



The Worship of God ✦ June 30, 2024 ✦ The 6th Sunday after Pentecost

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

June 30, 2024 ✠ 11:00 AM

✠ *The Season of the Church Year: The 6th Sunday after Pentecost*

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS

Dr. Dennis Bazemore

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PIANO PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES AND OPENING OF THE BIBLE

Mr. Bennett Pierce & Miss Lucy Pierce, Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 33

Mrs. Kari Pierce

Let the godly sing for joy to the LORD; it is fitting for the pure to praise Him.
**For the word of the LORD holds true, and we can trust everything he does.
He loves whatever is just and good;**
Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD,
**We put our hope in You, O LORD. You are our help and our shield.
In You our hearts rejoice, for we trust in Your holy name.
Let Your unfailing love surround us, LORD, for our hope is in You alone.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Mrs. Pierce

+HYMN 158

Jesus Shall Reign

DUKE STREET

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OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 33:13-22

Mr. Henry Pierce

In Pew Bible, pages 624 of Old Testament

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

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.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Matthew 22:15-22

Dr. Bazemore

In Pew Bible, page 30 of New Testament

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

+ HYMN 702

America the Beautiful

MATERNA

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+OFFERTORY PRAYER

Mr. Pierce

PIANO OFFERTORY

+DOXOLOGY HYMN 706

OLD 100TH, alt.

*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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MESSAGE IN SONG

Almighty Fortress is Our God

Martin Luther, arr. Walker

Jim Wiggins
Soloist

SERMON

Dual Citizenship

Dr. Bazemore

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 590

The Solid Rock

SOLID ROCK

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+BENEDICTION

Dr. Bazemore

Blessed be to you our Heavenly Father. We recognize that you have given us life and liberty in America, and eternal life in your son, Jesus Christ.

In all of history O' God, you have given us peace and freedom to worship you, to share the gospel, to love our families, to love our enemies and to advance your kingdom on earth.

May we all be a light in our nation and a faithful presence in our jobs and schools, churches and communities as citizens of the kingdom and citizens of this country.

May the strength of God sustain us; may the power of God preserve us; may the hands of God protect us; may the way of God direct us; may the love of God go with us this day and forever. Amen

+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 by the Magette Family to the glory of God and in honor of our loving church family.

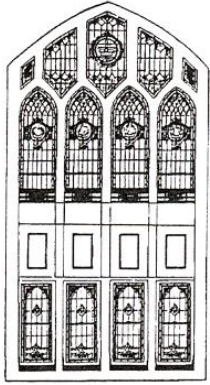
OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Dr. Dennis N. Bazemore
Interim Pastor

Dr. Greg Barmer
Interim Minister of Music

Dr. Jesse J. Croom
Pastor Emeritus

Mrs. Leah Newsome
Pianist



A Window on the Weeks Ahead

June 30, 2024

First Baptist Church of Ahoskie, NC

✦ Worship Notes

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

Ages 1 & 2: Jenni Byrd & Nancy Freeman

Ages 3 & 4: Jamie Burns & Betty Cooper

Kindergarten: Bill & Debbie Magette

✦ 5th Sunday Picnic | Today, June 30, 2024 | Fellowship Hall

All are invited to join us in the fellowship hall for a picnic following the worship service.

✦ Church Offices Closed | July 4 & 5, 2024

✦ Heck-Jones Offering | Collecting the Month of July

FBC Ahoskie will collect the Heck-Jones Offering during the month of July. This offering provides primary funding for the mission and ministries of Woman's Missionary Union (WMU) of NC. The offering is named for Fannie Heck and Sallie Bailey Jones, two dedicated women in WMU history. Both held prominent leadership roles in the North Carolina organization, and Miss Heck also served at the national level.

✦ College Scholarship Applications | Due July 15, 2024

Please call the church office if you would like an application. All completed applications are due in the church office by July 15, 2024.

✦ All-State Youth Choir NC

Thursday, July 18 | 6:00 PM | FBCA Sanctuary

✦ Children's Time & Blessing

If you sense a call to assist with the Children's Time & Blessing, please contact Dr. Bazemore.

✦ 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.

✦ Communion Observed | Sunday, July 7, 2024

✦ Newsletter Article Submissions

Our weekly newsletter is released on Wednesdays. If there is information you would like published in our newsletter, please call, or email the church office by noon on Monday.

✘ Church Leadership for 2024-2025 Church Year

The Nominating Committee will soon begin the good work of filling leadership roles and committees for the 2024-2025 Church Year. You're encouraged to prayerfully consider how you'd like to serve. The new church year begins September 1, 2024.

✘ Upcoming Meetings 2024

Building & Grounds Committee | Monday, July 15 | 7:00 PM

Deacons' | Tuesday, July 16 | 7:00 PM

✘ Choir Rehearsals | Wednesdays

7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir

8:00 PM Vocal Ensemble

*** No Choir Rehearsals on July 3, 2024. ***

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