

The Worship of God

September 21, 2014

Eleven o'clock in the morning

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

THE GATHERING

"The Beatitudes are among the literary and religious treasures of the human race acknowledged by almost everyone to be one of the highest expressions of religious insight and moral inspiration."

Dallas Willard

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Come, Thou Almighty King* Carl F. Mueller

CHORAL INTROIT *O Come and Sing to the Lord* Freeman

Opening of the Bible Maddie Stafford

Lighting the Christ Candle Madeline Blackwell

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let us walk this path together,

People: That we may journey as one family.

Leader: Let us come to the mountain to listen to the Master,

People: Jesus is our teacher, our example, our guide and friend.

Leader: Let us go forth with unity of purpose and an openness to God's Spirit,

People: As the Spirit leads us into paths of righteousness and grace.

HYMN NO. 5 *Come, Thou Almighty King* ITALIAN HYMN

THE CHILDREN'S TIME

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHRISTIAN GREETINGS

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 1

CALL TO PRAYER

Minister: God of Compassion, you know how we rebel against you.

People: You know how we doubt and fear and hold back when you call us to freedom in Jesus.

Minister: God, forgive us. Free us by the power of your cross that we may serve you without fear.

People: Lead us to Jesus who was faithful to the end.

HYMN NO. 621 *I Must Tell Jesus* ORWIGSBURG

MORNING PRAYER

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 5: 1-12

ANTHEM

I Surrender All

Hogan

SERMON

The Land of the Blessed

Dr. Ray Howell III

HYMN NO. 563

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Chime Prelude

Raymond Herbek

DOXOLOGY NO. 809*

OLD HUNDREDTH

RECEIVING OF NEW MEMBERS

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Blessed Savior Walk With Us

Freeman

POSTLUDE

Voluntary in F Major

C.H. Rinck

Today's Lay Reader Linda Engstrom.

Musicians for Today's Service

Beverly Khemlani - organ

Sanctuary Choir

The Deacons of the Week are Frances Hoover and Rod Penry.

*The congregation stands for the Doxology in ordered rows as a symbol of the diverse people of God coming together as one as the church of Jesus Christ. Please stand when the ushers pass your pew during the introduction to the Doxology. The balcony should stand when you see the ushers approaching the front of the sanctuary.

Fall Bible Study

Starting Monday, September 22 and Wednesday, September 23

"The Beatitudes" will be the focus of the Monday Night/Tuesday Morning Bible Study beginning **tomorrow**.

Ray Nance Howell IV Preaching Next Sunday

Ray Nance Howell IV is the Director of Patient Services for Carolina Cancer Services. His sermon next Sunday is titled "*The Patient Faith*" based on Romans 8. The following Sunday, October 5, you are invited to bring cans of Ensure or Boost as we receive Communion.

UCC Arts Series Musical Concert September 29

Beverly Khemlani is one of the featured organists.

Dr. Katherine Shaner - Guest Lecturer

Wednesday, September 24 - 6:30 p.m. - Fellowship Hall

Announcements

Sunday, 9/21

9:00 a.m.	Sunday Morning Prayer Ministry	Conference Room
9:00 a.m.	Finance Committee Meeting	Chapel
5:15 - 6:00 p.m.	Downtown Youth Choir Rehearsal	FBC Music Suite
	Middle & High School Parent Meeting	Fellowship Hall
6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	Youth Snack Supper	Fellowship Hall
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Youth Regular Activities	Fellowship Hall

Monday, 9/22

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

Tuesday, 9/23

10:30 a.m.	Fall Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
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Wednesday, 9/24

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.	Senior Adult Choir Rehearsal	Music Suite
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Child Care (inform the church if you need it)	Nursery
5:15 - 6:15 p.m.	*Dinner (children eat first)	Fellowship Hall
5:45 - 6:30 p.m.	GA's (Grades 1st - 5th)	Room 212
	RA's	Room 202
	Mission Friends	Room 225
	Acteens	Room 226
6:30 - 7:15 p.m.	Joyful Singers (Age 4 - 1st Grade)	Room 230
	Chancel Choristers (Grades 2 - 5)	Music Suite
	Youth	The ATTIC
	Church Fellowship/Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
7:30 - 9:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Music Suite

*Menu: Chicken Supreme, Roasted Sweet Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad Bar, Banana

Pudding Children: Chicken Tenders

RSVP by Noon Monday

Extended Sessions:

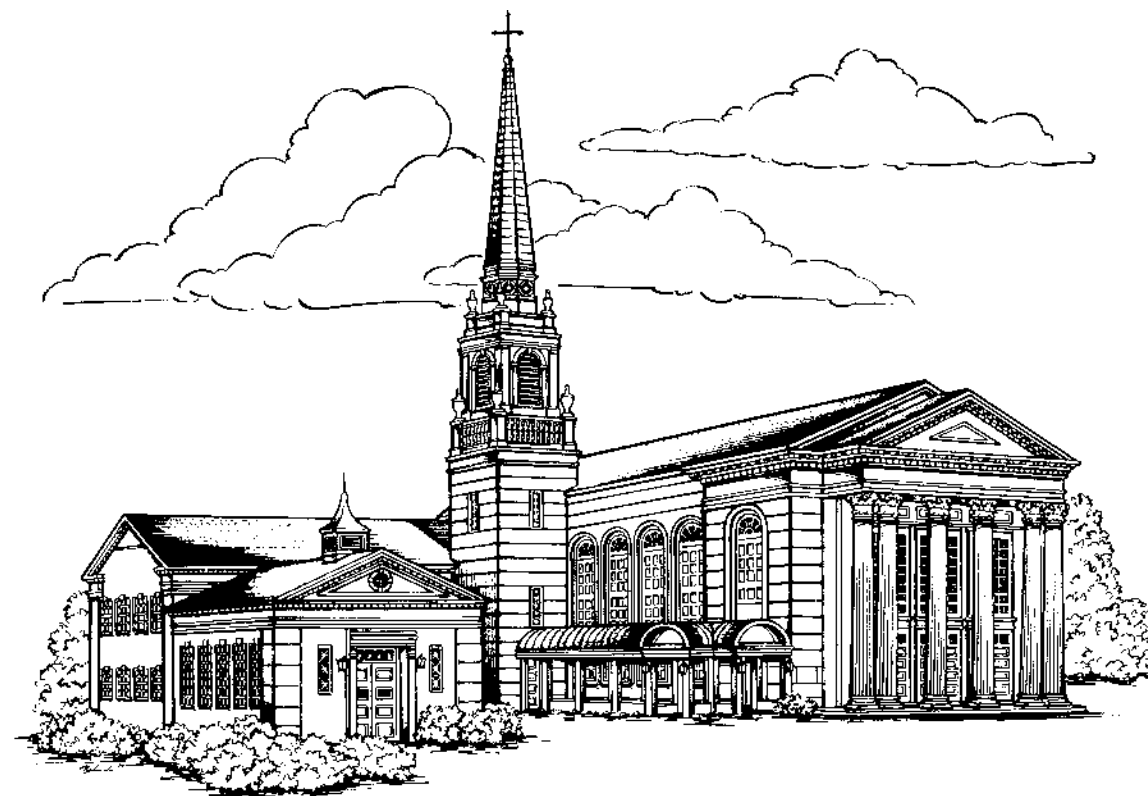
September 21: Bed Babies: M/M Carl Wagstaff **Toddlers/2 Year Olds:** M/M Kyle Kepley

3 & 4 Year Olds: Hazel Frady & Brenda Hipp

September 28: Bed Babies: M/M Bryan Lancaster **Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** M/M Dave

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

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Associate Minister

PAUL FREEMAN
Minister of Music

JEAN ASHLEY
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