

The Worship of God

September 24, 2017

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Gathering

“Christ is not only present **in the word** of the Church, but also **as the word** of the Church.”
Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Early Announcements as the Church Gathers to Worship

Prelude “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty” arr. Carl F. Mueller

Choral Introit “Open My Eyes That I May See” Scott
Opening of the Bible Jordyn Young

Call to Worship

Zoey Mize

Leader: In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

People: In the beginning was the word.

Leader: The word became flesh and dwelt among us.

People: The word which was from the beginning is the word of life.

Leader: Holy, Holy, Holy!

People: Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.

Hymn No. 2 “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty” NICAEA
Lighting of the Christ Candle

The Children’s Time

Christian Greetings

Solo “Learning to Lean” Stallings

Hymn No. 609 “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” SHOWALTER

Scripture Lessons Genesis 1: 1-3, John 1: 1-14, and 1 John 1: 1-4
A Congregational Prayer of Confession No. 457

Morning Prayer (followed by the Lord’s Prayer)

Anthem “A Jubilant Song” Allen Pote

Sermon “A Word is Not a Word Until...” Dr. Ray N. Howell III

Hymn No. 309 “Wonderful Words of Life” WORDS OF LIFE

Offertory Prayer Carl Garrison

The Offertory “Larghetto” William de Fesch

Doxology No. 809 OLD HUNDREDTH

Choral Benediction “God Will Take Care of You” Martin

Postlude “Voluntary” Edwin Kendall

Today’s Lay Reader is Betty Jane Honeycutt

Today’s Service

Beverly Khemlani-Organist Jim Barton-Tenor Sanctuary Choir

Welcome New Members

Last Sunday we joyfully welcomed Rena Morrison and Vance Dewey into the fellowship of our church. Rena and Vance come on transfer of letter from the First Baptist Church in Bennington, Vermont.

Being Baptist

Meagan Smith will begin a three-week series on “Being Baptist” this Wednesday night. Make your reservations by emailing wednesday@fbclex.org or calling the church office at 336-245-1261 by noon on Monday.

Weekly Schedule at FBC

Prayer Ministry Room	Sunday at 9 a.m. in the Conference Room
Coffee and Fellowship	Sunday at 9:30 a.m. on the 2 nd floor
Belize Meeting	5 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall
Youth Snack Supper and Youth Group	6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall
Deacons	7 p.m. in the Parlor
Holy Land Presentation Hall	Monday at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall
Senior Adult Choir	Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in Music Suite
Wednesday Night Meal	Reservations Required - 5:15 p.m.
Budget Meeting	Following Wednesday night program in Fellowship Hall.
Sanctuary Choir	Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Music Suite
“Science and Spirituality”	Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship all

Barter Theatre in Abingdon on October 14

Tickets are \$44.00 to see “The Music Man” on this Senior Adult Trip. See Sharon Palmer for more details.

New Church Pictorial Directory

Our church directory will not be complete without you. You can make an appointment in the church library immediately following today’s service.

Mission Emphasis

Our mission emphasis for the fall will be on Dragonfly House. Throughout the month of October, there will be opportunities to help this agency which focuses on helping in situations of child abuse. We will collect new t-shirts of all colors and sizes, materials to make blankets (which different groups in the church will be making as a project), and monetary donations. On October 22nd, Executive Director Brandi Reagan will join us in worship to share their work and mission after which a love offering will be collected.

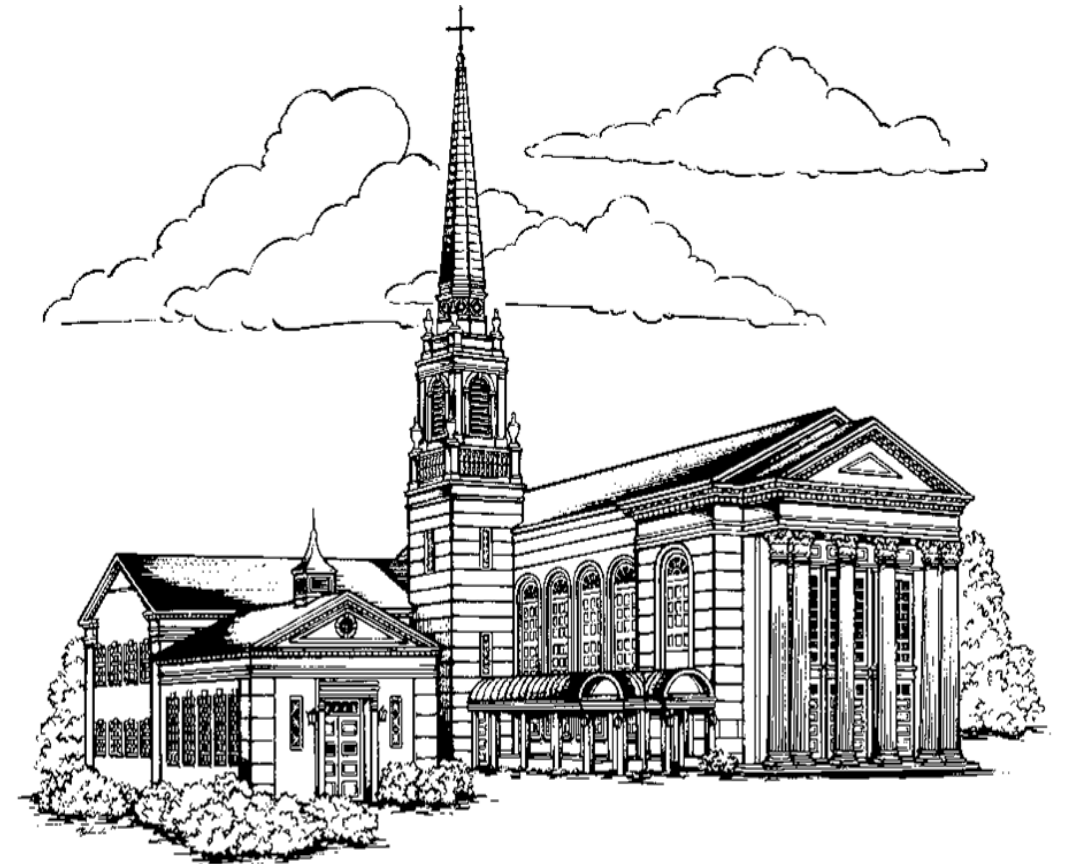
Extended Sessions: September 24: Bed Babies-M/M Brian Lancaster: Toddler/2 Year-Olds- M/M Zak Young: 3 and 4 Year-Olds-M/M Josh Boyle

October 1: Bed Babies-M/M Dale Lambeth: Toddler/2 Year-Olds-M/M Dave Thornhill: 3 and 4 year-olds-Tina Wall/Brenda Hipp

September 20th Menu

Adults: Baked Spaghetti with Garlic Toast, Italian Tossed Salad, Dessert
Children: Baked Spaghetti

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