

The Worship of God

August 6, 2017

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

The Gathering

“Earth is so thick with divine possibility that it is a wonder we can walk anywhere without cracking our shins on altars.”
Barbara Brown Taylor

Preparing for Worship

Prelude “Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him” Jeanne Shaffer

Choral Introit “Tell Me the Story of Jesus” arr. Freeman
Opening of the Bible Meghan Maddox

Call to Worship Rachel Huneycutt

Leader: Come church, let us gather together in the land God has prepared for us.

People: As in the waters of our Baptism, we cross over the Jordan.

Leader: When our ancestors crossed over, they made an altar of stones.

People: Come church, see the gathered stones.

Leader: This is a testimony of what God did for the Israelites!

People: We have come to worship God

Leader: As we remember the great things God has done.

People: We stop and make space to remember.

Leader: Soon our children will ask us to tell them stories of what God has done.

People: We will remember and tell stories of God’s faithfulness and mercy.

Hymn No. 634 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” CWM RHONDDA
Lighting of the Christ Candle

The Children’s Time

Christian Greetings

Old Testament Lesson Joshua 4: 1-8

Morning Prayer (followed by 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

“Old Stories Become New Songs” by Walter Brueggemann
Zoey Mize, Reader

Anthem “Praise the Lord” arr. Hal Hopson

Gospel Lesson Mark 1: 4-5

Hymn No. 689 “The Church’s One Foundation” AURELIA

Sermon “What Mean These Stones?” Meagan Smith

Hymn No. 674 “On Jordan’s Stormy Banks I Stand” PROMISED LAND

Offertory Prayer William Fulbright

The Offertory “Elevation” Alexandre Guilmant

Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God the source of life and birth.

Praise God the Word, who came to earth.

Praise God the Spirit, holy flame.

All glory, honor to God’s name! Amen.

Choral Benediction “The Lord Bless You and Keep You” arr. Freeman

Postlude “Passamezzo” Samuel Scheidt

Today's Lay Reader is Jim Skotthy

Today's Service

Beverly Khemlani, Organist

Sanctuary Choir

Upcoming Events

Prayer Ministry	Every Sunday at 9:00 a.m. in the Conference Room
Coffee and Fellowship	Every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. on the 2 nd floor
Building & Grounds Committee Meeting	In the Parlor at 7 p.m. on August 9
School Supply Giveaway	August 19
Annual Church Meeting	August 23
Education Sunday	August 27
FBC Block Party	September 10
Wednesday Night Kickoff with Matthew Weaver and Clay Lunsford	September 13
Riverdale	September 17
"The Class" led by Ray and Meagan	September 10, 17, & 24

The Fellowship Hall will be closed from August 7th through August 20th.

Wednesday Night Reservations

Make your Wednesday night reservations by emailing wednesday@fbclex.org. You can also call the church office at (336)245-1261, extension 102. Reservations can now be made for our kickoff on September 13 with Matthew Weaver and Clay Lunsford.

Extended Sessions: August 06: Bed Babies-Donna Routh/Wendy Walker: **Toddler/2 Year-Olds**- M/M Dale Lambeth: **3 and 4 Year-Olds**-M/M Dale Frank

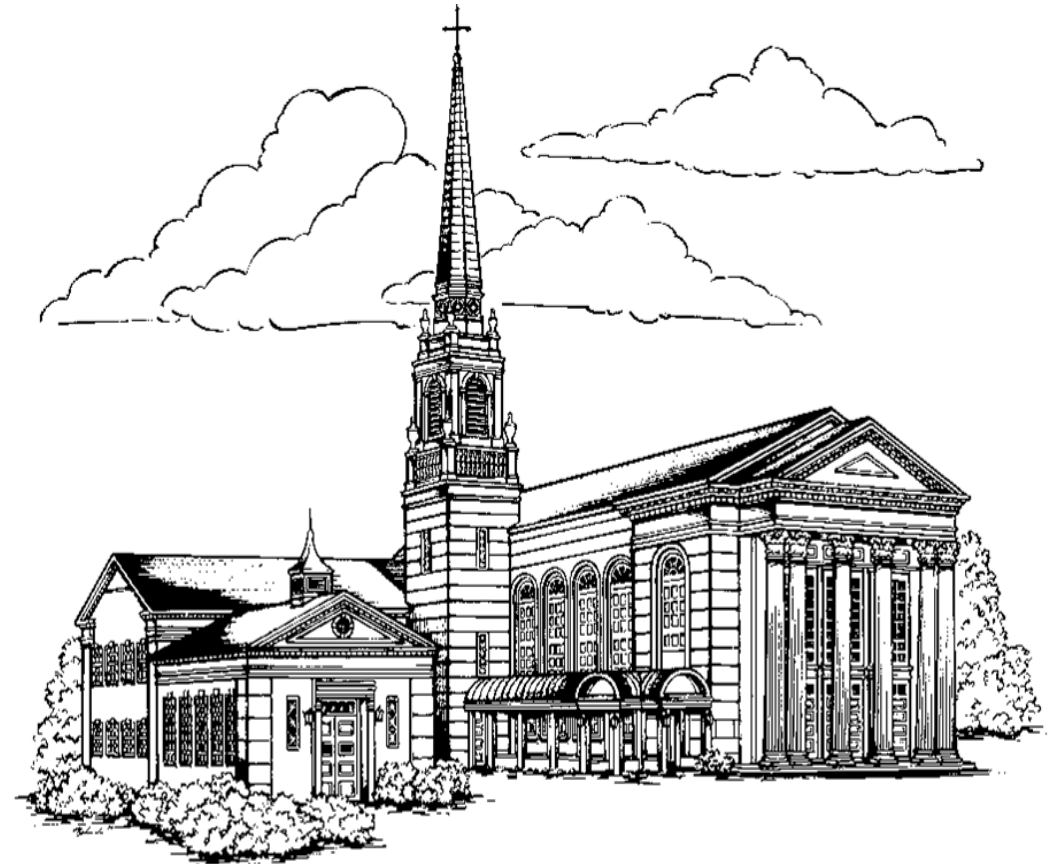
August 13: Bed Babies-Jen Fuller Allen/Brooke Williams: **Toddler/2 Year-Olds**-M/M Zak Young: **3 and 4 year-olds**-M/M William Fulbright

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