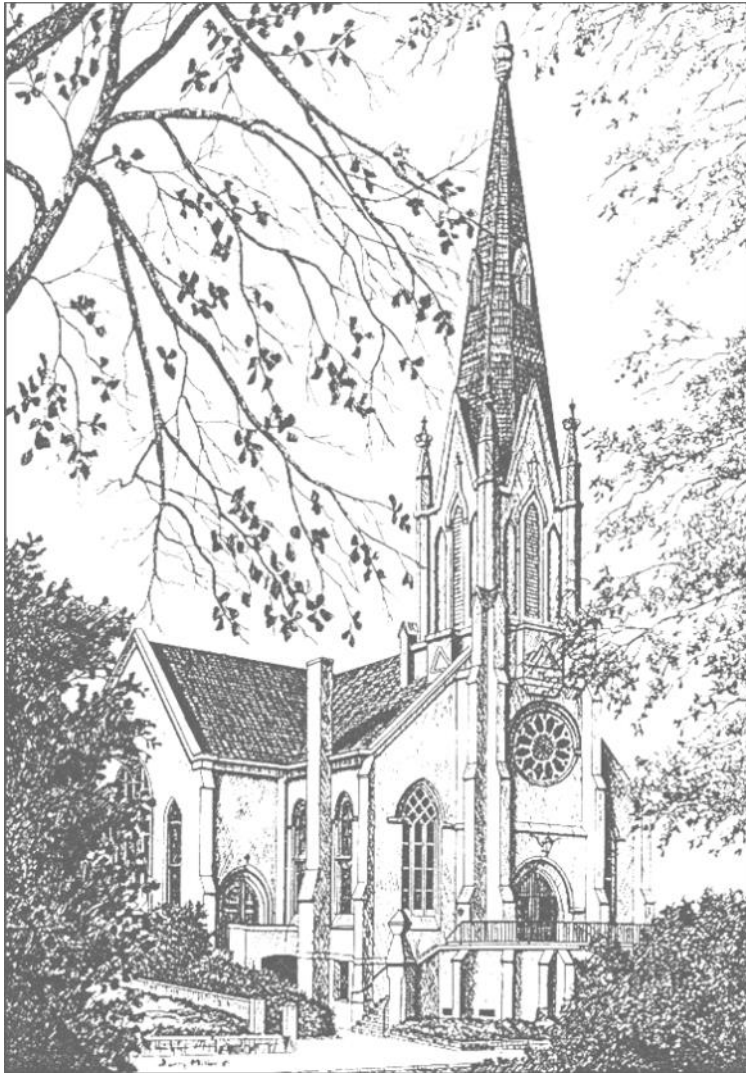


# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH RALEIGH, NC

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November 13, 2022

THE CHURCH IN WORSHIP  
THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 13, 2022

Eleven o'clock

About our Worship: Today is the Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost and the next-to-last Sunday in the Christian year. The texts have varied messages, all related to God's continuing work in this world that takes different forms at different times, but always calls for faithfulness on our part. The sermon pulls insights from all three readings in an effort to inform our response to contemporary challenges. The hymns and anthem push us to think more critically about what God calls us to do. The prayers express our longings to God and allow us to hear and embrace God's longings. In the context of prayer, we also give thanks for Veterans who have served our nation, and all the faithful who have served in God's realm.

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GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

The Greeting of Worshipers

Michael Hood

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

"Grand Chorus"  
Joel Raney

Evening Bells

The Call to Worship (responsive)

From Isaiah 12

LEADER: Sing praises to the Lord, for God has done gloriously;

PEOPLE: **let us sing God's praises throughout all the earth.**

LEADER: Shout aloud and sing for joy, from the highest peaks, to the deepest caverns.

PEOPLE: **Shout aloud and sing for joy, from the tiniest creatures, to the greatest herds.**

LEADER: Shout aloud and sing for joy, in the midst of our joys and our sorrows.

PEOPLE: **Shout aloud and sing for joy, as we come to worship the God of all creation!**

The Invocation

1. All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us  
 2. Thou rush-ing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heaven a -  
 3. Thou flow-ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for thy Lord to  
 4. All ye who are of ten-der heart, for - giv - ing oth - ers, take your  
 5. Let all things their Cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -

sing Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou burn - ing sun with gold - en  
 long, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou ris - ing morn in praise re -  
 hear, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou fire so mas - ter - ful and  
 part, sing his prais - es, Al - le - lu - ia! Ye who long pain and sor - row  
 ness, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise, praise the Fa - ther, praise the

beam, thou sil - ver moon with soft - er gleam, O praise him, O  
 joice, ye lights of eve - ning, find a voice, O praise him, O  
 bright, that giv - est us both warmth and light, O praise him, O  
 bear, praise God and on him cast your care, O praise him, O  
 Son, and praise the Spir - it, Three in One, O praise him, O

praise him, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu  
 ia!

WORDS: St. Francis of Assisi, c. 1225; tr. William H. Draper, 1926  
 MUSIC: *Geistliche Kirchengesäng*, Cologne, 1623; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906  
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LASST UNS ERFREUEN  
 L.M. Alleluia

## LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

The Hebrew Bible

Isaiah 65:17–25

Jennifer Bissette

<sup>17</sup>For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. <sup>18</sup>But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. <sup>19</sup>I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. <sup>20</sup>No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. <sup>21</sup>They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. <sup>22</sup>They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. <sup>23</sup>They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord— and their descendants as well. <sup>24</sup>Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. <sup>25</sup>The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The Hymn of Reflection (seated)

“My Lord! What a Morning”

BURLEIGH

*Refrain*

My Lord! what a morn-ing; my Lord! what a morn-ing;

*Fine*

O, my Lord! what a morn-ing, when the stars be-gin to fall.

You'll hear the trum-pet sound to wake the na-tions un-der-ground,

*D. C.*

look-ing to my God's right hand when the stars be-gin to fall.

WORDS: Afro-American Spiritual  
 MUSIC: Afro-American Spiritual; arr. Donald P. Hustad, 1989  
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BURLEIGH  
 Irregular

<sup>6</sup>Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. <sup>7</sup>For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, <sup>8</sup>and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. <sup>9</sup>This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. <sup>10</sup>For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. <sup>11</sup>For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. <sup>12</sup>Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. <sup>13</sup>Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The Musical Interlude

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Evening Bells

Sandra Eithun, arr.

*“Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;  
here's my heart, O, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.”*

–Robert Robinson, 1758

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.**

<sup>5</sup>When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, <sup>6</sup>“As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.” <sup>7</sup>They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” <sup>8</sup>And he said, “Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is near!’ Do not go after them. <sup>9</sup>“When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.” <sup>10</sup>Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; <sup>11</sup>there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. <sup>12</sup>“But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. <sup>13</sup>This will give you an opportunity to testify. <sup>14</sup>So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; <sup>15</sup>for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. <sup>16</sup>You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. <sup>17</sup>You will be hated by all because of my name. <sup>18</sup>But not a hair of your head will perish. <sup>19</sup>By your endurance you will gain your souls.

LEADER: This is the Gospel of Christ.

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

The Anthem

“All My Trials”  
Norman Luboff, arr.

Sanctuary Choir

If religion were a thing that money could buy,  
the rich would live and the poor would die.  
All my trials, Lord, soon be over.  
Too late, my brothers. Too late, but never mind.  
All my trials, Lord, soon be over.  
Hush, little baby, don't you cry,  
you know that we are born to die.  
All my trials, Lord, soon be over.

– Traditional Folksong

The Sermon

“With Bible and Newspaper in Hand”

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.*

**When all is ended, time and troubles past,  
shall all be mended, sin and death out-cast?  
In hope we sing, and hope to sing at last:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Against all hope, our weary times have known  
wars ended, peace declared, compassion shown,  
great days of freedom, tyrants overthrown:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Then do not cheat the poor, who long for bread,  
with dream-worlds in the sky or in the head,  
but sing of slaves set free, and children fed:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**With all creation, pain and anger past,  
evil exhausted, love supreme at last,  
alive in God, we’ll sing an unsurpassed  
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

-Brian Wren, 1988

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

“Postlude on SINE NOMINE”  
Fred Bock

Maureen Howell

\*The congregation may stand.

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Today's banner is selected by Mike and Courtney Selna in loving memory of Mike's dad, Ted Selna, with a donation to the Day Mission Fund.

The Deacon on Call is Jennifer Bisette. A seven-year member and a first-term deacon, Jennifer serves as the Sunday School Director and is a member of the Grains of Sand Sunday School class. She is also a member of the Social Committee and co-teaches the Kindergarten Mission Friends class on Wednesday nights. She and her husband Jay have two children, CeCe and Jackson .

Sympathy to Rebecca Kalishek and Jonathan Jones, daughter and son of Durward Jones, who died November 4, and to Carrie D'Antignac on the November 5 death of her son Eric.

Church Conference: Wednesday, November 16; meal served at 5:15pm, prayer time and meeting at 6:15pm. See the *Rose Window Weekly* for documents and Zoom link.

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 16 is: *Early Thanksgiving!* Turkey and mock turkey with gravy, stuffing, sweet potatoes, green beans, and cranberry sauce; kids: macaroni and cheese.

A Holiday Service of Hope, offering hope and assurance to those who have lost loved ones, will be held at First Baptist Church on Wilmington Street on Thursday, November 17, at 7pm.

Each year during the Christmas parade, we give away cups of hot chocolate at our Hillsborough Street entrance. Join us on Saturday, November 19, from 8:30–11:30am as we serve our community together. If you are able to volunteer, email Crystal Bacon ([crystal.bacon3@gmail.com](mailto:crystal.bacon3@gmail.com)).

Hanging of the Greens will be held on Sunday, December 4, at 6pm, followed by a reception. 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, on our website, or in the *Rose Window Weekly* — must be received with payment by Friday, December 2.

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 \$3,632 toward our goal of \$10,000.

During November, our mission project is collecting food (pasta, rice, and dried beans) for the Food Bank of Central and Eastern NC. Place your contributions in the marked drawer of the Lewis Lobby cabinet.

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

### November 13–20

#### Sunday, November 13

- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Worship (sanctuary & YouTube)  
JBC worship (226)
- 12:15 Deacons' meeting (Fellowship Hall/Zoom)
- 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)

#### Monday, November 14

- 10:00 Clothing ministry
- 5:30 Dream Team meeting (Zoom)
- 6:15 Finance Committee meeting (Zoom)
- 6:30 High school Bible study (Wade home)  
Music Made in Heaven rehearsal (302)

#### Tuesday, November 15

- 10:00 Staff meeting (conference room)
- 10:45 WMU Group 2 (Springmoor)

#### Wednesday, November 16

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

#### Thursday, November 17

- 7:00 Band of Brothers (Zoom)
- 10:00 Japanese dance class (Blue Room)
- 10:30 Thirty-Niners (FH)
- 7:00 Holiday Service of Hope (FBC Wilmington Street)

#### Saturday, November 19

- 9:00 Hot chocolate give-away for Christmas parade (parking lot)

#### Sunday, November 20

- 8:30 GA/RA Buddy reception (FH)
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Worship (sanctuary & YouTube)  
JBC worship (226)  
Children's worship (224)
- 5:00 Youth choir (choir room)
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HONORING VETERANS AND  
THOSE IN MILITARY SERVICE  
— VETERANS DAY, 2022 —

*November 11 is Veterans Day, a day we remember and honor Veterans for their military service. Their courage and sacrifice over the years has been responsible for guaranteeing the freedom of our great country. On this day, we also wish to recognize those members from families of First Baptist Church who are currently serving in the military forces of the United States. We are grateful for their service and the sacrifices being made by each of them and their families.*



**Chaplain (Major) Michael (Mike) Johnson**  
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Aunt: Carol Rockey

**PFC Brooks Parker**  
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146 Croyden Drive  
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**First Lieutenant Julia R. Stewart**  
United States Marine Corps  
Grandmother: Rae Moorhead  
Aunt: Cindy DeFoor

# Veterans

**LaCount Anderson**  
US Navy, 1971–1976

**Carl Bailey**  
US Army, 1969–1971

**Max Baldwin**  
US Coast Guard, 1953–1957

**Charles Barham**  
US Navy, 1955–1958

**Chip Barnes**  
US Navy, 1991–2015

**John Bennett**  
US Navy, 1978–1999

**Albert Calloway**  
US Army, 1950–1952

**Don Cheek**  
US Army Air Corp, 1944–1946

**Connie Cole**  
US Army, 1980–1994

**Michael Cooke**  
US Army, 1968–1971

**Frederick Russell Cox**  
US Army, 1953–1955

**Jud DeBra**  
US Army, 1965–1968

**Mike Dodd**  
US Army, 1977–1980

**Dennis Ellis**  
US Marine Corps, 1978–1983

**Hal L. English**  
US Army, 1954–1956

**Dennis Francis**  
US Navy, 1984–1992

**Jim Good**  
US Army, 1957–1963

**Chet Goolsby**  
US Air Force, 1969–1973

**Rance Henderson**  
US Navy, 1951–1956

**Julian W. Hughes, Jr.**  
US Army, 1954–1956

**Art Jackson**  
US Army Corps of Engineers, 1969–1971

**Bill Jacobs**  
US Navy, 1955–1959; 1960–1964

**Max O. Johnson**  
Army National Guard of NC, 1962–1968

**Bob Kimball**  
US Air Force, 1971–1977

**Don Kline**  
US Army Corps of Engineers, 1953–1955

**Bill Loomis**  
Army National Guard, 1970–1976

**Bob Matthews**  
US Navy, Medical Officer 1982-2019

**Al Moore**  
US Navy, 1959–1963

**Charles Parker**  
US Navy, 1954–1962

**Brandon Peach**  
US Army, 2005–2008

**Mike Peach**  
US Army, 1973–1976

**Frank Powers**  
US Army Reserves, 1967–1973

**Linville Roach**  
US Navy JAG, 1955–1959

**Daniel O. Roberts**  
USNR, 1953–1961

**Francis Rockey**  
US Navy, 1955–1966

**Johnny Shaver**  
US Army, 1954–1956

**John Smith**  
US Army, 1969, 1972

**Charles D. White**  
US Army, 1951–1953

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