

THE CHURCH IN WORSHIP  
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 25, 2017

Eleven O'clock

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

The Prelude Charles-Marie Widor  
"Andante cantabile from Symphony IV"

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)<sup>1</sup>

(text omitted)

The Celebration of Baptism  
Candidate: Emory Vaughn Jackson

The Prayer of Blessing and Commitment Lynn Lingafelt

\*The Hymn of Praise BEACH SPRING  
"Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters"<sup>2</sup>

(text omitted)

The Greeting of Worshipers

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

The Hebrew Bible Genesis 21:8-21 (p. 15)  
LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.  
PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The Christian Testament Romans 6:1-11 (p. 917)  
LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.  
PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

The Gospel Matthew 10:24-39 (p. 791)  
LEADER: This is the Gospel of Christ.  
PEOPLE: **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

\*The Hymn of Devotion, 720 ODE TO JOY  
"Christ, Whose Purpose Is to Kindle"

The Sermon Christopher Chapman  
"There Is Meaning in Our Mode of Baptism"

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, 576 ASSAM  
"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"  
(Children are asked to join Susan Stevens in the narthex so they may participate in the dedication of Annalyn Sueling.)

\*The Offertory Prayer Ann Rollins

The Offertory Anthem "Kumbaya" arr. Paul Sjolund

\*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.**

The Dedication of Annalyn Rae Sueling, daughter of Emma Skirvin and Andrew Sueling

LEADER: The nurture of children in faith is a sacred privilege and awesome responsibility. It begins with the

commitment of parents and includes the love of the whole congregation. Today we present Annalyn Rae Sueling to the church and dedicate her to God. Who brings this child for this holy purpose?

PARENTS: *We, her parents, do.*

LEADER: What can we affirm about Annalyn?

PEOPLE: **That she is a child of God by creation, made in the image of God.**

LEADER: As Annalyn grows in her understanding of God and herself, how will we help her to learn about her true status as beloved?

PEOPLE: **We will give her our love and include her in the life of the congregation.**

LEADER: As Annalyn grows through different stages of life, what will we tell her about her story?

PEOPLE: **We will tell her about Abraham and Sarah, about Mary and Joseph, about Jesus and the people who have sought to follow him in this place.**

LEADER: What will we expect of Annalyn?

PEOPLE: **We will look to the day when she will sit with us at the Lord's Table, declare faith in Jesus Christ, and confirm the heritage we seek to pass on to her.**

LEADER: Emma and Andrew, do you, as parents, embrace your primary responsibility to nurture Annalyn in faith?

PARENTS: *Yes, we do, for we long to pass on our heritage to her.*

LEADER: Do you, the members of First Baptist Church, pledge to work toward creating a nurturing environment for Annalyn and all the children God entrusts to our care?

PEOPLE: **Yes, we do, for these children belong to us as well.**

LEADER: Then may God be with us and help us.

ALL: **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 "Choral Song" Samuel Wesley

\*The congregation may stand.

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SANCTUARY FLOWERS are given in honor of Dick and Sonia Moore by their children in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

DEACON ON CALL is Bob Kimball. A 28-year member, Bob serves on the Ministry to Internationals and Shelter Ministries committees. He is a member of the Pathfinders Sunday School class. Bob and his wife Susan have two children, Elliott and Ginny.

**ABOUT OUR WORSHIP:** Today is the Third Sunday after Pentecost, a part of what is called Ordinary Time. We continue to wear stoles made by the church as a part of the Ordinary Time Green Stole Project and invite you to find your contribution to these stoles and the altar covering on the communion table. The stoles provide a symbol of our diverse community and the worship we offer to God.

We begin worship today with the celebration of baptism and end with a child dedication, linking the commitments we make and the prayers we offer young children and their parents with the fulfillment found in professions of faith and Christian discipleship. In between these two sacred rituals, we sing hymns of praise and devotion, offer prayers of thanks and intercession, and listen for the voice of God speaking through the reading and interpretation of Holy Scripture. The sermon explores imagery the Apostle Paul provides in the reading from Romans 6, imagery that portrays not only salvation, but Christian faith as a whole. As we are buried with Christ in death, we are raised to walk in newness of life. This newness includes not only life after death, but transformed life right now, one sign of which is found in our new Ordinary Time stoles.

**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.

**HECK-JONES OFFERING:** As of June 18, we have received \$8,144 towards our goal of \$10,000.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSEMBLY:** Adult Sunday School classes will gather in the Fellowship Hall next Sunday, July 2, at 9:45 a.m.

**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 17-21. Donations of gently-used towels and spray-on sunscreen are being collected. Contact Dan Roberts (danrobs@gmail.com).

**COOKBOOK FUNDRAISER:** Sales of our reprint of the 1997 *First Baptist Cooks* are underway and it's time to submit recipes for the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary FBC cookbook. To submit recipes (due by August 1) or to help with typing, please e-mail Susan Kimball (susanekimball@gmail.com).

**COMING SOON** will be two additional ways to make contributions and 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).

**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).

### Calendar Highlights June 25 ☼ July 2

Sun, June 25	Family Promise of Wake County (through 7/1)
9:45	Sunday School
11:00	Worship, Baptism (S) Japanese Worship (227)
5:30	MS Youth Group (Bojangles' and Blue Ridge Theatre)
Mon, June 26	CBF General Assembly in Atlanta, GA (through 6/30)
9:00	Vacation Bible School
Tues, June 27	9:00 Vacation Bible School 2:00 Ministerial Staff Meeting (CR) 6:00 Theology on Tap (Raleigh Times)
Wed, June 28	9:00 Vacation Bible School 10:00 Clothing Ministry open
Thu, June 29	7:00 Band of Brothers (CR) 9:00 Vacation Bible School 11:00 Library Committee (L) 1:00 Clothing Ministry open
Fri, June 30	9:00 Vacation Bible School
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)

**HOLIDAY CLOSINGS:** The church office will be closed on Tuesday, July 4; the Clothing Ministry will be closed on Wednesday, July 5, and Thursday, July 6.

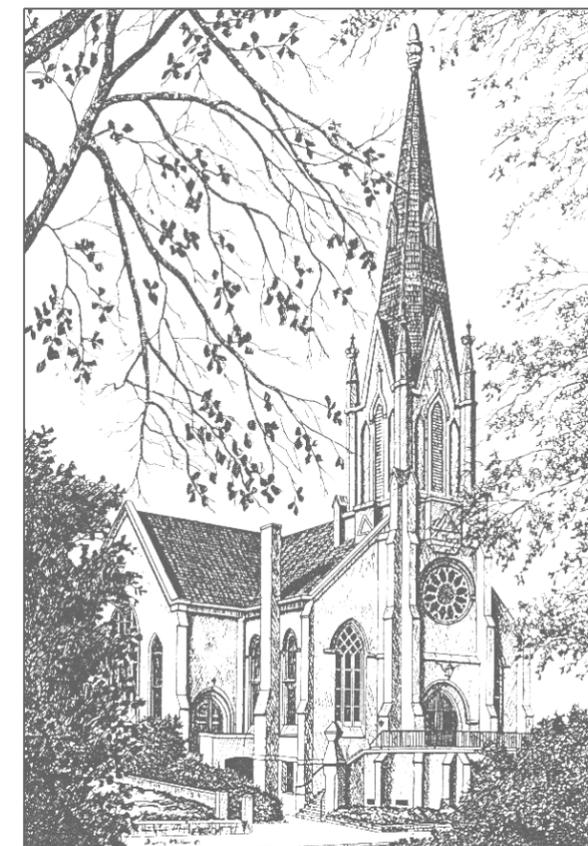
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