

THE CHURCH IN WORSHIP
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 18, 2018

Eleven O'clock

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

The Prelude "Now Thank We All Our God" Sigfrid Karg-Elert

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 16

LEADER: The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

PEOPLE: **The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage.**

LEADER: I keep the Lord always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

PEOPLE: **Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.**

LEADER: For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the Pit.

PEOPLE: **You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

The Invocation Trey Davis

*The Hymn of Praise, 8 MIT FREUDEN ZART
"All Glory Be to God on High"

The Greeting of Worshipers

The Stewardship Moment Jeff Hobart

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

The Hebrew Bible Daniel 12:1-3 (p. 729)

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The Christian Testament Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25 (p. 976)

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

The Gospel Mark 13:1-8 (p. 825)

LEADER: This is the Gospel of Christ.

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

*The Hymn of Devotion, 517 "The Solid Rock" SOLID ROCK

The Sermon Christopher Chapman
"How to Balance Our Love for Buildings with an Awareness of Their Transience"

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, 700 SYMPHONY
"We Are God's People"

*The Offertory Prayer Marchelle Flowers

The Offertory Anthem "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" arr. Gilbert Martin

*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 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" Piet Post

*The congregation may stand.

The SANCTUARY FLOWERS are given in loving memory of Bob Edwards by Nancy Edwards and daughters, Carol and Susan.

The DEACON ON CALL is Marchelle Flowers. A 43-year member, Marchelle serves as a teacher for the Grade 3 Sunday School Class, as the Social Committee Chair, and is a member of the Sanctuary Choir. Marchelle is married to Greg Flowers.

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.

ABOUT OUR WORSHIP

Today is the Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost, a part of what is called Ordinary Time in the Christian year. As we near the end of this season and the Christian year as a whole, we read texts from Daniel and Mark which use apocalyptic images to point to God's ultimate victory over all that would oppose God. Next Sunday, the Reign of Christ Sunday, concludes the Christian year by underscoring the nature and significance of Christ's reign. The texts and themes we consider these weeks provide an appropriate conclusion to our cycle of readings and our journey of following Jesus throughout the year. The sermon explores the reading from Mark in more detail, focusing on the destruction of the temple in Jerusalem and what this narrative might suggest about our attachment to buildings. The hymns offer praise to God while emphasizing the role of Christ as the true foundation of the church, the solid rock on which we stand, the cornerstone of a temple made not of bricks and mortar but flesh and blood. The anthem celebrates the faithfulness of God and the stewardship word challenges us to respond to God's faithfulness with our own commitment.

REACHING OUT FOR EACH OTHER; REACHING UP TO TOUCH GOD: Please prayerfully consider your 2019 financial commitment and return your pledge card to the church office as soon as possible. 86 pledge cards totaling \$499,044 have been received.

GUEST SPEAKER: Dr. Chapman will be on vacation Monday, November 19, through Sunday, November 25. In his absence next Sunday, we are grateful that our newest minister will be preaching. Please be in prayer for Rev. Leah Reed and support her with your presence.

NOVEMBER MISSION PROJECT: TOY JOY. (This event will take place on Saturday, December 8, from 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.) Donations and volunteers are needed! Please sort and place your donations of new and gently-used toys in the labeled baskets (available on Wednesdays and Sundays through November 28 in the hallway leading to the Preschool Suite). Financial donations are also being accepted. Make checks payable to First Baptist and mark TOY JOY in the memo line. To volunteer, please contact Anne Cooke (cooke76@aol.com). For information, contact Carol Blanchard (artsyncgal@nc.rr.com) or Sabrina Tyndall (tyndalls@bellsouth.net).

INTERGENERATIONAL MORAVIAN STAR WORKSHOP will be held on **Saturday, December 15**, from 4:00 until 7:00 p.m. Come create a beautiful, 3D Moravian Star out of paper and glue for your household and learn the origin of this beautiful tradition. Dinner will be provided (\$5.00 per person). Please sign up with Lynn (lilingafelt@fbcraleigh.org) by Sunday, November 25.

REMEMBER A LOVED ONE with a donation toward the purchase of holiday decorations for our sanctuary during Advent and Christmas. Forms, found in Sunday School boxes or the November 9 edition of *First Foundations*, must be received with payment by Friday, November 30.

HANGING OF THE GREENS will be held on Sunday, December 2, at 6:00 p.m. followed by a reception. Please sign up (sheets are located in SS boxes and the church office) if you can make 2-3 dozen cookies. Please bring the cookies to the kitchen on Sunday morning, December 2.

CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST FOR MEN'S SHELTER: If you are interested in volunteering (loading, serving, handing out gifts), please sign up on the website (www.fbcraleigh.org). If you would like to donate toward the cost of breakfast or hooded sweatshirts, snacks, etc. given away in "goodie bags," turn in your donation marked "Christmas Morning Breakfast" to the financial administrator. For information, contact Leah Reed (lreed@fbcraleigh.org) or Dan Roberts (danrobts@gmail.com).

CLOTHING MINISTRY is in need of full-size blankets and winter clothing, especially for children.

THANKSGIVING WEEK SCHEDULE

- No mid-week activities
- Clothing Ministry closed on November 21 and 22
- Church Office closed on November 22 and 23

Calendar Highlights November 18 – 25, 2018

Sun, November 18
8:30 Toy Joy Committee (FH)
Welcome Committee (CR)
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service (S)
Japanese Worship (227)
12:15 Nominating Committee (301)
Social Committee (FH)
4:00 Youth Bells (307)
5:00 Youth Choir (310)
6:00 Youth Group (FH)
Mon, November 19
9:30 Weekday Preschool
11:00 Sisters in Grace (P)
Tues, November 20
9:30 Weekday Preschool Thanksgiving Feast (FH)
10:00 Ministerial Staff Meeting (CR)
10:30 WMU Group 2 (Springmoor)
6:00 Theology on Tap (Raleigh Times)
Wed, November 21
10:00 Clothing Ministry closed
No afternoon/evening activities
Thu, November 22 **Thanksgiving Day**
Church office closed
Fri, November 23
Church office closed
Sun, November 25
9:45 Adult Sunday School Assembly (FH)
11:00 Worship Service (S)
Japanese Worship (227)



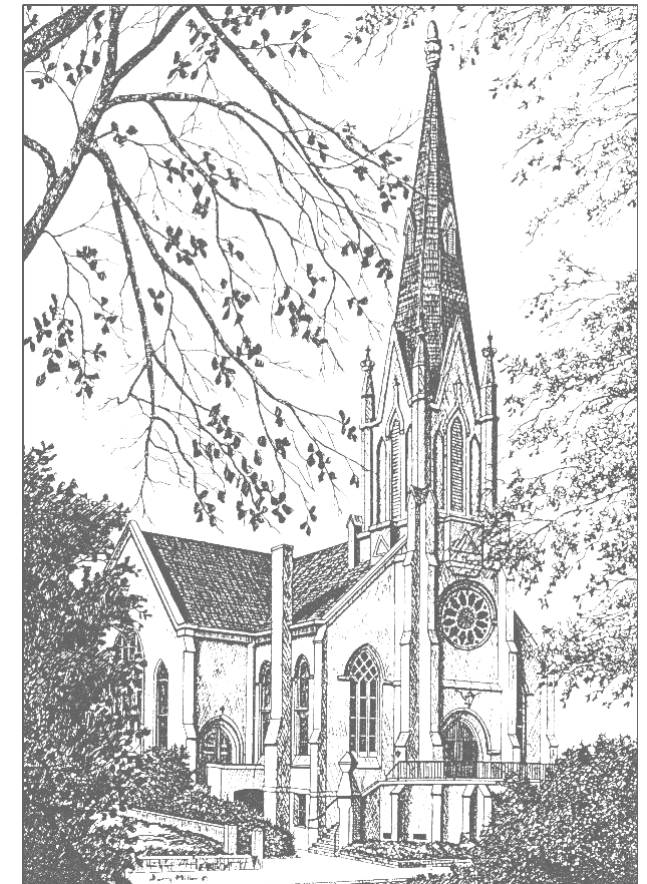
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