

The Worship of God

May 1, 2016

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

THE GATHERING

Within this hallowed sanctuary babies have been dedicated to God, children have been immersed in the cleansing water of baptism, graduations have been celebrated, the sacred vows of marriage have been exchanged and the words of resurrection and hope have comforted families in times of death. All of life's most significant milestones are consecrated in this sacred place. Six generations of Charlotte's family have worshiped and served in First Baptist Lexington. The legacy of faith is passed down to Charlotte as we witness and celebrate her baptism today!

EARLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Praeludium* Gordon Young

SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 1: 9-11 Caroline Pyle

CALL TO WORSHIP Madeline Blackwell

Leader: Today we remember the story of Jesus' baptism, when he was baptized by his cousin John in the Jordan River.

People: And he saw the spirit of God descending like a dove.

Leader: And he heard a voice from heaven saying,

People: "This is my beloved child with whom I am pleased."

Leader: Today we have come to celebrate the baptism of my cousin, Charlotte.

People: Charlotte is God's beloved child with whom he is pleased.

ANTHEM *Shall We Gather At the River* arr. Carter
Opening of the Bible Cate and Charlotte Pyle
Lighting of the Christ Candle Waverly Blackwell

FAMILY INTRODUCTIONS

ANTHEM *Shall We Gather At the River* arr. Carter

THE CELEBRATION OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM Charlotte Pyle

HYMN NO. 84 *Children of the Heavenly Father* TRYGGARE KAN INGEN VARA

CHILDREN'S TIME Julia Dunn

CHRISTIAN GREETINGS

Jim Tate

HYMN NO. 758

Baptized in Water

BUNESSAN

OFFERTORY PRAYER

William Fulbright

THE OFFERTORY

Morning Hymn

Gordon Young

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.*

TESTIMONY OF BAPTISM

Barbara Epley

MORNING PRAYER

HYMN NO. 384

This Is My Father's World

TERRA BEATA

THE LEXINGTON CHORAL ENSEMBLE

Melonie Rector, Director

The Word was God

Rosephanye Powell-Processional

The Gift to Be Simple

arr. Bob Chilcott

Esto Ies Digo

Kinley Lange

(Translation: Where two or three are gathered in My name, there will I be also.)

Praise His Holy Name

Keith Hampton

POSTLUDE

Postludium

Gordon Young

Musicians for today's service

Beverly Khemlani - Organ

Sanctuary Choir

*Christian sympathy is extended to Clara Mize upon the death of her brother,
Odell Story on April 21.*

Food Roundup for Baptist Children's Homes - Month of April

A list of items needed is located in the Sunday School classrooms and the church office. A collection box is located in the dining area of the Children's Center.

First Baptist Night at the W-S Dash Friday, May 6

We have all-inclusive tickets for the Winston-Salem Dash on Friday, May 6. The tickets are \$21 and include admission, a cap, and food during the game.

Fireworks are also scheduled following the game. Please let the church office know if you would like a ticket. Last date for reservations is tomorrow, Monday, May 2.

June 1 is "Dream Night" at FBC Wednesday, June 1 - 6:30 p.m. - Fellowship Hall

We are moving forward as a congregation in uncharted waters, but we are a people of faith believing that God will lead us in our journey. "The future belongs to those who believe in their dreams."

On Wednesday night, June 1, we will have a "Dream Night." This will be a joyful and optimistic gathering with delicious desserts to sweeten our dreams! We want you to dream of where our church can be 5 years from now - 10 years from now! Make June 1 a priority! Dare to dream great dreams for First Baptist!

Week's Schedule

Sunday, 5/1

9:00 a.m.	Sunday Morning Prayer Ministry	Conference Room
6:00 p.m.	Youth Snack Supper (Carol Frank)	Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m.	Middle & High School Youth Activities	Fellowship Hall/Attic

Wednesday, 5/4

5:30 p.m.	Nominating Committee Meeting	Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m.	Building & Grounds Committee	Fellowship Hall
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Music Suite

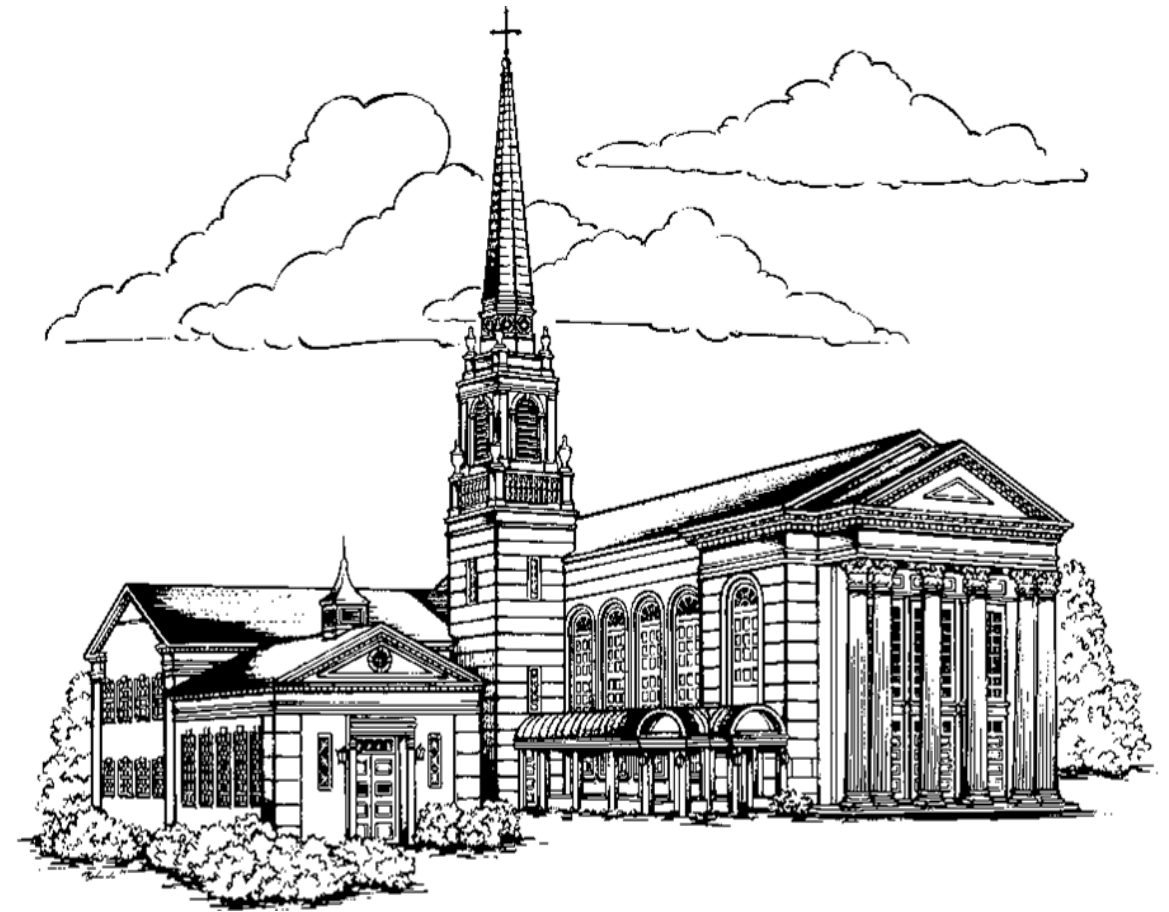
*Extended Sessions:

May 1: Bed Babies: M/M Richard Baxley **Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** M/M Bryan Lingerfelt

3 & 4 Year Olds: Ray Nance Howell, Ethan Houser & Andy Killebrew

May 8: Bed Babies: Donna Routh & Wendy Walker **Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** M/M Dale Lambeth **3 & 4 Year Olds:** M/M Dale Frank

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