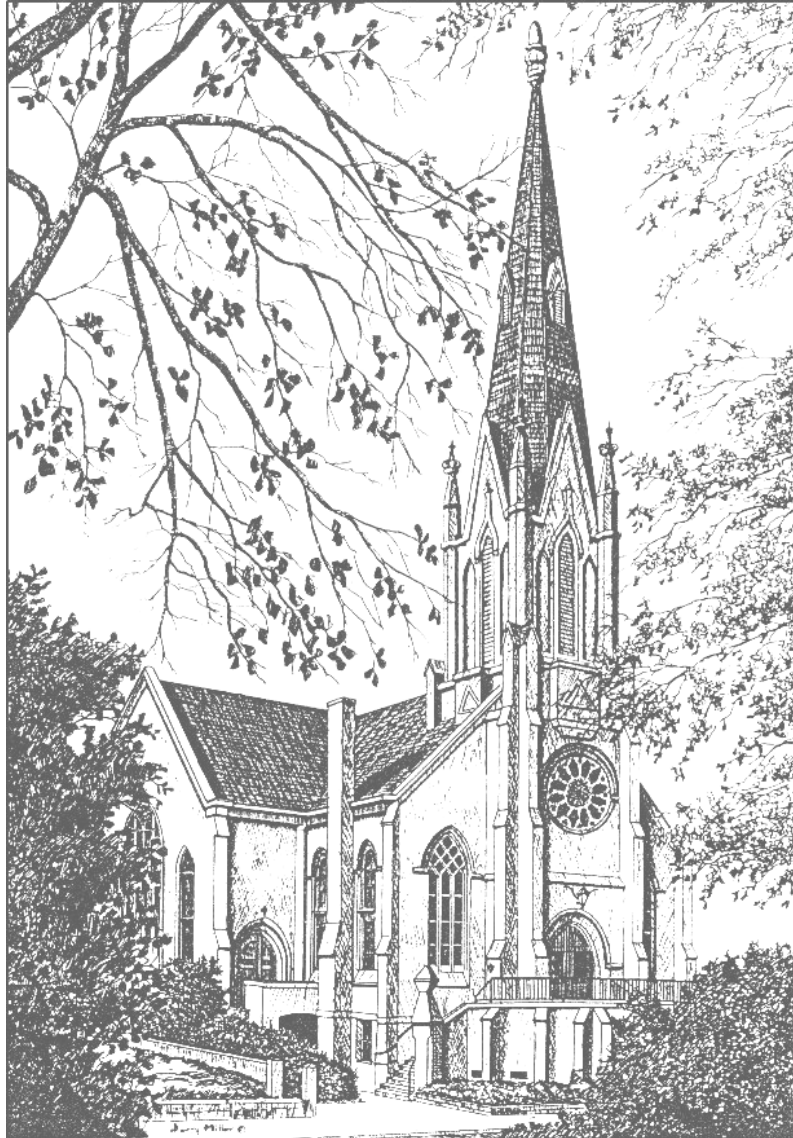


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October 17, 2021

THE CHURCH IN WORSHIP  
THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 17, 2021

Eleven o'clock

About our Worship: Today, as on most Sundays, our worship is shaped by the biblical texts appointed by the Revised Common Lectionary for this day in the Christian year. Some Sundays, the texts seem lengthy with at best limited connections. Other Sundays the texts are clearly intertwined but not always in helpful ways. The Gospel readings shape the other choices, which seems appropriate, but sometimes this subordinates the other texts or assumes a meaning prematurely. Such is the danger of today's texts. They are clearly intertwined — Isaiah presents an image of a suffering servant, Mark's Jesus talks about his suffering, and Hebrews describes Jesus as the Great High Priest who offers a sacrifice for others. But the juxtaposition of these texts can force a reading of Isaiah that not only presumes he is talking primarily about Jesus — and thus ignoring the needs of his own people — but also presents an image of a bloodthirsty God. We need not fall into this trap in order to embrace the broader teachings of these texts which concern the identity of Jesus and the value of servanthood. The more clearly we see who Jesus is, the more clearly we see our calling. We sing praise to the God who calls us to a life of self-giving love and we pray that we might pursue such a life for the benefit of the world around us and our own deep contentment.

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GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

The Greeting of Worshipers

Warren Howell

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 Prelude

"Andante (from *Violin Sonata #2 in A Minor*)" Jack Murray, saxophone  
J.S. Bach / Paul Halley, arr.

The Call to Worship (responsive)

from Psalm 91

LEADER: You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the Lord,

PEOPLE: **“My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust.”**

LEADER: Because you have made the Lord your refuge, the Most High your dwelling-place, no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.

PEOPLE: **For God will command angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.**

LEADER: On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.

PEOPLE: **You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.**

LEADER: Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name.

PEOPLE: **When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them.**

ALL: **With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.**

Refrain

God is my light. God is my sal - va - tion.

God is my light. Bless God's ho - ly name.

The Invocation

Christopher Chapman

1. All glo - ry be to God on high and thanks to him for -  
 2. O Fa - ther, for your lord-ship true we give you praise and  
 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son of God, cre - a - tion's  
 4. O Ho - ly Spir - it, per - fect gift, who brings us con - so -

ev - er! What - ev - er Sa - tan's host may try, God foils their dark  
 hon - or; we wor-ship you, we trust in you, we give you thanks  
 au - thor, re - deem - er of your wan - dering ones, and source of all  
 la - tion: to men and wo - men saved by Christ as - sure your in -

en - deav - or. He bends his ear to ev - ery call and  
 for - ev - er. Your will is per - fect, and your might re -  
 true plea - sure: O Lamb of God, O Lord di - vine, con -  
 spi - ra - tion. Through sick - ness, need, and bit - ter death, grant

of - fers peace, good - will to all, and calms the trou - bled spir - it.  
 lent - less - ly con - firms the right; your lord-ship is our bless - ing.  
 form our lives to your de - sign, and on us all have mer - cy.  
 us your warm, life - giv - ing breath; our lives are in your keep - ing.

WORDS: Nicolaus Decius, 1522; tr. Gilbert E. Doan, 1978; based on *Gloria in Excelsis Deo*  
 MUSIC: Bohemian Brethren's *Kirchengesänge*, Berlin, 1566; harm. Heinrich Reimann, 1895  
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## LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

The Hebrew Bible

Isaiah 53:4–12

Tom Rollins

<sup>4</sup>Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. <sup>5</sup>But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. <sup>6</sup>All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. <sup>7</sup>He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. <sup>8</sup>By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. <sup>9</sup>They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

<sup>10</sup>Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper. <sup>11</sup>Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. <sup>12</sup>Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The Christian Testament

Hebrews 5:1–10

<sup>1</sup>Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. <sup>2</sup>He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; <sup>3</sup>and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. <sup>4</sup>And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. <sup>5</sup>So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; <sup>6</sup>as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." <sup>7</sup>In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup>Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; <sup>9</sup>and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

Arise, my soul, arise! Stretch forth to things eternal,  
And haste thee to the feet of thy Redeemer God.  
Though hid from mortal eyes, he dwells in light supernal,  
Yet worship him in humbleness and own him Lord.  
His banquet of love awaits thee above;  
Behold the marriage festal of the Lamb is come!  
Rejoice, my soul, rejoice, to heaven lift up thy voice: Alleluia!  
List to the harps of heaven! Hark to the song victorious,  
The never-ending anthem sounding through the sky.  
To mortals is not given to chant its strains all glorious,  
Yet sing, my soul, the praise of him who reigns on high.  
Who bought with his blood the ransomed of God;  
To him be everlasting power and victory.  
And let the great Amen resound through heaven again. Alleluia!

## The Morning Prayer

Christopher Chapman

## 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

Mark 10:35–45

<sup>35</sup>James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” <sup>36</sup>And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” <sup>37</sup>And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” <sup>38</sup>But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” <sup>39</sup>They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; <sup>40</sup>but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.”

<sup>41</sup>When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. <sup>42</sup>So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. <sup>43</sup>But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup>and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup>For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

LEADER: This is the Gospel of Christ.

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

1. O Mas-ter, let me walk with thee in low-ly paths of ser-vice free;  
 2. Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, win-ning word of love;  
 3. Teach me thy pa-tience—still with thee in clos-er, dear-er com-pa-ny,  
 4. In hope that sends a shin-ing ray far down the fu-ture’s broad-en-ing way,  
 tell me thy se-cret: help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.  
 teach me the way-ward feet to stay, and guide them in the home-ward way.  
 in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that tri-umphs o-ver wrong;  
 in peace that on-ly thou canst give, with thee, O Mas-ter, let me live.

WORDS: Washington Gladden, 1879  
 MUSIC: H. Percy Smith, 1874

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The Sermon

“The Value of Servanthood”

Christopher Chapman

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.*



*Unison*

1. How clear is our vo - ca - tion, Lord, when  
 2. But if, for - get - ful, we should find your  
 3. We mar - vel how your saints be - come in  
 4. In what you give us, Lord, to do, to -

once we heed your call: to live ac - cord - ing  
 yoke is hard to bear; if world - ly pres - sures  
 hin - dranc - es more sure; whose joy - ful vir - tues  
 geth - er or a - lone, in old rou - tines and

to your word, and dai - ly learn, re - freshed, re - stored, that  
 fray the mind, and love it - self can - not un - wind its  
 put to shame the cas - ual way we wear your name, and  
 ven - tures new may we not cease to look to you, the

you are Lord of all, and will not let us fall.  
 tan - gled skein of care: our in - ward life re - pair.  
 by our faults ob - scure your power to cleanse and cure.  
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WORDS: Fred Pratt Green, 1981  
 MUSIC: C. Hubert H. Parry, 1888  
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DEPARTING TO SERVE

\*The Benediction

\*The Choral Benediction

The Lord bless you, the Lord keep you,  
The Lord give you peace. Amen.

— from Numbers 6

\*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

“Epilogue”  
Norman Gilbert

Maureen Howell, organ

\*The congregation may stand

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The Deacon on Call is Tom Rollins. A 37-year member of First Baptist, Tom serves as Church Treasurer and is a member of the Pathfinders Sunday School class. He and his wife Ann have three grown children: Charlotte, Michelle and Matthew.

The sanctuary flowers are given as a joyful celebration of Jack Edward Padget, born March 27, 2020, by his parents Zach Padget and Alison Coppock and his grandparents Susan Coppock, John Dougherty, Mary A. Tetro, and Jack Padget.

Sympathy to Ralph Cavin on the October 9 death of his brother John Cavin, and to Meg Dare on the October 7 death of her mother, Margaret Hilpert.

Deacon elections are being held now through Sunday, October 31. You may submit your ballot in the ballot box in the library, by email to Jennie Herrick at [jherrick@fbcraleigh.org](mailto:jherrick@fbcraleigh.org), or by mailing it to the church office. Address questions to any of the current deacons.

The State Missions Offering goal is \$10,000; we have received \$7,495 so far. Your gifts will help those in need by supporting various agencies including Baptist Retirement Homes, NC Baptist Hospital, Baptist Children's Homes, and Baptists on Mission.

Visit the table in the Lewis building lobby for the church library book give-away. Please feel free to take one or more books the library can no longer use.

Join us this afternoon at 3:00 p.m., for a Zoom showing of *Segregated By Design*, a documentary which examines the often-forgotten history of how governments imposed racial segregation in cities nationwide. Afterwards, we'll break out into small groups for discussion. See the *Rose Window Weekly* for more details and the Zoom link.

Centerpoint: Wednesday, October 20; meal served at 5:00 p.m., program at 6:15 p.m. This week, Steve Pressley will talk about his new biography of former FBC pastor Randall Lolley, *Randall Lolley: Thanks for the Memories*, which is on sale in the church office for \$24. Steve will sign your copy that night! See the *Rose Window Weekly* for the Zoom link if you can't join us in-person.

Wednesday night meal reservations may be made at the church website ([www.fbcraleigh.org/foodservice](http://www.fbcraleigh.org/foodservice)), by email ([dmast@fbcraleigh.org](mailto:dmast@fbcraleigh.org)), or by calling the church office (919-832-4485), all by noon on Mondays. Menu for October 20: BBQ, coleslaw, and baked beans.

The Crop Walk will be held Sunday, October 31. You can support the walk and the FBC team by "walking" or donating. Details may be found in the *Rose Window Weekly*.

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 this list, please contact Jennie Herrick ([jherrick@fbcraleigh.org](mailto:jherrick@fbcraleigh.org) or 919-832-4485).

## Calendar Highlights • October 17–24

Sunday, October 17

- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Worship (Sanctuary & YouTube)  
Japanese Worship (302)
- 12:00 Toy Joy Donations Collection (Fellowship Hall)
- 3:00 *Segregated by Design* Viewing (Zoom)
- 5:00 Youth Choir (310)
- 6:00 Youth Supper (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:30 Youth Program (Fellowship Hall/Blue Room)

Monday, October 18

- 10:00 Clothing Ministry Open
- 6:00 Music Made in Heaven Rehearsal (Sanctuary Balcony)

Tuesday, October 19

- 10:00 Staff Meeting (Conference Room)
- 10:45 WMU Group 2 (Springmoor)
- 7:30 Pathfinders Sunday School Class (Zoom)

Wednesday, October 20

- 5:00 Meal Served (Parking Lot/Fellowship Hall)
- 5:30 Toy Joy Donation Collection (229)
- 6:00 Music for Children
- 6:15 Centerpoint program (Fellowship Hall/Zoom)
- 6:45 Handbell Rehearsal (Sanctuary Balcony)
- 6:50 Mission Friends/RAs/GAs
- 7:30 Adult Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, October 21

- 7:00 Band of Brothers (Zoom)

Sunday, October 24

- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Worship (Sanctuary & YouTube)  
Japanese Worship (302)
- 12:15 Deacons' Meeting (220/Zoom)
- 5:00 Youth Choir (310)
- 6:00 Youth Supper (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:30 Youth Program (Fellowship Hall/Blue Room)

# Deacon Election — October 2021

**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 Dolores Bailey John Baldwin Kari Baldwin Charles Barham Margaret Barham Peggy Barham Jay Bisette Jennifer Bisette Carol Blanchard Lauren Bradley Nick Bradley Myra Brickell Sterling Brickell Frances Brooks Anne Bullard Matt Bullard Marianna Burnette Randall Burnette Janie Carothers Jay Carothers Linda Carothers Sam Carothers Lin Carter Tonya Carter Tom Childrey Maria Childrey Margaret Clary Ann Cobb	Britt Cobb Austin Connors Betty Connors Joann Cooper Mike Dare Sarah David Glennis DeBra Jud DeBra Cindy DeFoor David DeFoor Carolyn Dickens Kent Dickens Mike Dodd Diane Ellis Sam Ewell Leah Filomena Greg Flowers Marchelle Flowers Jen Foster Wes Fulk Nancye Gaj Charles Gale Amy Galvan Kati Gardner Ginger Graves Tyson Graves Mary Hauser Jessica Helms John Hite Sheila Hite	Jeff Hobart John Hobson Shirley Hobson Felicia Gore Hoover Barbara Huggins Al Hunter Nancy Hunter Holy Ivel Anita Jackson Art Jackson Blair Jackson Cathy James Barry Jones Beth Jones David Kelley Jim Keown Bob Kimball Susan Kimball Alan Kinsey Janet Kinsey Divine Kumah Keith Lewis Mary Jane Lewis Sarah Lingafelt Rhonda Lowe Laura Maness Ron Maness Alice Marshbanks Becky Mercer Carol Millen	Jim Millen Sonia Moore Betsy Neal Clint Neal Susan Nichols Janice Osborne Murphy Osborne Zach Padget Bob Page Judy Page Jonathan Pegrarn Lacey Pegrarn Anthony Petty Jamie Petty Jeremy Petty Nancy Moore Phillips Karen Poteat Will Poteat Pam Powell Robbie Puckett Dawn Raynor JD Rhodes Mary Powell Rhodes Sarah Catherine Rhodes Linville Roach Mary Jon Roach Dan Roberts Carol Rockey Daniel Rohrbaugh Laura Rohrbaugh	Ann Rollins Tom Rollins Mary Nash Rusher Rebecca Sasser John Shell Carolyn Smith Harriet Smith John Smith Lee Smith Paul Smith Allison Strickland Matt Strickland Bob Talley Jennifer Talley Alan Taylor Kimberly Taylor Randy Tucker Sabrina Tyndall Chuck Underwood Mallory Underwood Cara Lynn Vogel Jamie Vogel Dawn Wade Robert Wade Robin Willis Ryan Willis Debbie Willmschen Royce Willmschen Hollis Yelverton Wyatt Yelverton
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## BALLOT FOR ELECTION – OCTOBER 2021

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

**No person listed above may be considered in this election.**

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### WOMEN

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