

# *The Worship of God*

July 23, 2017

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

## The Gathering

Our Passport youth have focused on what it means to follow Christ with our full hearts and not just go through the motions. They have learned what it means to Do Justice, Love Kindness, and Walk Humbly just as Jesus showed us. Today we celebrate their commitment and courage as we worship the God of Righteousness and Justice.

## Preparing for Worship

**Prelude** "Voluntary" Anton Bruckner

**Choral Introit** "Tell Me the Story of Jesus" arr. Freeman  
Opening of the Bible Parker Fowler

**Call to Worship** Hannah Finch

Leader: What does God want us to offer as an offering?

**People: God wants us to do justice.**

Leader: What does God want us to offer in service to the Lord?

**People: God wants us to love kindness.**

Leader: What does God want us to offer as a gift of thanks?

**People: God wants us to walk humbly with the Almighty.**

**Hymn No. 712** "The Kingdom of God Is Justice and Joy" HANOVER  
Lighting of the Christ Candle

## The Children's Time

## Christian Greetings

**Old Testament Lesson** Micah 6: 6-8

## Passport Report

**Hymn No. 710** "We Are Called to Be God's People" AUSTRIAN HYMN

**New Testament Lesson** Ephesians 4: 25-32

## Morning Prayer

**Anthem** "Just A Closer Walk With Thee" arr. Ed Lojeski

**Sermon** "A Micah 6 Faith" Dr. Ray N. Howell III

**Hymn No. 670** "Rise Up, O Saints of God!" FESTAL SONG

**Offertory Prayer** Dan Hamrick

**The Offertory** "Holy Spirit, Light Divine" arr. Alice Jordan

**Doxology** OLD HUNDREDTH

**Choral Benediction** "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" arr. Freeman

**Postlude** "St. Anthony Chorale" Johannes Brahms

**Today's Lay Reader is Robert Adams**

## Today's Service

Beverly Khemlani, Organist Sanctuary Choir

## Christian Sympathy

Heartfelt Christian sympathy is extended to Tammy Rhodes in the death of her mother Gayle Lanning of Lexington on July 12, Louise Michael and Faith Kirkman in the death of their brother Don Berrier of Clemmons on July 15 and Connie Motlow in the death of her father Truman Hudson of Gastonia on July 15.

## Service of Blessing Next Sunday

We will recognize our college students next Sunday in a "Service of Blessing." You are invited to join our college students for lunch at Tricia's Catering following the service. The cost is \$14.00 and the reservation deadline is noon on Monday.

## Welcome New Member

Last Sunday we joyfully welcomed Meagan Smith into the fellowship of our church. Meagan comes to us by transfer of letter from First Baptist Church of Auburn, Alabama.

## 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 <sup>nd</sup> floor
Technology Team Meeting	6:00 p.m. Conference Room July 26
Meagan Smith Preaches	August 6
Riverdale	August 13
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
"The Class" led by Ray and Meagan	September 10, 17, & 24

## FBC Block Party (Missionfest) Planning Session Sunday, July 30th at 8:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

On September 10, our church will be hosting the FBC Block Party (Missionfest). This will be a fun and meaningful afternoon of music, activities, and opportunities for our neighbors and community members to have fun and learn about our church and mission partners.

**We need your help!!!** Next Sunday morning, the Missionfest Team will be meeting to continue the planning for this major event. We invite anyone who would like to be involved with this exciting outreach to join us at 8:30 a.m.

**Extended Sessions: July 23: Bed Babies-M/M Jim Skotthy: Toddler/2 Year-Olds-**  
M/M Lee Davis: **3 and 4 Year-Olds-**Alyson Honeycutt/Grace Upton

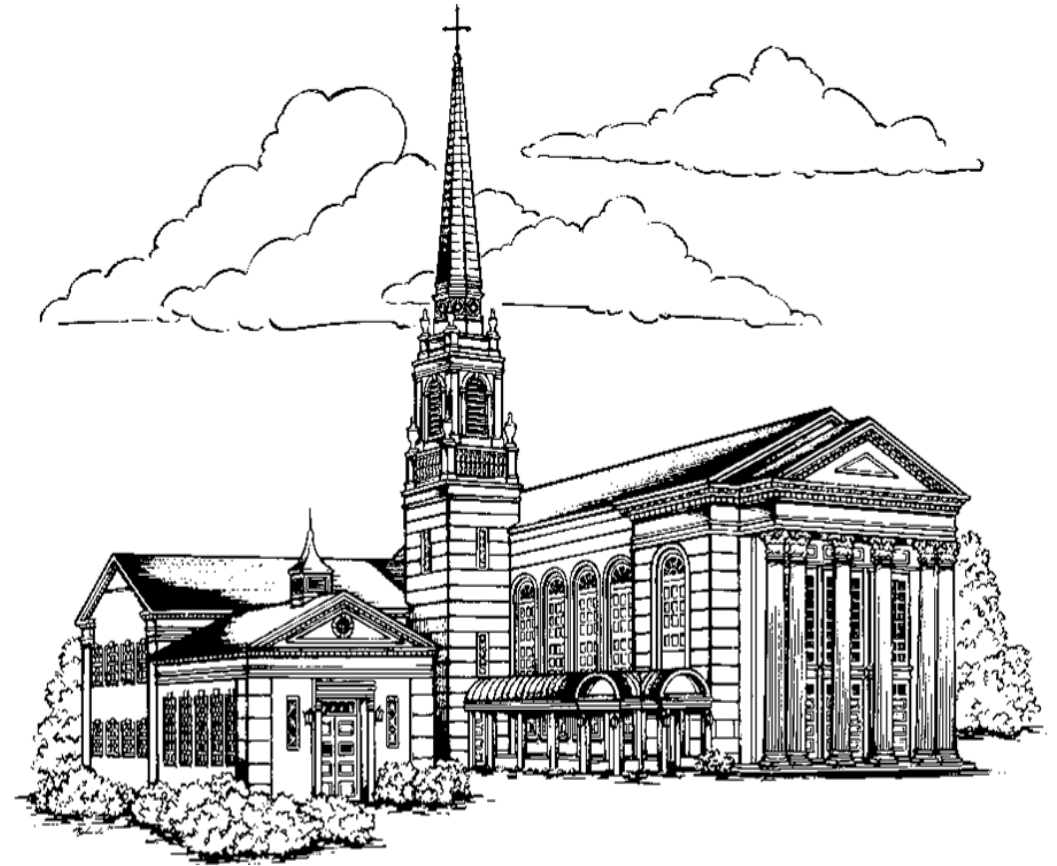
**July 30: Bed Babies-M/M Richard Baxley: Toddler/2 Year-Olds-M/M Bryan Lingerfelt: 3 and 4 year-olds-**Ray Nance Howell/Andy Killebrew

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