFFERTORY

+DOXOLOGY – Hymn 705

GLORIA PATRI

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.

✠ ✠ ✠

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Act 2:1-4; 42-47

Dr. Bazemore

In Pew Bible, pages 144 & 145-146 of New Testament

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

ANTHEM

Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God

arr. Mary McDonald

SERMON

A Spirit Filled Church

Dr. Bazemore

✠ ✠ ✠

INVITATION

+HYMN OF RESPONSE 235 *Breathe On Me, Breath of God*

TRENTHAM

+BENEDICTION

Dr. Bazemore

+CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

*As we leave, let us remember that we do not leave the church. We leave as the church
to go into the world and make disciples . . . in the name of the Father, the Son, and the
Holy Spirit. Amen.*

POSTLUDE

+Those who are able are invited to stand.

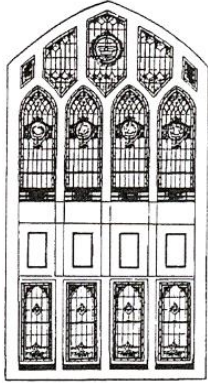
Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by the Worship Decorating Committee.

OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Dr. Dennis N. Bazemore
Interim Pastor

Mrs. Leah Newsome
Pianist

Dr. Jesse J. Croom
Pastor Emeritus



A Window on the Weeks Ahead

May 19, 2024

First Baptist Church of Ahoskie, NC

✘ Worship Notes

◆ **The Christian Year** – *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.*

Today the church begins a new season, ushered in by Pentecost Sunday. It is a day to celebrate hope, a hope evoked by the knowledge that God, through His Holy Spirit, is at work among His people. It is a celebration of newness, of recreation, of renewal of purpose, mission, and calling as God's people. It is a celebration of God's ongoing work in the world. Yet, it is also a recognition that His work is done through His people as He pours out His presence upon them.

◆ **Worship Childcare** – *We give thanks for those caring for our young ones today while we worship:*

Ages 1 & 2: Kari Pierce & Cheryl Slachta

Ages 3 & 4: Claire & Jordan Harrell

Kindergarten: Avery & Harriet Byrum

✘ Upcoming Meetings 2024

Building & Grounds Committee | Monday, May 20 | 7:00 PM

Deacons' | Tuesday, May 21 | 7:00 PM

Pastor Search Committee | Sunday, June 9 | 4:00 PM

Finance Committee | Monday, June 10 | 7:00 PM

✘ Photos Needed for New Church Directory

Send us one photo of whichever applies to your household: family, couple, or individual. Email to office@fbcahoskie.org.

✘ Church Conference | Wednesday, June 5, 2024 | 6:30 PM

The Pastor Search Committee has recommended amendments to the by-laws for the election process of the Pastor. The Deacons have unanimously approved these changes. A letter with the details was mailed to resident church members on April 30, 2024. The amendment to the by-laws requires a church vote. The meeting to vote on the amendment is Wednesday, June 5, 2024, at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

❖ **Men's Fellowship Dinner | Reservations Requested**

Wednesday, May 29, 2024 | Mixed Grill | 6:00 PM

Contact Lee Wilson at (252) 332-4563 or sign up on the 2nd floor bulletin board.

Menu: •Ribeye Steak •Potatoes •Salad •Dessert

❖ **WMU Churchwide Mission Project**

We are collecting the following items for our Christian Women's & Men's Job Corps:

Women's Job Corps

•Shampoo •Conditioner

•Deodorant •Body Lotion

•Toothpaste •Feminine Pads & Tampons

Men's Job Corps

•Shampoo •Lotion

•Deodorant •Razors

•Shaving Cream •Soap

❖ **Vacation Bible School | August 5-7 | 5:30 – 8:00 PM**

Pre-K 3 – Completed Grade 5

Volunteers are needed. Please contact Kari Pierce at (252) 217-8017.

❖ **Thank you, Hostess/Hospitality Committee**

Your countless hours of planning, preparing, serving, and cleaning has not gone unnoticed. Since October, you have met each task with a servant spirit and heart. Thank you for serving the church in such a selfless way. Thank you for all you do! -FBC Ahoskie Deacons

❖ **This Week**

◆ **Sunday, May 19**

9:45 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship

◆ **Monday, May 20**

7:00 PM Building & Grounds Committee, Fellowship Hall

◆ **Tuesday, May 21**

7:00 PM Deacons' Meeting, Fellowship Hall

◆ **Friday, May 24**

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

FBC Ahoskie holds a copyright license (20520822 Size B) and a streaming license (20520815 Size B) with CCLI, account 1577531. We also hold a copyright license with One License, A-609881.