



The Worship of God ✦ August 18, 2024 ✦ The 13th 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

August 18, 2024 ✠ 11:00 AM

✠ *The Season of the Church Year: The 13th Sunday after Pentecost*

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS

Dr. Dennis Bazemore

PIANO PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES AND OPENING OF THE BIBLE

Mr. Jackson Alexander & Miss Madison Alexander, Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 63

Greg Barmer

O God, you are my God; I earnestly search for you.

My soul thirsts for you;

My whole body longs for you in this parched and weary land where there is no water.

So here I am in the place of worship, eyes wide open.

I have seen you in your sanctuary and gazed upon your power and glory.

Your unfailing love is better than life itself; how I praise you!

I will praise you as long as I live, lifting up my hands to you in prayer.

You satisfy me more than the richest feast, and I will praise you with songs of joy.

+HYMN 297

Here I Am to Worship

HERE I AM TO WORSHIP

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Greg Barmer

+HYMN 52

O Worship the King

LYONS

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CHILDREN'S TIME & BLESSING

Dr. Bazemore

Presentation of Bibles for 1st and 6th Graders

Blessing of the Backpacks

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 139:1-6, 13-18, 23-24
In Pew Bible, 710 & 711 of Old Testament

Dr. Linda Alexander

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

ANTHEM

The Wonder of it All

arr. Edwards

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NEW TESTAMENT LESSON 1 John 3:1-3

In Pew Bible, pages 291 of New Testament

Dr. Bazemore

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+ HYMN 600

O How He Loves You and Me

PATRICIA

+OFFERTORY PRAYER

Dr. Alexander

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*

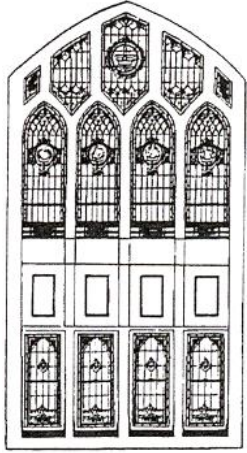
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SERMON

What Is It Like To Be A Child

Dr. Bazemore

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A Window on the Weeks Ahead

August 18, 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: Nancy Perry & Mary Page Pierce

Ages 3 & 4: Claire & Jordan Harrell

Kindergarten: Lily Ann Brinkley & Sarah Grace Britton

✦ Church Conference & Supper | August 28 | 5:30 PM

Supper will be provided at no cost, reservations are required. Please use the sign up sheet on the second floor bulletin board. Conference to follow as The Pastor Search Committee will make a presentation and the Nominating Committee Report is to be approved.

✦ August Mission Project | Lunch for School Personnel

Our church will be providing lunch (12 Noon) for the faculty and staff at the various schools in our community this month. This is an opportunity for us to express our support and prayers for all these school employees as they begin another school year. If you are available to assist with these luncheons, please contact Penny Rose (252) 287-4482.

August 20: Ahoskie Elementary, Bearfield Primary, Hertford County High

August 30: Hertford County Early College High School

✦ Upcoming Meetings 2024

Pastor Search Committee | Today | 4:00 PM

Deacons' | Tuesday, August 20 | 7:00 PM

✦ Wednesday Night Activities | Resume September 11, 2024

- 5:15 PM Children's Music & Missions/ Adult Bible Study
- 6:15 PM Wednesday Night Meal
- 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir
- 8:00 PM Vocal Ensemble

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The Wonder of it All

George Beverly Shea (1909-2013)

WONDER OF IT ALL Irregular Ref.
George Beverly Shea

1. There's the won - der of sun - set at eve - ning, _____ The won - der as
2. There's the won - der of spring time and har - vest, _____ The sky, the

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sun - rise I see; _____ But the won - der of won - ders that thrills my_ soul
stars, the sun; _____ But the won - der of won - ders that thrills my soul

Refrain

Is the won - der that God loves me. O, the won - der of it all! The won - der of it
Is a won - der that's on - ly be - gun.

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all! Just to think that God_ loves me. _____ O, the won - der of it

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all! The won - der of it all! Just to think that God_ loves me. _____