

THE CHURCH IN WORSHIP  
NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 22, 2018

Eleven O'clock

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

The Prelude Felix Mendelssohn  
"Allegro moderato e serio from First Sonata"

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) Psalm 23

LEADER: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

PEOPLE: **He makes me lie down in green pastures;**

LEADER: He leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul.

PEOPLE: **He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.**

LEADER: Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil;

PEOPLE: **for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me.**

LEADER: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

PEOPLE: **you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.**

LEADER: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

PEOPLE: **and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

The Invocation Trey Davis

\*The Hymn of Praise, 77 LOBE DEN HERREN  
"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

The Greeting of Worshipers

The Mission Moment Kim Wyatt

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

The Hebrew Bible 2 Samuel 7:1-14a (p. 245)

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The Christian Testament Ephesians 2:11-22 (p. 950)

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

The Gospel Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 (p. 818)

LEADER: This is the Gospel of Christ.

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

\*The Hymn of Devotion, 408 LAND OF REST  
"Here, Master, in This Quiet Place"

The Sermon Christopher Chapman  
"Not Getting Ahead of God"

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, 521 NYLAND  
"In Heavenly Love Abiding"

\*The Offertory Prayer Tom Childrey

The Offertory Anthem Claude Bass  
"Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts"

\*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 "Intermezzo VI" Hermann Schroeder

\*The congregation may stand.

MANY THANKS to Paul Smith for conducting the choir today.

The WORSHIP ASSISTANTS are Philip Lingafelt and Claire Willmschen.

The SANCTUARY FLOWERS are given by Shirley and John Hobson, Lauren, Nick and Caroline Bradley, Joanne and Randy Canady and Donna and Keith Hardin in honor of Mrs. Polly Wilkins Garrard on her 95th birthday.

The DEACON ON CALL is Tom Childrey. A 25-year member of First Baptist, Tom is a member of the Formations Sunday School Class. He and his wife Maria have three daughters: Katie, Ann and Caroline.

ABOUT OUR WORSHIP: Today is the Ninth Sunday after Pentecost, a part of what is called Ordinary Time in the Christian year. The liturgical color for this season is green, a symbol of growth for individuals and the church. The stoles we wear were made last year by church members using materials collected by church members. Thus, they serve as symbols of this growing community of faith.

Throughout this season, we have been following the historical narratives of ancient Israel and reflecting upon their implications for contemporary life. Today, we examine David's desire to build God a house, as described in 2 Samuel 7, and God's response to that desire. David's experience offers a reminder that we are wise to seek God's counsel for our endeavors before we get too far in developing plans for them. The reading from Mark reminds us that life often interrupts our plans anyway (Jesus seeks time away but is followed by people everywhere he goes), but somehow God's ultimate purposes are still achieved (Jesus extends compassion to all in need). We offer prayers that we might be in tune with God's desires and sing hymns that offer praise to the God who guides us every day.

We also hear today a brief update from CBF missions partner Kim Wyatt. For the past several years, Kim and her husband Marc have been working with immigrants and refugees in the Triangle (after many years of doing similar work in Canada), during which time we have been privileged to participate in their ministry. This is one endeavor we trust to be at the center of God's calling for us as followers of Jesus in this time.

The ROSE ON THE ALTAR is given in celebration of the July 12 birth of **Ava Lucille Harker** to Adam and Anza Harker.

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.

BLOOD DRIVE: Today FBC is hosting a second blood drive. If you are eligible, please consider donating to save a life. See Trey Davis for information.

On Sunday, July 29, WE WILL WELCOME TO THE PULPIT Patricia Ihlenfeldt, Director of the Women's Department for the Baptist Union of Southern Africa. She will talk about her ministry of reconciliation in South Africa and thus provide a helpful framework for our VBS theme of peacemaking.

There will be a CALLED CHURCH CONFERENCE next Sunday, July 29 immediately following worship to consider a recommendation from the facilities assessment committee regarding a study of the church parking lot.

VESPERS SERVICE: On July 29, at 5:45 p.m., we'll kick off our week of Bible School with a Vespers Service. In lieu of our typical VBS classes this night, we'll have a time of worship to introduce our theme in a personal way. We'll enjoy a cool and tasty dessert in the Fellowship Hall afterwards.

JULY MISSION PROJECT: We're partnering with Urban Ministries to participate in their *Fight Hunger Food Drive*. Donations of non-perishable food (cereal, oatmeal, brown rice, canned fruit and vegetables, and canned tuna and chicken) may be placed in bins on the stage in the Fellowship Hall. No glass, please. Monetary donations may be given at [urbanmin.org/fight-hunger](http://urbanmin.org/fight-hunger).

The HECK-JONES OFFERING provides a way for our congregation to connect to mission work with ties to our church. As of July 15, we have received \$9,825 toward our goal of \$10,000.

The CLOTHING MINISTRY is in need of men's clothing, particularly sizes small and medium shirts and pants; and empty prescription medicine bottles.

FAMILY PROMISE: Working with Family Promise the week of September 2-9, FBC will be hosting families experiencing homelessness. Please contact Holly Ivel ([hi2810@bellsouth.net](mailto:hi2810@bellsouth.net) or 919-628-9850) to volunteer. A schedule and details may be found at <http://fbcraleigh.org/familypromise/>.

### Calendar Highlights July 22 - 29, 2018

- Sun, July 22  
9:45 Sunday School  
11:00 Worship (S)  
Japanese Worship (227)  
12:15 Blood Drive (FH)  
5:30 Youth Group (Blue Room)
- Tues, July 24  
10:00 Ministerial Staff Meeting (CR)  
6:00 Theology on Tap (Raleigh Times)
- Wed, July 25  
10:00 Clothing Ministry open  
HS Bible Study (Blue Rm)  
7:00 Choir Rehearsal (310)
- Thu, July 26  
11:00 Library Committee (L)  
1:00 Clothing Ministry open
- Sun, July 29  
9:45 Sunday School  
11:00 Worship (S)  
Japanese Worship (227)  
12:00 Called Church Conference (S)  
5:00 VBS Dinner (FH)  
5:45 Vespers Service (S)  
6:45 Dessert Social (FH)



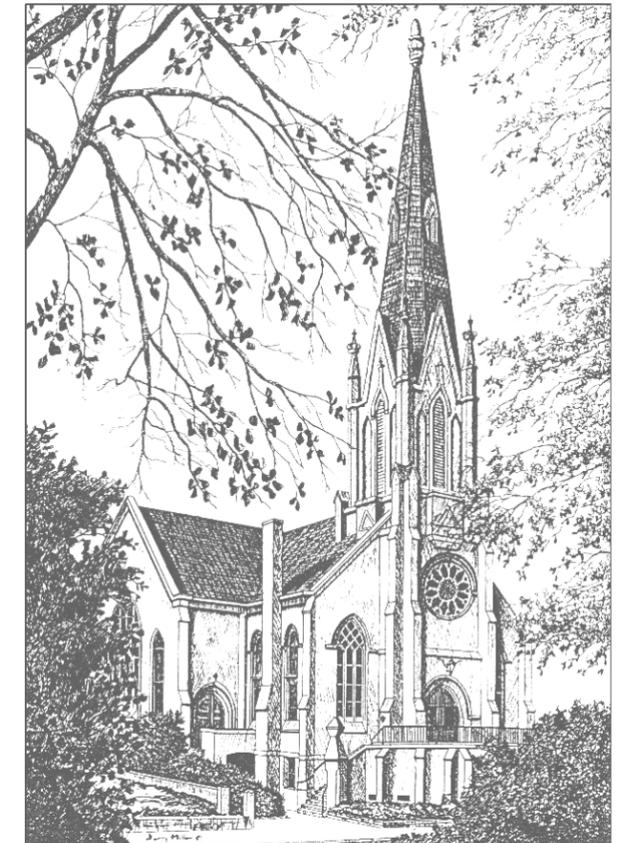
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