

The Worship of God ✠ October 20, 2024
The 22nd 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

October 20, 2024 ✕ 11:00 AM

✕ *The Season of the Church Year: The 22nd Sunday after Pentecost*

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS Dr. Dennis Bazemore

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PIANO PRELUDE Mrs. Leah Newsome

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES AND OPENING OF THE BIBLE
Miss Jenni Byrd & Miss Sophia Byrd, Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP *from the Psalms* Miss Byrd

There is none like you, O LORD. There are no works like yours.

All the nations will bow before you, O LORD, and glorify your name.

For you are great and do wondrous things. You alone are God

We will sing of your steadfast love forever, Father. We will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations. So come, let's raise our voices and spirits in praise to the LORD, Most High!

+HYMNS OF PRAISE

7 Worthy of Worship

8 Glorify Thy Name

PRAYER OF PRAISE Miss Byrd

MESSAGE IN SONG Preschool Choir

God's Masterpiece

God is working on me so I can be the masterpiece I was created to be.

God began it, God will complete it, this good work being done in me.

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 Psalm 67 Miss Byrd

In Pew Bible, pages 650 & 651 of Old Testament

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Mark 13:1-10
In Pew Bible, pages 60 & 61 of New Testament

Miss Byrd

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

+HYMN 473

KELVINGROVE

Will You Come and Follow Me

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Dr. Greg Barmer

PIANO OFFERTORY

Mrs. Newsome

+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

From Shoeboxes to Sermons

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 435

SULLIVAN

Share His Love

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+BENEDICTION

+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.

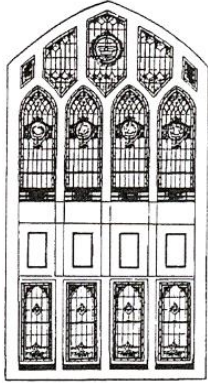
Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Pat Byrd in memory of her husband, John "Henry" Byrd, Jr.

OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Dr. Dennis N. Bazemore
Interim Pastor

Dr. Greg Barmer
Interim Minister of Music
Mrs. Leah Newsome
Pianist

Dr. Jesse J. Croom
Pastor Emeritus



A Window on the Weeks Ahead

October 20, 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: Alex & Sarah Grace Britton

✘ 2025 Deacon Nominations | Today

Today, at the conclusion of worship, church members will have the opportunity to nominate five members to serve as deacons for a three-year term beginning January 1, 2025. Both women and men may serve in that role at FBCA. As you prayerfully consider who to nominate, you're encouraged to bring to mind those among us who have the heart and mind of a servant. The five persons with the most nominations who agrees to serve will be confirmed on December 8.

✘ Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

Let's help share God's Love through a gift-filled box, bringing hope to a child in need. Due to customs requirements, soap is no longer permitted. Contact Melanie Byrum, OCC Coordinator, at (252) 209-7744 with questions.

- FBCA members please bring boxes, Wednesday, November 20, 2024 between 4:00 PM and 6:30 PM.
- Volunteers are needed to collect boxes on November 19 & November 21 from 9:30 AM – 12 Noon. If you are able to help, contact Melanie.
- If you would like to make a financial donation, address checks to First Baptist Church with Operation Christmas Child or OCC in the memo line. Cash must be in an envelope addressed to Operation Christmas Child or OCC. Place donations in the offering plate or inside the lock box on the finance door by October 27.

✘ Wednesday Night Meal & Bible Study | Resumes November 6, 2024

✘ Trunk-Or-Treat | October 27, 2024 | 12 Trunks Needed

Sign up on the bulletin board on the second floor. Contact Jamie Burns at (252) 332-9461 with questions.

✘ Christian Women's/Men's Job Corps Donations

CW/MJC is in need of household furniture and appliances: couches, mattresses, bed frames, lamps, pots, pans, baking dishes, microwaves, etc. We are not accepting glasses or dishes at this time. We thank you for your continued support!

✘ Year-Long WMU Project

We are collecting aluminum pop tabs from any container (soda can, soup can, pet food, etc.) to benefit the Ronald McDonald House in Greenville, NC. The leadership of Ronald McDonald House takes the pop tabs to a local recycler to turn them into money to provide for the families who stay in the house. The Ronald McDonald House program helps reduce stress and financial burden for families when they must travel far from home to access medical care for their child. Collection ends August 2025!

✘ Thank You from WMU

Thank you FBCA family for your generous donations of \$175.00 for transporting cancer patients to their appointments.

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