# The Worship of God

September 3, 2017

**The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost** 

#### The Gathering

We gather to worship God who created all things and blesses those who work daily in home, school, plant, office, field and marketplace. Our labor is a sacrament unto the Lord so let us work with our whole heart knowing that it is Jesus Christ we serve.

**Prelude** "When Morning Gilds the Skies" arr. Alan Ridout

Choral Introit"Holy Spirit, Light Divine"arr. FreemanOpening of the BibleAva Jane Hartley

Call to Worship Alex Ortiz

Leader: God said, "Six days you shall labor and do all your work, **People: but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord."** 

Leader: Jesus said, "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden,

People: and I will give you rest."

Leader: We come in the name of the Spirit, resting from our labors. People: Let us worship God and may Jesus Christ be praised!

**Hymn No. 99** "When Morning Gilds the Skies" LAUDES DOMINI

Lighting of the Christ Candle

The Children's Time

**Christian Greetings** 

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 52: 7-10

## Recognition of our Sunday School Leadership

Minister: We gather today to celebrate the beauty of teaching and learning, of caring and

supporting, of leading and following.

People: We are thankful for our Sunday School teachers and leaders.

Minister: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

People: Praise God for those who faithfully share the good news each week in Sunday School.

Minister: Grant them wisdom and patience, knowledge and understanding as they serve God by serving us.

#### **Morning Prayer**

**Hymn No. 669** "God of Grace and God of Glory" CWM RHONDDA

New Testament Lesson 2 Timothy 2: 14-19

**Solo** "Name Above All" Andy Park

**Sermon** "O Day of Rest and Gladness" Ray N. Howell III

**Hymn No. 743** "Christ for the World! We Sing!" ITALIAN HYMN

**Offertory Prayer** 

**The Offertory** "More Love to Thee O Christ" arr. Janet Linker

"O Love That Will Not Let Me Go"

Doxology 809 OLD HUNDREDTH

**Choral Benediction** "Let Others See Jesus In You" arr. Freeman

Postlude "Voluntary" Maurice Greene

#### Today's Lay Reader is Tobin Shepherd

## Today's Service

Beverly Khemlani, Organist Brian Freeman, Soloist Sanctuary Choir

We are grateful to Brian Freeman for directing the choir today.

#### **Christian Sympathy**

Heartfelt Christian sympathy is extended to Jimmy Davis and his family in the death of his brother, Danny Davis of Statesville on August 24.

#### Weekly Schedule at FBC

**Prayer Ministry** Sunday at 9 a.m. in the Conference

Room

Coffee and Fellowship Sunday at 9:30 a.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor The Carolyn Phillips Mission Group September 5<sup>th</sup> 12 noon at Yarborough's Restaurant

Megan Smith will join us. All are welcome!

Sanctuary Choir Wednesday 7:30 p.m. in Music Suite "The Class" led by Ray and Meagan

Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, September 17th Riverdale

#### September 10<sup>th</sup> Block Party

Everyone is invited to join us next Sunday, September 10th beginning at 3 p.m. for an exciting and fun-filled afternoon of music, food, games and fellowship. Around twenty-five of our local agencies will be represented to share their services with the greater community.

#### Award-Winning Musical Legends on September 13<sup>th</sup>

You are invited to join us on Wednesday night, September 13th for a delicious BBQ Chicken dinner followed by folk music artists Matthew Weaver and Clay Lunsford. Reservations are necessary by emailing wednesday@fbclex.org or calling the church office at 336-245-1261. The dinner is \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children.

#### Coming Soon!!!! - New Church Pictorial Directory

Photo sessions will take place the first two weeks of October. Scheduling is available on line at fbclex.org. Schedule your session NOW to get your chosen spot!!!

Extended Sessions: September 3: Bed Babies-M/M Jon Myers: Toddler/2 Year-Olds-M/M Jim Skotthy: 3 and 4 Year-Olds-Donna Sink/Ann Bishop

September 10: Bed Babies-M/M Kyle Kepley: Toddler/2 Year-Olds-M/M Thomas Jolly: 3 and 4 year-olds-Katie Hartley/Kelly Wright

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