

The Worship of God

August 28, 2017

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

The Gathering

“Teaching, therefore, asks first of all the creation of a space where students and teachers can enter into a fearless communication with each other and allow their respective life experiences to be their primary and most valuable source of growth and maturation. It asks for a mutual trust in which those who teach and those who want to learn can become present to each other, not as opponents, but as those who share in the same struggle and search for the same truth.”

-Henri

Nouwen

Prelude

“Rigaudon”

Andre Campra

Choral Introit

“Holy Spirit, Light Divine”

arr. Freeman

Opening of the Bible
Jolly

Emma

Call to Worship

Jenna Young

Leader: Where are the teachers in our midst who will guide us as we learn?

People: We follow Christ’s example and learn from one another!

Leader: Where are Jesus’ disciples who thirst to know God’s ways?

People: We follow Christ’s example and learn from one another!

Leader: Our church is this sacred space and our classroom in the world!

People: We follow Christ’s example and learn from one another!

Leader: Thanks be to God for new beginnings; for new opportunities to learn together!

People: We follow Christ’s example and learn from one another!

Hymn No. 532

“Be Thou My Vision”

SLANE

Lighting of the Christ Candle

The Children’s Time

Kathy and Matthew Hinkle

Christian Greetings

Old Testament Lesson

I Samuel 3: 1-10

Reflection

“Calling”

Ray N. Howell III

“Called to Teach”

Kristi Thornhill

Call to Confession

Leader: Rabbi, Teacher Jesus, you who taught thousands and yet were willing to learn from the least of these.

People: We confess that we pretend to know when in truth we still wonder.

Leader: Forgive our pretense that we may open ourselves to unexpected teachers, to fresh ideas, to one another and to you.

People: You taught us to live in generous love.

Leader: We confess that we have closed ourselves off. We have seen so much suffering that we stop looking rather than see and respond to those in need.

People: Forgive our neglect that we may care for one another and follow in the example you set for us.

Morning Prayer followed by the Lord’s Prayer

The Backpack Program

Julia Dunn

Anthem

“Blessed Are the Pure in Heart”

Beall & Carter

“Called to Teach”

Chad Killebrew

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 19: 13-15

Hymn (See Insert)

“Here I Am, Lord”

Daniel Schutte

Offertory Prayer

Tim Michael

The Offertory

“Dear Lord and Father of Mankind”

arr. Albin Whitworth

Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Blessing of the Backpacks

Hymn No. 721

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

(See Insert)

SHINE

Choral Benediction

“Let Others See Jesus In You”

arr. Freeman

Postlude

“Trumpet Tune”

Johann Fischer

Today’s Lay Reader is Kim Lingerfelt

Today’s Service

Beverly Khemlani, Organist

Sanctuary Choir

Welcome Educators

We welcome all of our educators this morning. We want you to know that our church supports you in your calling to educate our children and youth. It is our desire to join hands with you by encouraging you in your mission and partnering with you whenever possible to provide the resources for a healthy educational environment. Join us for refreshments immediately after today’s service so that we can meet you and thank you for your service to our community.

Every Sunday at FBC

Join us each Sunday for prayer at 9 a.m. in the conference room, coffee and fellowship at 9:30 a.m. at the gathering place on the 2nd floor and Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. We have a number of excellent Sunday School classes who would love for you to join them for Bible study.

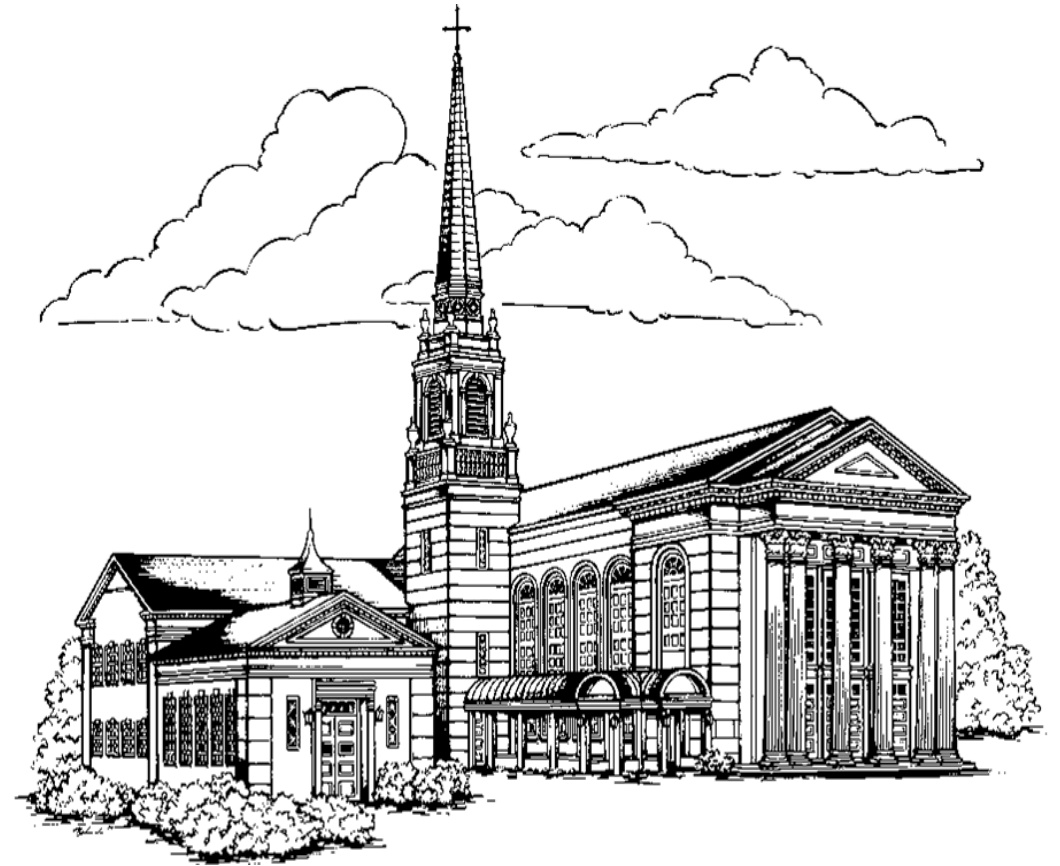
Frary/Johnson Mission Group will meet tomorrow.

Meet at Tricia’s Catering at 11:30 a.m. Monday morning.

Block Party Neighborhood Canvass this Afternoon

We need your help this afternoon as we plan to walk through the surrounding neighborhood and share the news of our September 10th Block Party. Come to the fellowship hall between 1:30 p.m. - 2 p.m. to pick up flyers and receive an assignment.

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