

The Worship of God ✠ June 1, 2025
Seventh Sunday of Easter

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 1, 2025 ✠ 10:00 AM

✠ *The Season of the Church Year: The Seventh Sunday of Easter*

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS Dr. Dennis Bazemore

CHIMING OF THE HOUR Mr. Jordan Martin

PIANO PRELUDE Mrs. Leah Newsome

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES AND OPENING OF THE BIBLE
Mr. L. Taylor Rose & Miss Carson Rose, Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 86 Dr. Greg Barmer

There is none like you, Lord; no deeds can compare with yours.

All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, Lord;

They will bring glory to your name.

For you are great and do marvelous deeds; you alone are God.

Teach me your way, Lord, that I may live according to your truth;

Grow a pure heart within me, that I may honor your name.

We will praise you, Lord our God, with all our heart;

We will glorify your name forever.

For great is your love toward us; you have delivered us from darkness, and broken the chains that bind us to this world. Praise be to you Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen!

+HYMN 605 *And Can It Be* SAGINA

INVOCATION Dr. Barmer

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 97 Ms. Betty Joyner
In Pew Bible, pages 677 & 678 of Old Testament

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

Thanks be to God.

+HYMN 342 *He is Exalted* HE IS EXALTED

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OFFERTORY PRAYER Ms. Joyner

ORGAN OFFERTORY

Mr. Jordan Martin

+ EASTER DOXOLOGY

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Christ is risen! Alleluia! Christ is risen! Alleluia! Alleluia!

+NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 16:16-34

Dr. Bazemore

In Pew Bible, page 166 of New Testament

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

Thanks be to God.

+HYMN 619

Blessed Assurance

ASSURANCE

SERMON

Midnight, Earthquake, Salvation, Freedom

Dr. Bazemore

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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 640 *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*

SHOWALTER

+BENEDICTION

Dr. Bazemore

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+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 and in memory of our loved ones by Tom & Carol Jean Fretwell.

OUR MINISTRY TEAM

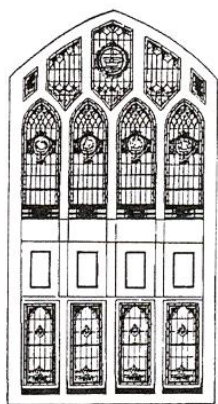
Dr. Dennis N. Bazemore
Interim Pastor

Dr. Greg Barmer
Interim Minister of Music

Dr. Jesse J. Croom
Pastor Emeritus

Mrs. Leah Newsome
Pianist

Mr. Jordan Martin
Organist



A Window on the Weeks Ahead

June 1, 2025

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: Bland & Nancy Baker

Ages 3 & 4: Heather & William Alexander

Kindergarten: Lyndsay & Heath Britt

✦ Benevolence Ministry Offering Received Today

As is our practice on the first Sunday of the month, we invite you to contribute to our benevolence ministry which assists our neighbors who are struggling to make ends meet. Please place your offering in one of the brown baskets located at all four entrances to the sanctuary.

✦ Adjusted Summer Hours | June 1 – August 31, 2025

• **Sunday School:** 9:00 AM • **Worship:** 10:00 AM

✦ Pentecost Sunday | June 8, 2025

As is our tradition, in celebration of Pentecost, you're invited to join us in wearing the colors of fire—shades of blue, orange, red, yellow.

✦ Upcoming Meetings

Building & Grounds | Monday, June 16, 2025 | 7:00 PM

Deacons' | Tuesday, June 17, 2025 | 7:00 PM

✦ The Gathering Place Needs

CMJC is in need of: men's belts and shoes of all sizes; men's pants sizes 30, 32, 34, and 36. CWJC is in need of: women's spring clothes, shoes, and purses. We thank you for your continued support!

✦ No Choir Rehearsals | June 25 - July 30

✦ Save The Date | Vacation Bible School | July 29 – 31