

The Worship of God

October 25, 2015

Eleven o'clock in the morning

Reformation Sunday

THE GATHERING

The call to Christian discipleship is never easy. Christ calls us to deny ourself, take up our cross, and follow him. As we worship on this Reformation Sunday, we are called to renew our commitment and refresh our faith. God, who is rich in mercy, makes us alive when we are dead, and gives us new life out of His great love. O come, let us worship God!

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Cebell* Henry Purcell
CHORAL INTROIT *O Worship the King* Lyons
Opening of the Bible Parker Fowler

CALL TO WORSHIP

 Maggie Lancaster

Leader: Shake up the morning!
People: For God has given us a new covenant: knowledge carried in our hearts.
Leader: Shake up the world!
People: For God has given us a gift beyond price: justification through Christ Jesus.
Leader: Shake up the church!
People: For God has given us freedom: a permanent place in God's family.
Leader: We place our faith and trust in God who is our refuge and strength.
People: A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing!

HYMN NO. 43 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* EIN' FESTE BURG
Lighting the Christ Candle

THE CHILDREN'S TIME

CHRISTIAN GREETINGS

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 46

HYMN NO. 530 *Be Still, My Soul* FINLANDIA

MORNING PRAYER

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Mark 8: 34-37

ANTHEM *God is My Strong Salvation* Lovelace

SERMON *Let It Go?* Dr. Ray Howell III

HYMN NO. 578 *Come, All Christians, Be Committed* BEACH SPRING

OFFERTORY PRAYER Don Watson

OFFERTORY *Introspection* Richard Purvis

DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDREDTH

CHORAL BENEDICTION *God Be With You Till We Meet Again* Freeman

POSTLUDE *Agincourt Hymn* John Dunstable

Today's Lay Reader is Elizabeth Lancaster

Musicians for Today's Service

Beverly Khemlani - Organist

Sanctuary Choir

Block Party This Afternoon!

All of the downtown churches are sponsoring a Block Party and a Trunk or Treat this afternoon from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. on West Third Avenue between Lanier's and First Presbyterian. The Trunk or Treat is in the parking lot behind First Methodist. There will be games, food, music, and great fun! Come and join us in this festive community celebration!

Annual Fall Festival - October 28 - 6:30 - Fellowship Hall

Menu: Mexican Fiesta Bar

Fun, Costumes, Games, Food, Hayride, Prizes!!!! (Candy is still needed)

Announcements

Sunday, 10/25

9:00 a.m.	Sunday Morning Prayer Ministry	Conference Room
9:30 a.m.	Morning Coffee Gathering	Second Floor Elevator Lobby
7:00 p.m.	Deacon's Meeting	Parlor

Monday, 10/26

7:00 p.m.	Fall Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
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Tuesday, 10/27

10:30 a.m.	Fall Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
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Wednesday, 10/28

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.	Senior Adult Choir Rehearsal	Music Suite
5:15 - 6:15 p.m.	*Dinner	Fellowship Hall
6:30 - 7:15 p.m.	Fall Festival	Fellowship Hall
7:30 - 9:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Music Suite

All Saints Sunday, November 1

Next Sunday, All Saints Sunday, we will remember our sixteen church members who died in the past year. We also invite those of you who have lost an immediate member of your family to participate. If you would like to memorialize your loved one as a part of our service next Sunday, please contact the church office by Wednesday of this week.

CROP Walk Next Sunday

The annual CROP Walk is next Sunday, November 1. Everyone is invited to walk or sponsor a walker. Our youth will be walking to raise money for world hunger. Twenty-five percent of the money we raise remains in Davidson County. The walk begins at 1:45 p.m. in our church parking lot.

*Menu: Mexican Fiesta Bar

RSVP by noon Monday

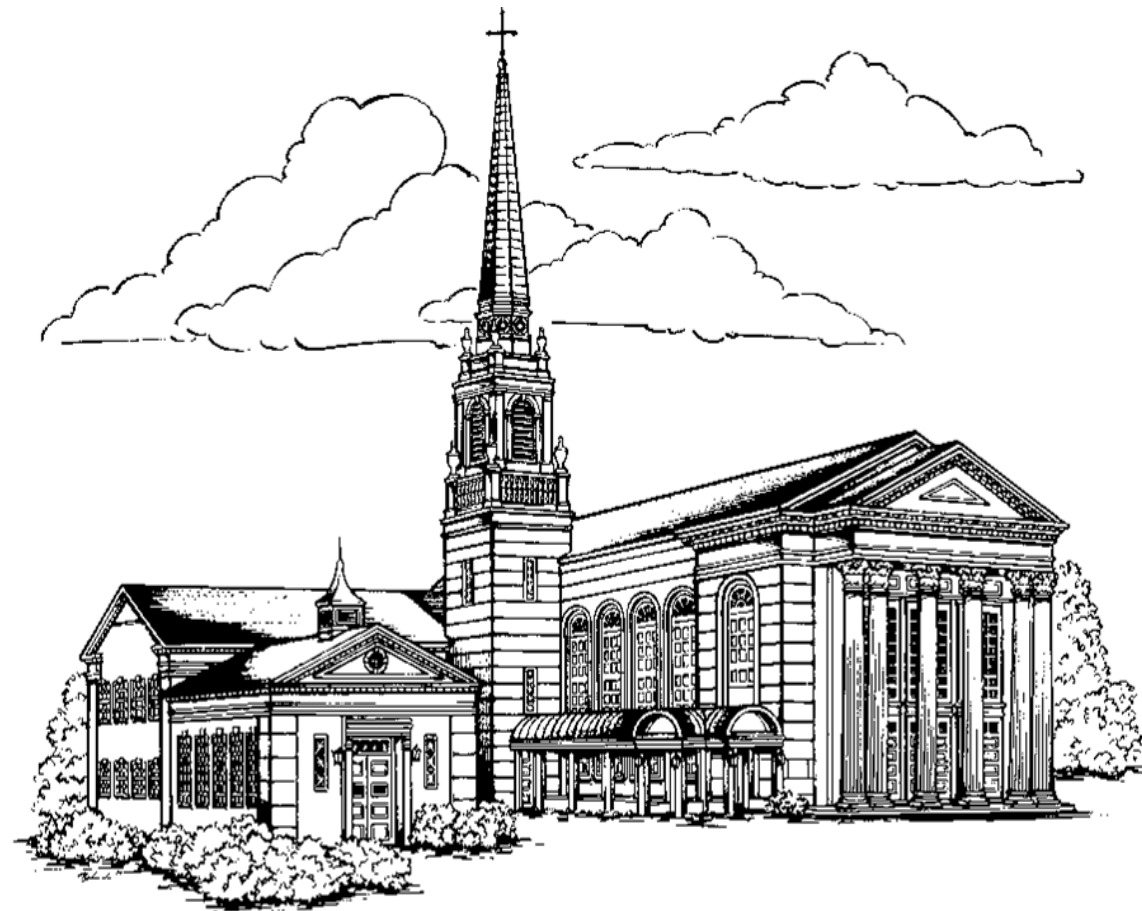
Extended Sessions:

October 25: Bed Babies: M/M Jim Skotthy **Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** M/M Lee Davis

3 A& 4 Year Olds: Catherine Pyle & Adriana Ortiz

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