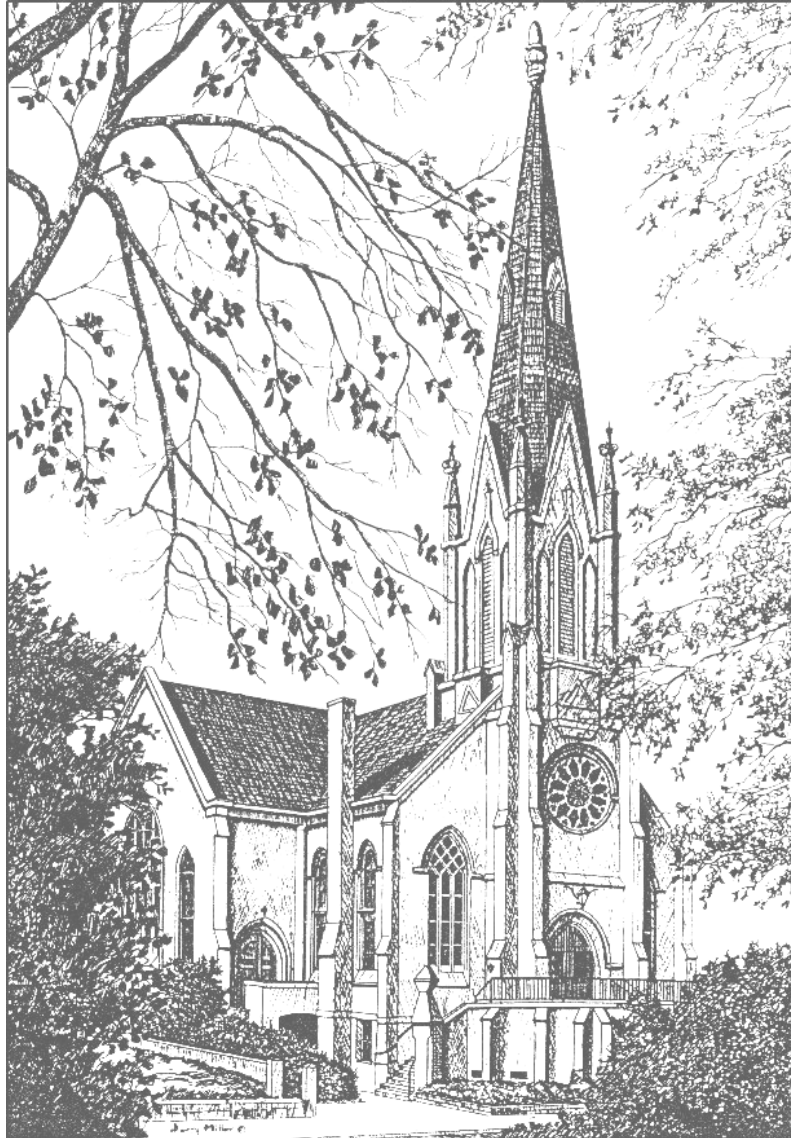


FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
RALEIGH, NC

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November 1, 2020

THE CHURCH IN WORSHIP
ALL SAINTS DAY

November 1, 2020

Eleven o'clock

About our Worship: Today is All Saints Day, an ancient Christian celebration dating back at least to the fifth century C.E. It is the day when we remember all the saints of the church universal, especially the members of this church family we have lost during the past year, who have preceded us into eternity. As a part of this recognition and celebration, we sing hymns that proclaim eternal hope, we read texts that assure us of our place in God's realm, we remember those we have lost in the past year, and because we will not be able to hold the annual Holiday Service of Hope and Remembrance this year due to COVID-19, we also list the names of extended family members we have lost this past year and hold all who grieve in our hearts not just today but throughout the holiday season. The call to prayer begins our time of remembrance in a beautiful and reflective way, the sermon explores the nature of genuine sainthood as revealed in the Beatitudes, and our second virtual celebration of communion during COVID-19 enables us to catch a glimpse of eternity, to taste and see that both God and life are good. We ask that you prepare bread or crackers and juice at home so that you are able to participate in this celebration.

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

The Greeting of Worshipers

The Prelude

"Shall We Gather at the River"
Sue Crocker, organ

arr. Dale Wood

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)

LEADER: We gather in this sacred time to ponder the meaning of eternity.

PEOPLE: **We acknowledge the limited nature of our lives and yet we catch a glimpse of eternity every day.**

LEADER: In the laughter of children and the tears of aging and ailing loved ones, in the joy of service and the healing of forgiveness—

PEOPLE: **We hear whispers of eternal hope.**

LEADER: The wisdom writer says that whatever God does endures forever.

PEOPLE: **Because we are the works of God, we claim our eternal status and worship the God who embraces us as beloved children.**

The Invocation

Michael Hood

1. For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, who thee by
 2. Thou wast their rock, their for - tress and their might; thou, Lord, their
 5. But then there breaks a yet more glo - rious day: the saints tri -
 6. From earth's wide bounds and o - cean's far - thest coast, through gates of

faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy name, O Je - sus, be for -
 cap - tain in the well - fought fight; ⁊ thou in the dark - ness drear, their
 um - phant rise in bright ar - ray; the King of glo - ry pass - es
 pearl stream in the count - less host, ⁊ sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and

ev - er blest.
 one true light. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 on his way.
 Ho - ly Ghost:

Harmony, stanzas 3 and 4.

3. O blest com - mun - ion, fel - low - ship di - vine! We fee - bly strug - gle;
 4. And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long, steals on the ear the

they in glo - ry shine. Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
 dis - tant tri - umph song, and hearts are brave a - gain and arms are strong.

(Sop.) Al - le - lu - ia!
 D.C. stanza 5, 6
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

The Hebrew Bible

Revelation 7:9–17

Lynn Lingafelt

⁹After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. ¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; ¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The Christian Testament

1 John 3:1–3

¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God**

The Call to Prayer

"A Time for All Things"²

Douglas Wagner

Tonya Carter, Catherine Carter, soloists

To everything there is a season, there is a time for all good things;
A time to plant and a time to reap, a time to lose, a time to keep;
A time to weep, a time to laugh, a time to mourn, a time to dance.
To everything there is a season; there is a time for all good things.
A time to follow, a time to lead, a time to speak and a time to heed;
A time to sleep, a time to wake, a time to give and a time to take.
For all these blessings of our God, are given us that we might have
A time to live and a time to share, a time to love and a time to care.

-adapted from Ecclesiastes

LEADER: For everything there is a season and a time for every matter under heaven.

PEOPLE: **A time to be born and a time to die, a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to grieve and a time to dance.**

LEADER: Now is our time to remember those who have preceded us across the river into the land of eternal joy.

PEOPLE: **A father, a mother, a sister, a brother, a son, a daughter, a husband, a wife, a friend closer than sister or brother.**

LEADER: We remember especially those who have made this journey in the last year: *Dorothy Brown, Ken Brown, Elizabeth Chamblee, Robert “Bob” Crocker, Graham Crutchfield, Jean Finch, Hazel Foster, Penny Frisbie, Polly Garrard, Newton Griffin, Sarah Hawks, Ione Knight, Mazie Mangum, Jay Massey, Hannah Scoggin, Robert “Bob” Scott.*

PEOPLE: **They were the ones who shaped us, who nurtured and taught and encouraged us.**

ALL: **Lord, make us more like the good that was in them, wiser through their gifts to us, richer through their belief in us, stronger through their faith in us, that as long as we live their good influence will live through us, as does the redeeming power of Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Morning Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

**Our Father,
who art in heaven.
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Gospel

Matthew 5:1–12

¹When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: ³“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ⁴Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. ⁵Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. ⁶Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. ⁷Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. ⁸Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. ⁹Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. ¹⁰Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

LEADER: This is the Gospel of Christ.

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

RESPONDING IN FAITH

The Celebration of Communion

The Invitation to the Table

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Bread Is Broken

The Cup Is Shared

The Hymn of Discipleship

“This Is the Threefold Truth”⁴

ACCLAMATIONS

1. This is the three-fold truth on which our faith de-pends;
2. Made sa-cred by long use, new-mint-ed for our time,
3. On this we fix our minds as, kneel-ing side by side,
4. By this we are up-held when doubt or grief as-sails,
5. This is the three-fold truth which, if we hold it fast,

and with this joy-ful cry wor-ship be-gins and ends:
our lit-ur-gies sum up the hope we have in him:
we take the bread and wine from him, the cru-ci-fied:
our Chris-tian for-ti-tude, and on-ly grace a-vails:
chang-es the world and us and brings us home at last:

Christ has died! Christ is ris-en! Christ will come a-gain!

DEPARTING TO SERVE

The Benediction⁵

O Lord, support us all the day long, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, Lord, in your mercy grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

“Sine Nomine”
Sue Crocker, organ

arr. Wilbur Held

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Our acolytes today are Matthew and Emily Taylor.

Sympathy to **Dot Broughton** on the October 29 death of her son, Tom Broughton, and to **Chad Reed** on the October 28 death of his father, Charles Reed.

Deacon elections are being held now through Sunday, November 15. You may submit your ballot (attached) in the ballot box in the portico at the McDowell Street parking lot door, by email to Jennie Herrick at jherrick@fbcraleigh.org, or by mailing it to the church office. Address questions to any of the current deacons.

Honoring our veterans: The church maintains a list of members who are military service veterans and those on active duty having connections to First Baptist. If you know of eligible individuals whose names have not previously been on these lists, please contact Jennie Herrick (jherrick@fbcraleigh.org or 919-832-4485).

Hurricane Relief Offering: As happened last year, instead of the usual breakdown for the fall NC Mission Offering, all money collected will go CBF Global Disaster Response to help our neighbors who are victims of hurricanes. Please join CBF in praying for those affected by the hurricanes and please give generously to this offering to support CBF Disaster Response’s relief and long-term recovery efforts. As of October 30, we have received \$2,150.00.

Calendar Highlights • November 1–6, 2020

Sunday, November 1

- 10:00 6th Grade Sunday School (Virtual)
- 7th and 8th Grade Sunday School (Zoom)
- High School Sunday School (Zoom/In-person TBD)
- Japanese Worship (301/302)
- 11:00 Virtual Worship Service (YouTube)
- 2:00 1st and 2nd Grade Sunday School (Zoom)
- 4:00 3rd–5th Grade Sunday School (Lingafelt yard)
- Three-year-olds–Kindergarten Sunday School (Zoom)
- 4:30 Youth Group (FBC parking lot and Zoom)
- 7:00 Minister of Music Search Committee Meeting (Zoom)

Tuesday, November 3

- 10:00 Ministerial Staff Meeting (Library or Zoom)
- 6:00 Theology on Tap (Zoom/In-person TBD)
- 6:15 Middle School Small Group (Zoom or 1107 Marlowe Road)
- 6:30 High School Bible Study (Helms' home)
- 7:30 Pathfinders Sunday School (Virtual)

Wednesday, November 4

- 5:30 1st –5th Grade Girls Music and Mission (TBD)
- 6:00 Centerpoint Program (Zoom)

Thursday, November 5

- 7:00 Band of Brothers (Virtual)
- 7:00 Nominating Committee Meeting (Zoom)

Saturday, November 6

- 9:00 Toy Joy Prep (1st, 2nd, and 3rd Floors)
- 1:00 Toy Joy Prep (1st, 2nd, and 3rd Floors)



IN MEMORIAM

NOVEMBER 3, 2019 – NOVEMBER 1, 2020

Jim Bales, uncle of Lynn and Alice Marshbanks

Betsy Ross Bare, daughter-in-law of Wayne and Anita Bare

Jerry Thomas Blanchard, Sr., father of Brantley Blanchard, Sr.

Bonnie, the wife of Gwen Cavin's first cousin

Tom Broughton, son of Dot Broughton

Lila Cleve, sister of Edith Cox

Leroy Cothran, uncle of Kathy Romeo

Cindy Crow, niece of Berti Stevens

Steve Davis, son of Pat Davis

Jean Day, sister-in-law of Berti Stevens

Chad Dorrill, roommate at ASU of Cameron Reynolds

Eric Freeman, cousin of Brett Freeman

Jimmy Frisbie, son of Peggy Frisbie

Steve Gaj, husband of Nancye Gaj

Fred Gardner, uncle of Dana Chapman

Ann Parker Garrison, sister of Frances Shell, aunt of John Shell, and great-aunt of Leah Shell Filomena

Reginald (Reggie) Graves, uncle of Mary Hauser

Mary Denton Gupton, mother of Paula Gupton Page

Helen Helms, grandmother of Chase Helms

Ben Henderson, brother of Barbara Jacobs

Earl Grey Jackson, brother of Mary Barham

Bobby Ray Johnson, uncle of Emily Johnson

Louise Josefczyk, grandmother of Holly Neal

Tim Lawson, cousin of Sheila Hite

James Lewter, grandfather of Fran Puryear's husband Jon

Bettie McKaig, college roommate and friend of Myra Brickell

Henry McLeod, father of Mary Powell Rhodes and grandfather of JD and Sarah Catherine Rhodes

Fran Means, sister of Cathy James

Monika Muse, daughter-in-law of Barbara Jacobs and sister-in-law of Tami Muse

Marc Phillips, brother-in-law of Royce Willmschen

Charles Reed, father of Chad Reed

Ward Franklin Rosen, father of Diane Ellis

Faydene Riley, mother of Dale Riley

Octavia Rivenbark, sister-in-law of Berti Stevens

Tom Shell, husband of Betsy Smith

Mary Lou Skirvin, mother of Rodger Skirvin

Phillip Sorrells, son of Dan Roberts' cousin

Stacey, aunt of Lizzy Sawyer of FBC youth group

Donald Stevens, brother-in-law of Berti Stevens

Margaret Sutton, first cousin of Max Johnson

Rev. Harold Syfrett, father of Marie Berry

Doris Talley, sister of Dorothy Preston and mother of Dorothy Holley and Bob Talley

Velma LeClaire Trimmer, sister of Charles Parker

Japanese Baptist Church member Tokiko Waters

Deacon Election — November 2020

Current membership of Deacons and others who are ineligible for election this year, including those who have requested not to be considered for election.

Bob Bailey
 Carl Bailey
 John Baldwin
 Charles Barham
 Margaret Barham
 Peggy Barham
 Evelyn Barrett
 Robert Barrett
 Jay Bissette
 Jennifer Bisette
 Lauren Bradley
 Myra Brickell
 Sterling Brickell
 Frances Brooks
 Anne Bullard
 Matt Bullard
 Janie Carothers
 Jay Carothers
 Linda Carothers
 Sam Carothers
 Tonya Carter
 Tom Childrey
 Ann Cobb
 Britt Cobb
 Austin Connors
 Betty Connors
 Anne Cooke
 Michael Cooke
 Meg Dare

Mike Dare
 Sarah David
 Carolyn Dickens
 Kent Dickens
 Mike Dodd
 Dennis Ellis
 Diane Ellis
 Sam Ewell
 Marchelle Flowers
 Derek Foster
 Jen Foster
 Dennis Francis
 Wes Fulk
 Nancye Gaj
 Charles Gale
 Amy Galvan
 Jaunffrey Galvan
 Jason Gardner
 Kati Gardner
 Ginger Graves
 Tyson Graves
 Mary Hauser
 Jessica Helms
 Dennis Herman
 John Hite
 Sheila Hite
 Jeff Hobart
 John Hobson
 Shirley Hobson

Dorothy Holley
 Chris Hoover
 Felicia Gore Hoover
 Barbara Huggins
 Nancy Hunter
 Holy Ivel
 Blair Jackson
 Cathy James
 Hayden James
 Barry Jones
 Beth Jones
 Lisa Jones
 David Kelley
 Jim Keown
 Bob Kimball
 Susan Kimball
 Divine Kumah
 Erika Kuma
 Sarah Lingafelt
 Rhonda Lowe
 Laura Maness
 Ron Maness
 Alice Marshbanks
 Lynn Marshbanks
 Becky Mercer
 Carol Millen
 Jim Millen
 Sonia Moore
 Betsy Neal

Chuck Nichols
 Janice Osborne
 Murphy Osborne
 Zach Padget
 Bob Page
 Judy Page
 Anthony Petty
 Charles Petty
 Jeremy Petty
 Nancy Moore Phillips
 Robert Ponton
 Will Poteat
 Pam Powell
 Robbie Puckett
 Dawn Raynor
 Mary Powell Rhodes
 Sarah Catherine Rhodes
 Linville Roach
 Mary Jon Roach
 Dan Roberts
 Linda Roberts
 Carol Rockey
 Ann Rollins
 Tom Rollins
 John Rusher
 Mary Nash Rusher
 Ebele Saint Louis
 Frances Shell
 John Shell

Carolyn Smith
 Harriet Smith
 John W. Smith
 Lee Smith
 Paul Smith
 Allison Strickland
 Matt Strickland
 Bob Talley
 Jennifer Talley
 Alan Taylor
 Kimberly Taylor
 Randy Tucker
 Chuck Underwood
 Mallory Underwood
 Laura Anne Vick
 Cara Lynn Vogel
 Jamie Vogel
 Dawn Wade
 Robert Wade
 Joe Webb
 Ryan Willis
 Royce Willmschen
 Hollis Yelverton
 Wyatt Yelverton
 Beth Yerxa

BALLOT FOR ELECTION – NOVEMBER 2020

Each member is allowed to name up to eight men and eight women.

No person listed above may be considered in this election.

MEN

WOMEN

1. _____
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