

THE CHURCH IN WORSHIP  
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 2, 2017 Eleven O'clock

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

The Prelude "Fanfare" Nicolas Jacques Lemmens  
"Festival Fanfare on *God of our Fathers*" J. Wayne Kerr

The Trinity Chimes

*Three chimes are sounded, awakening us to the presence of God, alerting us to the voice of Christ, centering us in the embrace of the Spirit. As we gather, we present ourselves "as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is our spiritual worship."*

The Call to Worship (responsive) from Psalm 89

LEADER: I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

PEOPLE: **I declare that your steadfast love is established forever; your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.**

LEADER: You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to my servant David:

PEOPLE: **"I will establish your descendants forever, and build your throne for all generations."**

LEADER: Happy are the people who know the festal shout, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your countenance;

PEOPLE: **they exult in your name all day long, and extol your righteousness.**

LEADER: For you are the glory of their strength; by your favor our horn is exalted.

PEOPLE: **For our shield belongs to the Lord, our king to the Holy One of Israel.**

The Invocation Mary Alice Seals

\*The Hymn of Praise, 25 ANDREWS  
"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

The Greeting of Worshipers

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

The Hebrew Bible Jeremiah 28:5-9 (p. 638)

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The Christian Testament Romans 6:12-23 (p. 917)

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The Prayer for Our Nation (unison)†

(text omitted)

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

The Gospel Matthew 10:40-42 (p. 791)

LEADER: This is the Gospel of Christ.

PEOPLE: **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

\*The Hymn of Devotion, 433 GERMANY  
"Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"

The Sermon Christopher Chapman  
"What Is at Stake in Simple Acts of Hospitality"

RESPONDING IN FAITH

The Invitation to Christian Discipleship

*If you desire membership in this congregation, you are invited to present yourself during the singing of the Hymn of Discipleship. As an open membership church, we honor your previous baptism in any other Christian community. If you have not made a confession of faith, we invite you to do so and receive Christian baptism. Church members are invited to use this time to reflect upon their covenantal relationship with God and their commitment to Christian service.*

\*The Hymn of Discipleship, 507 FINLANDIA  
"I Then Shall Live"

\*The Offertory Prayer Charles Gale

The Offertory Anthem arr. by David Schwoebel  
"The Servant Song"

\*The Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly host:  
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

DEPARTING TO SERVE

\*The Benediction

\*The Chimes

*Three chimes are sounded, sending us into the world with the love of God, the Good News of Jesus Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit. As you go, remember, "you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people."*

\*The Postlude "Minuet from Fireworks Music" G. F. Handel

\*The congregation may stand.

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WORSHIP ASSISTANTS are Emily and Faith Hoover.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS are given by Alvah Ward Jr, in memory of Rachel T. Ward and in honor of her July birthday.

DEACON ON CALL is Charles Gale. A 9-year member and first-term deacon, Charles teaches in the Pre-Kindergarten/Kindergarten Sunday School class. He is a member of the Information Management Committee and the Youth Ministry Council. Charles is a coach for the Youth basketball team and is a member of the Adult softball team.

ABOUT OUR WORSHIP: Today is the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, part of what we often call Ordinary Time, and the closest Sunday to Independence Day. While our worship is shaped by the Christian calendar and centered in biblical texts arranged in a three-year cycle of readings called a lectionary, we are also sensitive to the secular calendar, key events in our culture which shape everyday life. Thus, we include in today's service a prayer for our nation (after having spent an hour in focused prayer together during Sunday School) and we consider national implications of the calling to practice hospitality found in the reading from Matthew. The sermon explores many implications of this calling which is central to Christian discipleship – personal implications, church implications, and national implications. While we may have different views on specific political policies, we share a common calling to extend hospitality to the people we encounter, to share a cup of cold water with the "little ones" of our world. The hymns we sing offer praise to the God who extends hospitality to us and invite us to consider our calling to reflect God's character in all that we say and do. The anthem lifts up service as a central Christian practice and we are sent forth to live out each day what we claim to believe in this place.

THOSE WHO ARE VISITING are invited to the Gathering Room after worship to receive information about the church. Use the door to the left of the pulpit; church members will greet you.

HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES are available in the Gathering Room. An usher can provide a device for you.

AN OFFERING for the Mike Morris Fellowship Fund is received the first Sunday of each month. This fund helps persons seeking emergency aid. Collection baskets are at each exit.

HECK-JONES OFFERING: As of June 25, we have received \$8,694 towards our goal of \$10,000.

GUEST SPEAKER: Daniel Ray will be our guest preacher next Sunday, July 9. His final Sunday with us will be July 30. Please make plans to attend and show your gratitude for Daniel and his ministry here at FBC.

SUMMER SOCIAL: On Sunday, July 9, at 5:00 p.m. we'll gather in the Fellowship Hall for a covered dish meal and a night of fun! Please bring enough food for your family plus one.

MISSION TRIP to Helena, Arkansas, will be July 15-22. Donations of gently-used towels and spray-on sunscreen are being collected. Contact Dan Roberts (danroberts@gmail.com).

COOKBOOK FUNDRAISER: Sales of our reprint of the 1997 *First Baptist Cooks* are underway and it's time to collect recipes for the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary FBC cookbook. Submit recipes in typical format: ingredients, mixing instructions and baking instructions to Susan Kimball (susankimball@gmail.com) by August 1. Please feel free to add a brief comment about your recipe and how it is special to you and your family.

COMING SOON will be two additional ways to contribute and make payments to FBC. The "GIVE+" app, available at the Apple App Store and Google Play, may be used to make contributions to the general budget, our three mission offerings, and the Mike Morris Fellowship Fund. The second option is a credit/debit card kiosk to be located on the second floor of the Lewis Building. You will be able to make specific payments for trips, events, meals, etc. through the kiosk. For more information see the June 23 edition of *First Foundations* or contact Wayne Hager (whager@fbcraleigh.org or 919-832-4485, ext. 207).

FIFTH SUNDAY VESPERS SERVICE will be held on July 30, at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

CHURCH SOFTBALL fall team is being considered. Games are played Tuesday and Thursday evenings, from late August into October. Contact Lin Carter (lcarter@fbcraleigh.org).

CLOTHING MINISTRY is in need of men's short-sleeve shirts and t-shirts, all sizes.

### Calendar Highlights July 2 - 9

- Sun, July 2  
9:45 Adult Sunday School Assembly (FH)  
Sunday School  
11:00 Worship (S)  
Japanese Worship (227)  
5:30 Youth Group (Blue Room)
- Tues, July 4 *Independence Day*  
Church office **closed**
- Wed, July 5  
10:00 High School Bible Study (Blue Rm)  
Clothing Ministry **closed**  
7:00 Sanctuary Choir (310)
- Thu, July 6  
11:00 Library Committee (L)  
Thirty-Niners to McCall's BBQ  
1:00 Clothing Ministry **closed**
- Sun, July 9  
9:45 Sunday School  
11:00 Worship, Communion  
Japanese Worship (227)  
5:00 Summer Social (FH)  
Passport Kids  
(return 7/12)  
HS Youth to Kure Beach  
(return 7/13)



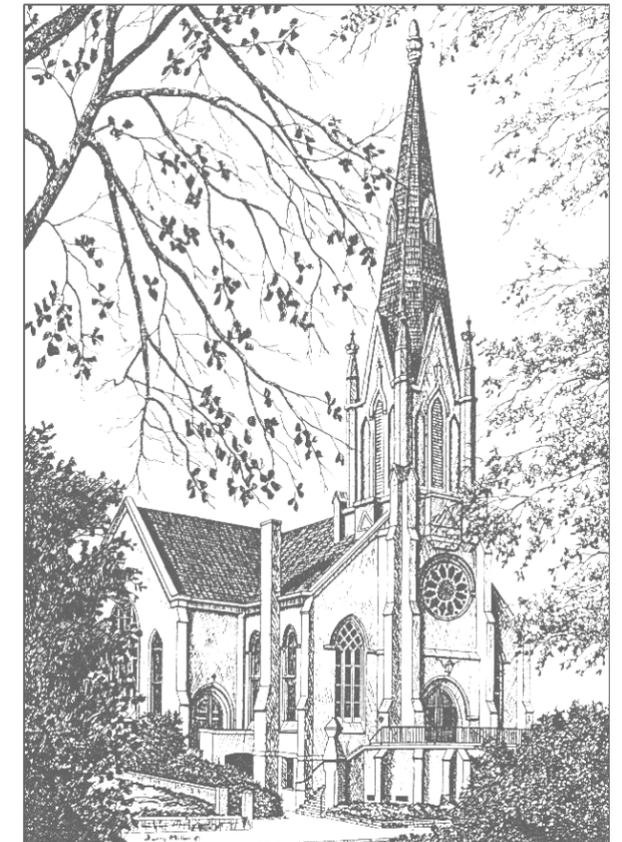
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