

The Worship of God

November 23, 2014

Eleven o'clock in the morning

A Celebration of Thanksgiving

THE GATHERING

This place of worship has been prepared for us to come with songs of thanksgiving before our God. Bring your gifts and share your stories of blessings! God has provided so much. Let us respond with generosity and gratitude!

EARLY ANNOUNCEMENTS AS THE CHURCH GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

COME, YE THANKFUL PEOPLE COME

PRELUDE *Now Thank We All Our God* Sigfrid Karg-Elert

CALL TO WORSHIP *Come Ye Thankful People, Come* Elvey
Opening of the Bible Ty Lancaster

CALL TO WORSHIP Lily Thornhill

Leader: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving!

People: Enter God's gates with praise!

Leader: Give thanks to God!

People: Bless God's name!

Leader: For the Lord is good;

People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: God's faithfulness endures to all generations;

People: Come, let us worship God.

RAISE THE SONG OF HARVEST HOME

HYMN NO. 381 *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* ST. GEORGE'S, WINDSOR
Lighting the Christ Candle

THE CHILDREN'S TIME A Chance to Give

SPECIAL MUSIC *All Things Are Yours* The Children

CHRISTIAN GREETINGS

GOD OUR MAKER DOES PROVIDE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 100

SPECIAL FOCUS Our Church's Value

HYMN NO. 376 *We Gather Together* KREMSER

MORNING PRAYER

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE John 14: 8-14

ALL THE WORLD IS GOD'S OWN FIELD

ANTHEM *For the Autumn Sky* Ruth Schram

SERMON *Greater Works than These* Dr. Ray Howell III

HYMN NO. 384 *This Is My Father's World* TERRA BEATA

ALL IS SAFELY GATHERED IN

OFFERTORY PRAYER Johnny Beck

OFFERTORY *For the Beauty of the Earth* Kocher

DOXOLOGY NO. 809* *Rise In Unison* OLD HUNDREDTH

RAISE THE GLORIOUS HARVEST HOME

SPECIAL FOCUS The Difference We Can Make

CHORAL BENEDICTION *May the Grace of Christ Our Savior* OMNI DEI

POSTLUDE *We Praise You, O God* Flor Peeters

Worship Participants

Leading our special emphasis on our church's value today are Brannon Gilliam, Margaret Ann Maddox, Mark Lambros, and William Fulbright.

Musicians for today's service

Beverly Khemlani - organ

Sanctuary Choir

Sanctuary Ringers

Paul Freeman - Director

Christian sympathy is extended to Alice Jones and family on the death of her sister, Lois Howe of California on November 17.

The Deacons of the Week are Rod Penry and Sandye Saintsing.

Chili Cook-Off and Bake Sale today Fellowship Hall

\$7.00 Adults \$3.00 Children 12 and under \$20.00 Family Limit

Thanksgiving Eve Service, Wednesday, November 26

Theme "Forgive"

Dinner 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. - Fellowship Hall - Worship Service - 6:20 p.m. - Fellowship Hall
Cost: \$5.00 (\$3.00 children 12 & under)

Menu: Brunswick Stew, Salad Bar, Corn Bread, Dessert Children: Chicken Tenders

First Baptist Church Office and MBCC will be closed

Thursday, November 27 and Friday, November 28 for Thanksgiving

Salvation Army Angel Tree

The Christmas Angels for the Salvation Army are available this morning.

Global Missions Offering

It is the time of year that we give a special offering to the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship for missions. You have a Mission envelope in your packet or just mark your check for CBF Global Mission Offering. May we give so others can serve.

Food Boxes

It is time for the food boxes for needy families in our community. Please give as you are able. Last year we prepared 60 boxes at a cost of \$75 - \$80 each. Make checks payable to FBC. The deadline is Sunday, December 14. The boxes will be delivered on Wednesday, December 17. Contact Peggy Barnhardt or the church office if you wish to help pack boxes or deliver them.

Visit the web site - fbcllex.org - Check out Online Giving!

Announcements

Sunday, 11/23

9:00 a.m.	Sunday Morning Prayer Ministry	Conference Room
9:30 a.m.	Morning Coffee Gathering	2nd Floor Lobby
5:30 p.m.	Downtown Choir Rehearsal	FBC Music Suite
6:00 p.m.	Youth Snack Supper	Civic Center
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Middle & High School Youth (The Grinch)	Civic Center
7:00 p.m.	Deacons' Meeting	Parlor

Monday, 11/24

5:30 p.m.	Hand Bell Rehearsal	Chapel
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Wednesday, 11/26

5:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Child Care Babies (inform church if you need childcare)	Nursery
5:15 - 6:15 p.m.	*Dinner	Fellowship Hall
6:20 p.m.	Thanksgiving Eve Service	Fellowship Hall

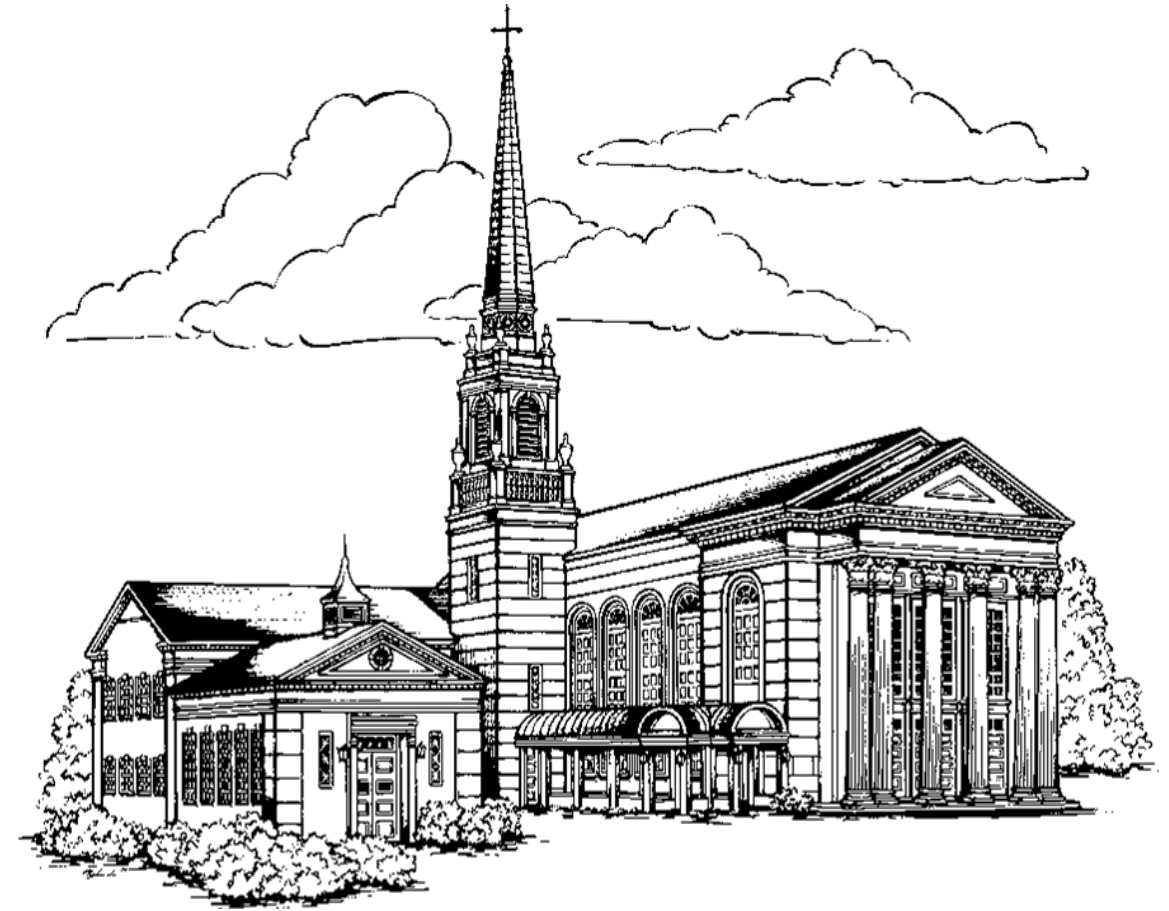
Extended Sessions:

November 23: Bed Babies: M/M David Mitcham **Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** Sandra Blackwelder & Crystal Alexander **3 & 4 Year Olds:** Brenda Sprinkle, Sarah Hall & Courtney Sams

November 30: Bed Babies: Jen Fuller Allen & Brooke Williams

Toddlers & 2 Year Olds: M/M Kevin Brown **3 & 4 Year Olds:** M/M William Hopkins

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