

The Worship of God

August 7, 2016

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

A Celebration of Baptism and Service of Blessing

The Gathering

“Through baptism we are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God’s new creation and made to share in Christ’s Royal Priesthood. We are all one in Christ Jesus. With joy and thanksgiving we welcome Drew Lingerfelt into the baptized family of Christ. As we witness Drew’s baptism we remember our baptism and renew our commitment to Christ.

Focusing on Church Events

Jim Tate

Prelude

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

arr. David Lowe

Choral Introit

Shall We Gather at the River?

arr. Freeman

Opening the Bible

Brooke Lambeth

Call To Worship

Brett Lingerfelt

Leader: We are a people of the water.

People: We worship a God whose love flows through water.

Leader: “The Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.” (Genesis 1:2)

People: “The righteous are planted by streams of living water.” (Psalms 1:3)

Leader: “Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an everflowing stream.” (Amos 5:24)

People: “He will lead them to springs of living water.” (Revelation 7:17)

Leader: Today my brother Drew will plunge beneath the waters of baptism.

People: May these waters of baptism be a sign of God’s love for Drew and the mark of God’s salvation all the days of his life.

All: Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the blood of Christ our King.

Hymn No. 758

Baptized in Water

BUNESSAN

Lighting the Christ Candle

Drew Lingerfelt

Scripture Lesson

Acts 8: 26-38

Kim Lingerfelt

Symbols of Baptism

Light and Water

Choral Response

Shall We Gather at the River?

arr. Freeman

The Baptism of Drew Lingerfelt

Hymn No. 254

Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven

ODE TO JOY

The Children’s Time

Jen Fuller-Allen

Christian Greetings

Brenda Hipp

Scripture Lesson

Romans 6: 1-4

Carter Skotthy

Hymn No. 594

Like a River Glorious

WYE VALLEY

Offertory Prayer

Johnny Beck

Offertory

Jesus, Our Divine Companion

arr. Robert Hebble

Doxology

*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.*

Gospel Lesson

John 4: 7-15

Carter Skotthy

Morning Prayer

Anthem

Surely the Presence of the Lord is in this Place

Brown

Feature

“Living Water”

Dr. Ray Howell III

Hymn No. 45

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

Recognition of Young People Away

Minister: For everything there is a season and time for every matter under heaven.

People: A time to be born, a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot.

Minister: We are standing here today where most of you were dedicated as babies, where you worshiped as children, where you were baptized into the family of Christ and where we celebrated your graduation. This is where you have been planted spiritually.

People: But now you are leaving home, returning to school, where life is different and where the challenges and demands must be faced on your own.

Minister: Your church family want you to know that you are always loved and this church is always your home.

Prayer Supporters:

As your prayer supporters, we pray for you every day.

Young People Away Committee:

Our committee will stay in touch with you to bring you encouragement and support.

Parents: As parents we will always love you and be here for you.

Minister: Today I am asking you to remember your baptism and to always depend on the living water of faith and trust.

People: May your faith be a lamp unto your feet and a light unto your path.

Minister: As you remember your baptism, know that you are a child of God who dearly loves us all. Go forth in peace to share God's love and be bold in your faith to answer Christ's call. Amen

Prayer of Blessing

Hymn No. 708

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

DENNIS

Postlude

Voluntary

B. Kathe

The church has individual hearing assistance devices for anyone to use during services; just ask an usher.

Musicians for today's service

Beverly Khemlani - Organ

Sanctuary Choir

Search Committee Update

Our Search Committee had an excellent orientation session last Tuesday night with 100% attendance! The session was led by Jack Causey, a veteran pastor now with Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, who has extensive experience leading and assisting Baptist churches through North Carolina.

On **Wednesday, August 24** at our Annual Meeting, Barry Sink will update our congregation on the results of our Dream Night sessions.

On Sunday evening, **September 18** at 6:00 p.m. we will have a congregational meeting to hear your dreams for a new Associate Minister.

Plan to attend both of these important congregational meetings. We want every member of our church to be a part of the search process!

Extended Sessions:

August 7: Bed Babies: Donna Routh & Wendy Walker **Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** M/M Dale Lambeth **3 & 4 Year Olds:** M/M Dale Frank

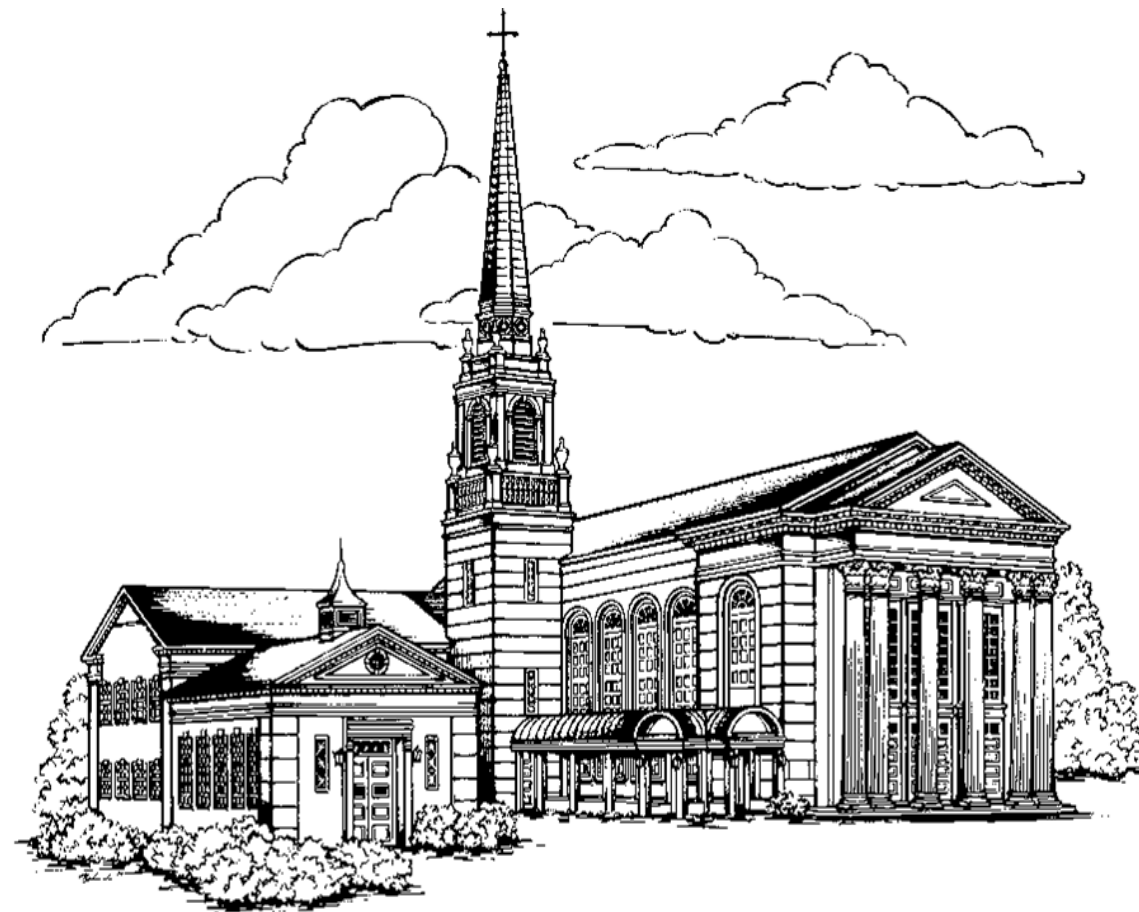
August 14: Bed Babies: Jen Fuller-Allen & Brooke Williams **Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** M/M Zak Young **3 & 4 Year Olds:** M/M William Fulbright

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Young People Away 2016 - 2017

Sam Amos	NC School of Science and Math
Palmer Bailey	UNC Charlotte
Sheldon Bailey	Appalachian State University
Amelia Beamer	Syracuse University
Colin Beamer	NC State University
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Caroline Belk	UNC Chapel Hill
Austin Berrier	Virginia Tech
Meredith Briggs	Appalachian State University
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Kathryn Frye	East Carolina University
Rachel Hamrick	NC State University
Ethan Houser	NC State University
Caleb Huff	Baylor University
Matt Johnson	NC State University
Charlie Killebrew	Stanford University
Chris Klim	DCCC
Morgan Lambros	Appalachian State University
Maggie Lancaster	Wake Forest University

Jackson McCarthy	Furman University
Ashley Phillips	Campbell University
Madeline Rector	Elon University
Alec Rhodes	American University
Miranda Rhodes	DCCC
Mary Caroline Sharpe	UNC Wilmington
Samuel Sharpe	UNC Chapel Hill
Harry Shepherd	East Carolina University
Carter Skotthy	NC State University
Emerson Williams	NC State University

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Current Prayer Supporters		Committee Members
Edith Honeycutt	Sandra Wilson	Cindy Amos
Lynda Belk	Judy LeCroy	Debbie Auman
Carol Frank	Don Lanning	Molly Bailey
Kriston Jolly	Brian Walker	Lynda Belk
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Alan Bailey	Jim Barton	Carol Frank
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Hal Routh	Chuck Taylor	Ginger Hill
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		Beryl Phillips
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