

The Worship of God ✠ July 13, 2025
Fifth 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

July 13, 2025 ☩ 11:00 AM

☩ *The Season of the Church Year: The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost*

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. Heath Britt & Miss Adalyn Britt, Acolytes

INVOCATION Dr. Greg Barner

CALL TO WORSHIP Dr. Barner

Nicodemus came to Jesus longing for something more than religion, but longing for something real. And we come with our own questions, doubts, and hopes, longing to understand the things of God.

Jesus said to him, and Jesus says to us, “No one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit.” It is the gift of God’s mercy and grace.

God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that all who believe in Him might not perish but have eternal life.

So we come, Father, in our own darkness, to profess our belief, to offer our worship, to bring a sacrifice of praise to you. Praise to you Father, for meeting us right where we are and calling us into the light of Christ. Amen and amen!

+HYMN OF PRAISE 576 *I Stand Amazed in the Presence* MY SAVIOR’S LOVE

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.

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MESSAGE IN SONG Mr. Martin

How Great Thou Art
Arr. Dan Forrest

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON 1 Chronicles 29:10-13 Mrs. Claire Presley
In Pew Bible, page 479 of Old Testament

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

Thanks be to God.

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Mr. Martin

GLORIA PATRI

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end, Amen, Amen!

Dr. Bazemore

In Pew Bible, page 114 of New Testament

Thanks be to God.

Dr. Bazemore

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.

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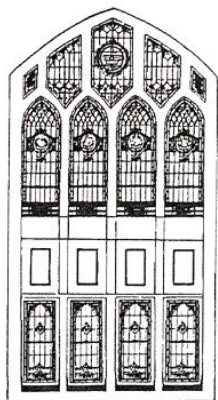
Dr. Bazemore

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.

+Those who are able are invited to stand.

Today's altar flowers are given by Ernie & Austine Evans to the glory of God and in loving memory their daughter, Dr. Tina Evans Wood.

Mr. Jordan Martin
Organist



A Window on the Weeks Ahead

July 13, 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: Kay Byrd & Taylor F. Rose

Ages 3 & 4: David & Elizabeth Davis

Kindergarten: Lily Ann Brinkley & Winnie Matthews

✠ Adjusted Summer Hours | Through August 31, 2025

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

✠ Upcoming Meetings

Building & Grounds | Monday, July 14, 2025 | 7:00 PM

Deacons' | Tuesday, July 15, 2025 | 7:00 PM

✠ VBS Volunteers Needed

We are seeking volunteers to assist the children during opening and closing worship and to take them to their different rotations. We also need volunteers to help with decorating. If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Kari Pierce at (252) 217-8017.

✠ Save The Dates | Vacation Bible School | July 29 - 31 | 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM

✠ Worship Decorating Committee Advent Planning & Banners

It is hard to believe, but the Worship Decorating Committee is already planning for Advent! We have some Chrismon's in need of repair and we would also like to make some new ones. We are also trying to repair and make some new banners. We don't want to have all the fun, so we are inviting others to help. Many of you may have made them in the past and we need your expertise! If you are interested in helping with this project, there will be a sign-up sheet on the second-floor bulletin board. Dates will be determined based upon interest.

✠ Faithful & Free Bicentennial History Books

We have Faithful and Free Bicentennial History books available for pick up at each church entrance. Written by Dr. Jesse J. Croom, his vision for these books would provide a love for our heritage, hope for our future and thanks to our loving God. Please consider making a donation to our Heritage and Hope Fund.

✠ The Gathering Place Ahoskie Needs

The Gathering Place needs used household furniture (pots, pans, couches, etc.) and hygiene items (toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo/conditioner, razors, feminine products, bodywash, deodorant.)

✘ **Join The Choir for One Sunday**

July 20 Men's Choir | July 27 Women's Choir | Ages 6th Grade - Still Breathing

It's just a one Sunday commitment, and we're coming after you! We'll meet in the choir room at 9:30 AM and learn an anthem for 10:00 AM worship. Contact Greg Barmer at (252)362-1195 with questions.

✘ **Women's Bible Study | July 17 & 31 | 10:30 AM**

✘ **No Choir Rehearsals | Through July 30**