

Next Sunday, October 6 - World Communion Sunday

October 27 Homecoming

Come Home....to Sunday School

Watch for more details coming soon about a special Sunday school emphasis October 27, when the church will celebrate Homecoming.

Announcements

Sunday, 9/29

9:00 a.m.	Sunday Morning Prayer Ministry	Conference Room
5:30 - 6:15 p.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	FUMC
7:00 p.m.	Downtown Youth Choir Performs	FUMC

Monday, 9/23

5:30 p.m.	Hand Bell Rehearsal	Music Suite
7:00 p.m.	Fall Bible Study	Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, 10/1

10:30 a.m.	Fall Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
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Wednesday, 10/2

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.	Senior Adult Singers	Music Suite
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Child Care Babies	Nursery

(Please inform the church if you need child care)

5:15 - 6:15 p.m.	*Dinner (Children First)	Fellowship Hall
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5:45 - 6:30 p.m.	GA's (Grades 1st thru 5th)	Room 212
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	RA's	Room 202
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	Mission Friends	Room 225
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	Youth Choir	Music Suite
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6:30 - 7:15 p.m.	Joyful Singers (Age 4 - 1st Grade)	Room 206
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	Chancel Choristers (Grades 2nd thru 5th)	Music Suite
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	Middle & High School Youth	The ATTIC
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	Church Fellowship /Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
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(Prison Ministry)

7:30 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Music Suite
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*Menu: Spaghetti, Salad Bar, Garlic Bread, Cookie

RSVP by noon Monday

Extended Sessions:

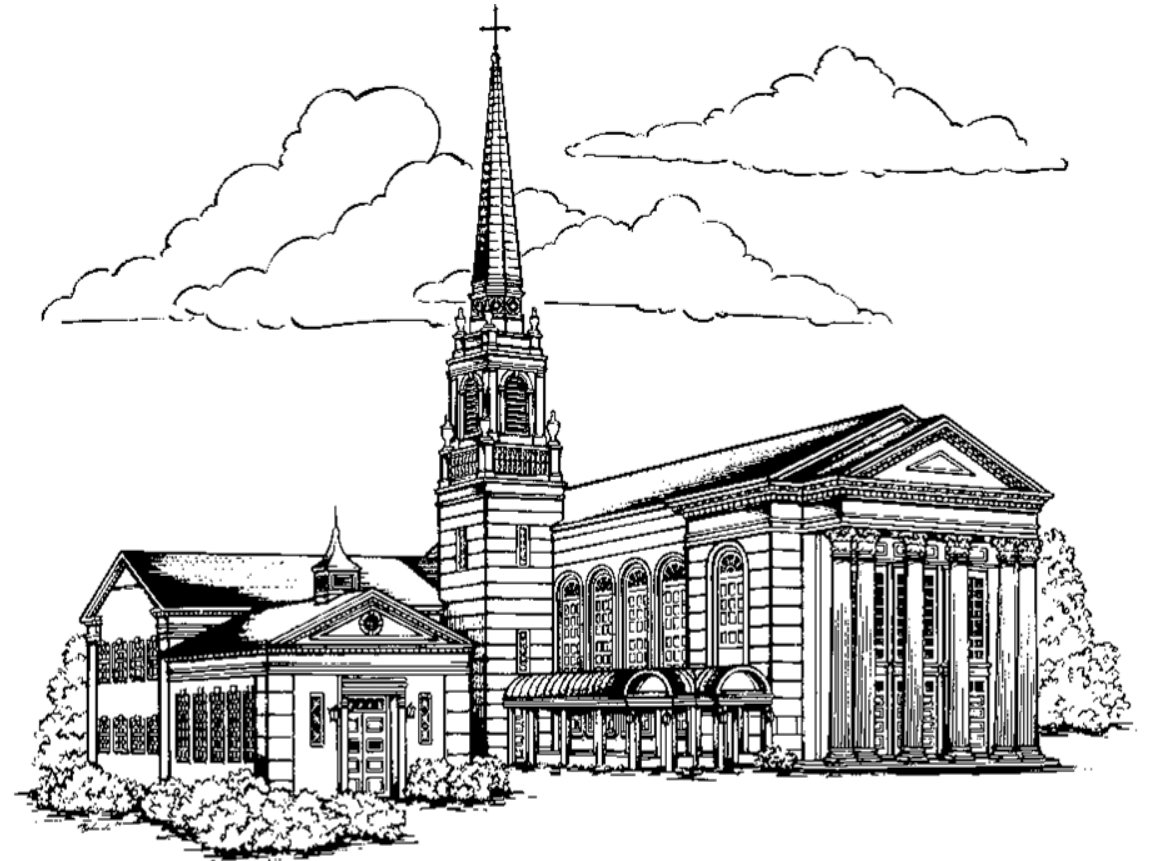
September 29: Bed Babies: M/M Brian Lancaster Toddlers & 2 Year Olds: M/M Dave

Thornhill 3 & 4 Year Olds: Tina Wall & Lily Thornhill

October 6: Bed Babies: M/M Greg Briggs Toddlers & 2 Year Olds: M/M Kyle Kepley

3 & 4 Year Olds: M/M Charlie Pyle

First Baptist Church Lexington, N.C.



RAY N. HOWELL III
Senior Minister

TOMMY WILSON
Associate Minister

JAMES BATES
Director of Music

JEAN ASHLEY
Martha Best Children's Center Director

The Worship of God

Eleven o'clock in the morning September 29, 2013 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

THE GATHERING

For each step that we might take, Be our guide, O Lord of life. For each load that we might bear, Be our strength, O Lord of Life. For each mountain we might face, Be our power, O Lord of life. For each river that might impede, Be our safety, O Lord of life. For each place where we might rest, Be our peace, O Lord of life. For each sunrise and sunset, Be our joy, O Lord of life.

THE NEWS OF THE CHURCH

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE AND GROWTH

PRELUDE

Rigaudon

Andre Campra

Opening of the Bible

Caroline Pyle

CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: O God, like a thunderstorm in the desert,

People: Your grace restores our parched souls.

Minister: We are redeemed not because we are good,

People: But because you are merciful.

Minister: We rejoice in the saving power of Jesus the Christ,

People: Who delivers us from the death of sin.

Minister: And who calls us to take Jesus, "Just as He Is!"

INVOCATION

HYMN NO. 8

All Glory Be to God on High

MIT FREUDEN ZART

CHILDREN'S TIME

CHRISTIAN GREETINGS

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Lamentations 3: 22-26

HYMN NO. 60

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

Minister: Circle us, Lord, Circle us with the light of your presence within this dark world. Enable us to be overcomers of fear and temptation. Enable us to become that which you would desire.

(Silent prayer)

Lord of creation, Lord of Salvation.

All: Circle us with the light of your presence.

Minister: Circle us, Lord. Circle our family within the shelter of your outstretched arms. Protect them in each moment of their daily lives. Protect them in the decisions that they face. Protect their homes and relationships.

(Silent prayer)

Lord of Creation, Lord of Salvation.

All: Circle our families with the light of your presence.

Minister: Circle us, Lord. Circle this world with the joy of your Salvation. Where there is sickness and disease bring healing. Where there is hunger and despair bring hope. Where there is torture and oppression bring release.
(Silent prayer)

Lord of creation, Lord of Salvation.

All: Circle this world with the light of your presence.

MORNING PRAYER

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 4: 35-41

ANTHEM

If You Search with All Your Heart

Craig Courtney

SERMON

Taking Jesus Just as He Is

Dr. Ray Howell III

HYMN NO. 445

Just As I Am without One Plea

WOODWORTH

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Cheryl Wicker

THE OFFERTORY

Courante

George F. Handel

DOXOLOGY NO. 809

OLD HUNDREDTH

RECEIVING OF NEW MEMBERS

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Voluntary

Fr. Walczynski

Today's Lay Reader is Shirley Crotts.

Musicians for today's service

Beverly Khemlani - organ

Sanctuary Choir

The Deacons of the week are Brian Walker and Chad Williams.

Ordination

Last Sunday we celebrated the ordination of Kay Albright into the deacon ministry. We rejoice in Kay's ordination and welcome her to the new class of deacons who will serve our church for the next three years.

Weaver Preaching Mission This Evening 7:00 p.m.

Our Downtown Youth Choir will sing publically for the first time tonight at 7:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church for the Weaver Preaching Mission. Bishop Ken Carter, along with spiritual story-telling artist Fred Jones, will lead the service. You are cordially invited to attend.