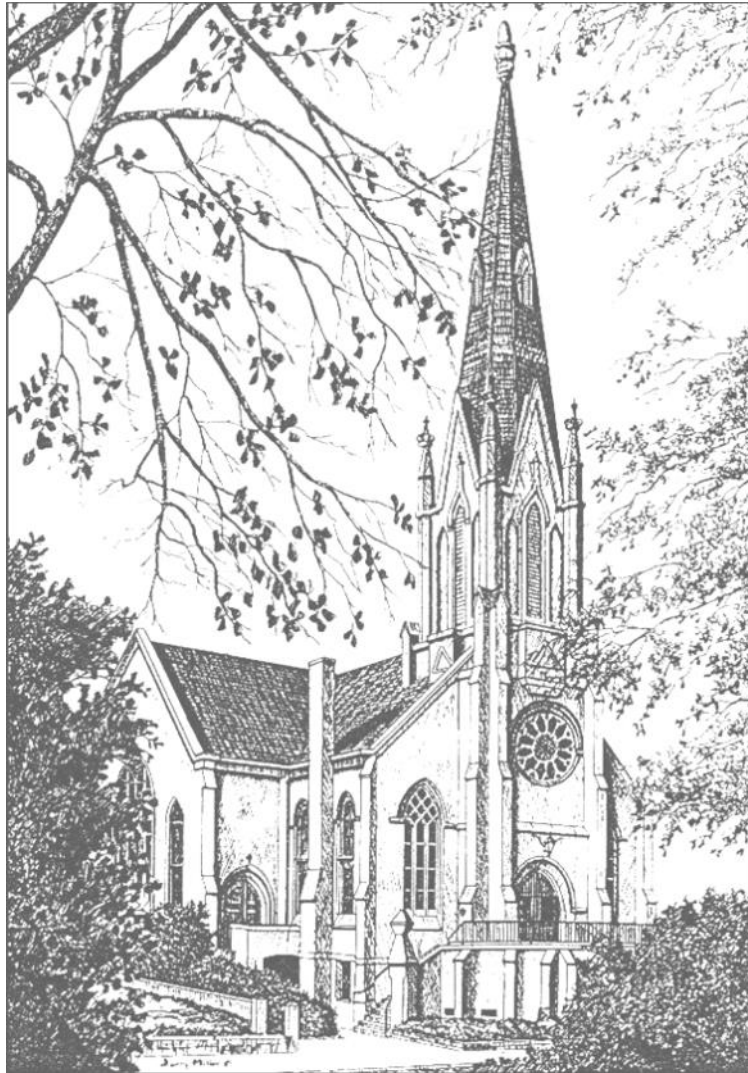


FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
RALEIGH, NC

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October 30, 2022

THE CHURCH IN WORSHIP  
THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 30, 2022

Eleven o'clock

About our Worship: We are delighted to have our Pastor Emeritus, Dr. J. Daniel Day, preaching this morning in Dr. Chapman's absence. Our readings from the Hebrew Bible and Christian Testament center around the centrality of prayer in our faith, even in the midst of despair and unknowns. The Apostle Paul tells us that the Spirit of God prays for us "with sighs too deep for words." Through the life-giving breath of God, we are given all that we need. God's Spirit is right here with us, praying in and for us; making prayer out of our wordless sighs, and our aching groans. Through song, our Sanctuary and Youth Choirs will lead with similar themes of waiting to hear from God. In all of our yearnings, God's faithfulness abides.

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GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

The Greeting of Worshipers

Leah Reed

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

"Concerto in C Minor" (Allegro moderato)

Maureen Howell, piano  
Amanda LaBrecque, oboe

The Call to Worship (responsive)

LEADER: Like the sun through the heavens, and the moon through its phases, so are you,  
God of the universe —

PEOPLE: **Persistent in faithfulness, constant in love.**

LEADER: Like the humble of heart, and the forgiving ones, so are you, God of compassion —

PEOPLE: **Persistent in faithfulness, constant in love.**

LEADER: You hear the cry of the afflicted, listen to the howl of the lonely, for you are a God of  
yearning —

PEOPLE: **Persistent in faithfulness, constant in love.**

LEADER: You gladden the human heart, and give new hope to the despairing, for you are a God  
of rejoicing —

PEOPLE: **Persistent in faithfulness, constant in love.**

LEADER: You bear our pain, you embrace the outcast, for you are a God of resurrection —

PEOPLE: **Persistent in faithfulness, constant in love.**

LEADER: Let us worship God, who has called us and leads us,

PEOPLE: **Persistent in faithfulness, constant in love.**

The Invocation

1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heaven to earth come down,  
 2. Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - ery trou - bled breast;  
 3. Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy life re - ceive;  
 4. Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less let us be;

fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.  
 let us all in thee in - her - it, let us find the prom - ised rest.  
 sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er - more thy tem - ples leave.  
 let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect - ly re - stored in thee:

Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion, pure, un - bound - ed love thou art;  
 Take a - way the love of sin - ning, Al - pha and O - me - ga be;  
 Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, serve thee as thy hosts a - bove,  
 changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, till in heaven we take our place,

vis - it us with thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.  
 end of faith, as its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
 pray and praise thee with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
 till we cast our crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1747  
 MUSIC: John Zundel, 1870

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## LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

The Hebrew Bible

Psalm 86:6–11

Leah Reed

<sup>6</sup>Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer; listen to my cry of supplication. <sup>7</sup>In the day of my trouble I call on you, for you will answer me. <sup>8</sup>There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours. <sup>9</sup>All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. <sup>10</sup>For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God. <sup>11</sup>Teach me your way, O Lord, that I may walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart to revere your name.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The Anthem

“Show Me Thy Ways”

Walter L. Pelz

Sanctuary Choir

Amanda LaBrecque, oboe

Chad Reed, guitar

Show me thy ways O Lord, teach me thy paths;  
Lead me in thy truth and teach me:  
For thou art the God of my salvation.  
And on thee do I wait all the day.

Words: Psalm 25:4-5

The Christian Testament

Romans 8:22–39

J. Daniel Day

<sup>22</sup>We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; <sup>23</sup>and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup>For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

<sup>26</sup>Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. <sup>27</sup>And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. <sup>28</sup>We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.

<sup>29</sup>For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. <sup>30</sup>And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

<sup>31</sup>What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? <sup>32</sup>He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? <sup>33</sup>Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup>Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. <sup>35</sup>Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? <sup>36</sup>As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.” <sup>37</sup>No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup>For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup>nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

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

Luke 11:9–13

Ginger Graves

<sup>9</sup>“So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. <sup>10</sup>For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. <sup>11</sup>Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? <sup>12</sup>Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? <sup>13</sup>If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

LEADER: This is the Gospel of Christ.

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

\*The Hymn of Devotion

“If You Believe and I Believe”

Zimbabwean traditional

Congregation to sing on repeat

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. The lyrics are: If you be-lieve and I be-lieve And we to-geth-er pray, The Ho-ly Spir-it must come down And set God's peo-ple free, And set God's peo-ple free, And set God's peo-ple free; The Ho-ly Spir-it must come down And set God's peo-ple free.

Text: Zimbabwean traditional  
Tune: Zimbabwean traditional; adapt. of English traditional; as taught by Tarasai; arr. by John L. Bell, b.1949

The Sermon

“When You Haven’t Got a Prayer”

J. Daniel Day

The Anthem

“Stop By, Lord”

Youth Choir

Doris Wesley Bettis

Soloists:

Claire Carothers, Campbell Jackson,

Charlotte Phillips

Will Mercer, bass guitar

Stop by Lord, stop by. Stop by Lord, stop by.  
Somebody needs one touch from you, Lord,  
Oh stop by Lord, stop by.  
I need thee, Jesus, I need thee;  
Stop by Lord, stop by. Stop by Lord, stop by.  
I’ve got problems that I can’t solve.  
Stop by Lord, stop by. Stop by Lord, stop by.  
Oh stop by Lord, stop by.

## 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.*

1. \*Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah. Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah.

\*Come by here.

2. Someone's praying, Lord.  
3. Someone's crying, Lord.

4. Someone needs you, Lord.  
5. Someone's singing, Lord.

WORDS and MUSIC: Afro-American Spiritual

KUM BA YAH  
Irregular

### 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

Maureen Howell

\*The congregation may stand.

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Dr. Chapman is out of town this weekend. Pastor Emeritus Dr. J. Daniel Day is preaching in his place today. The arrangement is a joyful celebration by his parents Zach Padget and Allison Coppock, his grandparents Susan Coppock and John Dougherty and Mary A. Tetro and Jack Padget, of Jack Edward Padget, born on 27 March 2020.

The Deacon on Call is Ginger Graves. A 29-year member of First Baptist, Ginger is a member of the Worship Committee, the Music Ministries Council, and The Journey Sunday School class. She is also a member of the Sanctuary and Handbell Choirs, as well as an assistant for the Grade School Choir. Ginger and her husband, Tyson, have one son, Zachary.

Today is the last day for deacon elections. You may submit your ballot in the offering plate or in the ballot box in the church office (it must be in the box by 12 noon). Address questions to any of the current deacons. Please prayerfully consider your choices for our deacon leadership.

The CROP Walk is today! FBC has formed a team to walk and you can still join us — come to Pullen Park on Ashe Street. Sign in is at 2pm and the Walk step-off is at 3pm. If you would like to walk with the team, donate to the team, or both, please scan the QR code to the right to go to the CROP Walk page for FBC. Donations support the global work of CWS and five local agencies and will be accepted until November 30.



Centerpoint: Wednesday, November 2; meal served at 5:15pm, prayer time and program at 6:15pm. Our speaker, Dr. Latonya Agard, will address the topic “Communicating Faithfully in a Divided World.” Dr. Agard is a pastoral counselor and pastor of Transformation Fellowship Christian Church in Fuquay-Varina. She is a graduate of the University of Alabama, Duke Divinity School, and Louisville Presbyterian Seminary, where she earned a Doctor of Ministry degree in pastoral care and counseling.

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). The menu for November 2 is: loaded taco bar with Mexican rice, beans, taco salad, and sides; kids: queso blanco and chips.

Daylight Saving Time ends this Saturday, November 5. Be sure to set your clocks back one hour before going to bed!

The Oak City Marathon is next Sunday, November 6. Although the race will have passed through the church area prior to worship, many nearby roads will be affected. Keep that in mind as you drive in that morning.

During our celebration of All Saints Day next week, we will include a prayerful remembrance of the church members we have lost over the past year and locate our very real grief in the context of eternal hope. We will also include a special recognition for our beloved custodian Jimmy Thompson who died suddenly earlier this year.

Sign up to volunteer for Toy Joy (Saturday, November 12) at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f094facaf2ba3fe3-toyjoy5>. For more information, see the *Rose Window Weekly* or contact Anne Cooke ([cooke76@aol.com](mailto:cooke76@aol.com), m: 919-986-9465, or h: 919-782-7491).

Our NC Mission Offering helps fund non-profit organizations doing work and providing services primarily in North Carolina. Through the generosity of FBC members, we have already received \$2,012 toward our goal of \$10,000.

Diaper changing stations are located in the men’s and women’s bathrooms on each floor of the Lewis building, and a nursing room is located in our preschool suite on the first floor.

Children of all ages are welcome in worship! Worship bags are located in the narthex and in the Gathering Room; preschoolers (birth – kindergarten) are also welcome to join the supervised play in the preschool suite on first floor.



**Calendar Highlights**  
**October 30–November 6**

Sunday, October 30

- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Worship/Dan Day preaching (sanctuary & YouTube)  
JBC worship (226)
- 12:00 Youth lunch (Fellowship Hall)
- 12:45 Youth choir (choir room)
- 1:15 And Also with 'Cue board meeting (conference room)
- 1:45 Youth handbells (302)
- 3:00 CROP Walk; registration begins at 2:00 (Pullen Park)

Monday, October 31

- 10:00 Clothing ministry
- 6:30 High school Bible study (Wade home)

Tuesday, November 1

- 10:00 Staff meeting (conference room)
- 10:45 WMU Group 2 (Springmoor)
- 7:00 Properties Committee meeting (Zoom)

Wednesday, November 2

- 5:15 Meal served (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:45 Children's music (301/307/311)
- 6:15 Centerpoint (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:30 Children's missions (preschool suite/children's suite)  
Handbell choir rehearsal (302)
- 7:30 Adult choir rehearsal (310/sanctuary)

Thursday, November 3

- 7:00 Band of Brothers (Zoom)
- 10:30 Thirty-Niners (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:30 Music Made in Heaven rehearsal (302)

Friday, November 4

- 5:00 Von Unruh/Schauviller wedding rehearsal (sanctuary)

Saturday, November 5

- 3:00 Von Unruh/Schauviller wedding (sanctuary)

Sunday, November 6 *All Saints Sunday*

- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Worship/Communion/Remembrance of Jimmy Thompson (sanctuary & YouTube)  
JBC worship (226)
- 12:00 Reception in honor of Jimmy Thompson (Fellowship Hall)
- 4:00 Youth handbells (302)
- 5:00 Youth choir (choir room)
- 6:00 Youth supper (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:30 Youth program (Fellowship Hall/Blue Room)

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