

# The Worship of God

November 15, 2015

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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## THE GATHERING

*Through Christian Baptism we are made a part of God's Covenant People. By the gift of water we are incorporated into the Body of Christ. Baptism is a Gift and a Blessing. Today we celebrate the Baptism of Zoey Mize. Let us worship and rejoice!*

## EARLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Voluntary* Jonathan Battishill

CHORAL INTROIT *I Then Shall Live as One Who's Been Forgiven* Freeman  
Opening of the Bible Emma Jolly

*I then shall live as one who's been forgiven; I'll walk with joy to know my debts are paid. I know my name is clear before my Father; I am His child, and I am not afraid. So greatly pardoned, I'll forgive another; the law of love I gladly will obey.*

## THE CELEBRATION OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM FOR ZOEY MIZE

CALL TO WORSHIP Zoey Mize

Leader: Come to the river of life.  
**People: We come to the water, thirsty and in need.**  
Leader: Come to the water and be baptized.  
**People: We are a people of the water.**  
Leader: And I am ready to be baptized!

HYMN NO. 758 *Baptized in Water* BUNESSAN  
Lighting of the Christ Candle

## FAMILY INTRODUCTIONS

HYMN NO. 84 *Children of the Heavenly Father* TRADITIONAL

## CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

THE GLORIA PATRI NO. 805

SOLO *He Touched Me* Gaither

## CHRISTIAN GREETINGS

FAITHHEALTH EMPHASIS Dr. Victor Farrah

HYMN NO. 594

*Like a River Glorious*

WYE VALLEY

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 16: 9-15

## AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

Minister: God loves us when we feel unloved and accepts us when we have failed.  
**People: God has a plan and a purpose for all of His children.**  
Minister: We pray God's richest blessings on Zoey who has experienced the life-giving waters of baptism.  
**People: May we surround her with our love and prayers and provide a positive Christian witness as her church family.**  
Minister: May the waters of baptism be a sign of God's love for Zoey and a mark of her salvation throughout all the days of her life.  
**People: Praise God from whom all Blessings flow!**

## MORNING PRAYER

ANTHEM *He Leadeth Me* McDonald

SERMON *Shall We Gather at the River?* Dr. Ray Howell III

HYMN NO. 687 *Shall We Gather at the River?* HANSON PLACE

OFFERTORY PRAYER Greg Briggs

OFFERTORY *Largo* Samuel Wesley

THE DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDREDTH

CHORAL BENEDICTION *God Be With You Till We Meet Again* Freeman

POSTLUDE *Choral* L. Boëlman

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Today's Lay Reader is Hannah Finch

Musician's for Today's Service

Beverly Khemlani - Organist Jim Barton - Soloist Sanctuary Choir

## Food Boxes

Sunday, December 13 is the deadline for all contributions. The boxes will be delivered on Wednesday, December 16. Contact Peggy Barnhardt or the church office if you wish to help box items or deliver boxes. We prepared 60 last year at a cost of \$75.00 - \$80.00 each. Please give as you are able. Make checks payable to First Baptist Church.

## Weekly Schedule

### Sunday, 11/15

9:00 a.m.	Sunday Morning Prayer Ministry	Conference Room
9:00 a.m.	Finance Committee Meeting	Parlor
9:30 a.m.	Morning Coffee Gathering	2nd Floor Lobby
5:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Music Suite
6:00 p.m.	Youth Snack Supper	Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m.	Youth Underground Church	FBC

### Monday, 11/16

7:00 p.m.	Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
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### Tuesday, 11/17

10:30 a.m.	Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
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### Wednesday, 11/18

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.	Senior Adult Singers Rehearsal	Music Suite
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Child Care Babies (inform church if you need childcare)	Nursery
5:15 - 6:15 p.m.	*Dinner (children eat first)	Fellowship Hall
5:45 - 6:30 p.m.	GA's (Grades 1 thru 5)	Room 212
	RA's ( <b>Need Leadership</b> )	Room 202
	Mission Friends	Room 225
	Acteens	Room 206
6:30 - 7:15 p.m.	Joyful Singers (Age 4 thru 1st Grade)	Room 206
	Chancel Choristers (Grades 2 thru 5)	Music Suite
	Bible Study/Church Fellowship ( <b>Fall Prevention - Kelly Lambeth</b> )	Fellowship Hall
7:30 - 9:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Music Suite

### Thursday, 11/19

7:00 p.m.	Hand Bell Rehearsal	Chapel
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\*Menu: Ham, Mac N Cheese, Broccoli, Salad Bar, German Chocolate Cake

Children: Ham Sandwich

RSVP by **noon Monday**

#### Extended Sessions:

**November 15: Bed Babies:** Jen Fuller Allen & Brooke Williams **Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** M/M Zak Young **3 & 4 Year Olds:** M//M William Fulbright

**November 22: Bed Babies:** M/M Nathan Houser **Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** Sandra Blackwelder & Crystal Alexander **3 & 4 Year Olds:** Brenda Sprinkle, Sarah Hall & Spencer Hall

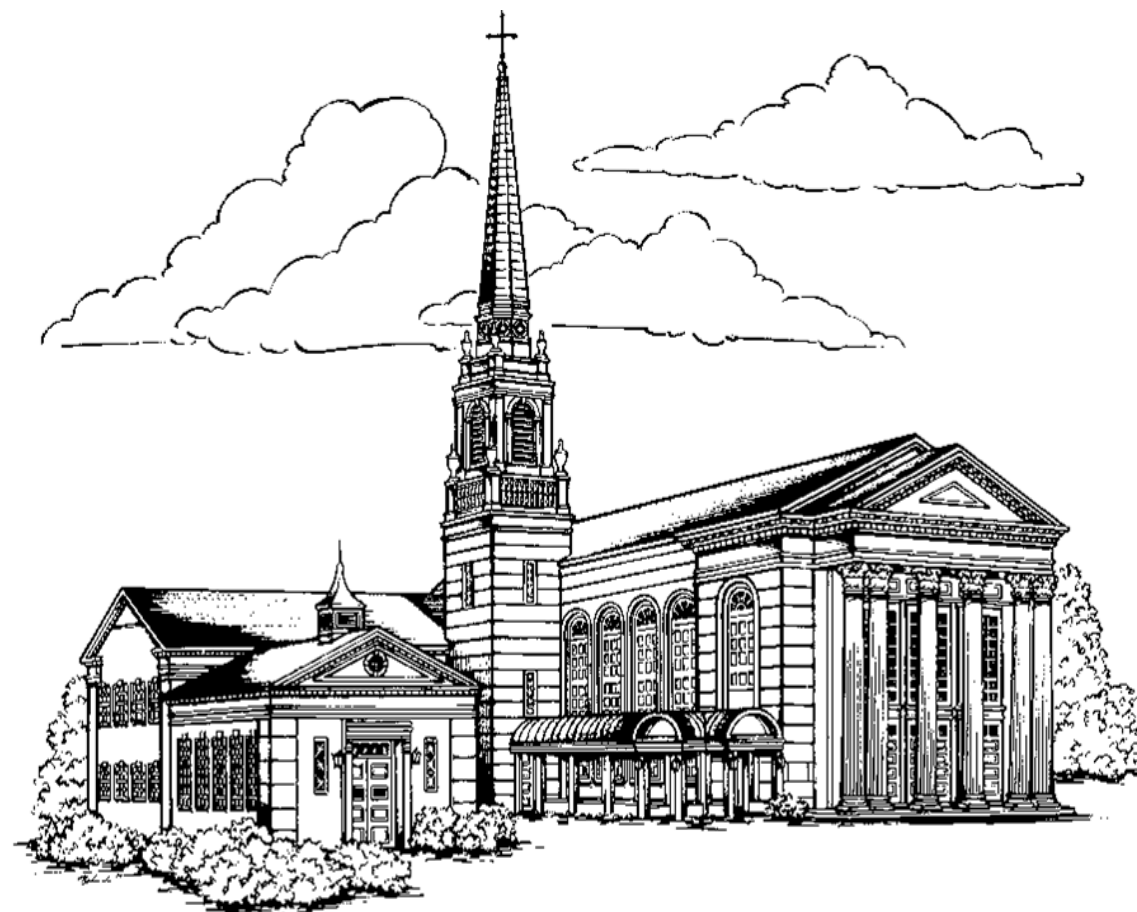
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## November is Diabetes Awareness Month

When you have diabetes your body has trouble using sugar. As a result, the sugar level in your body becomes too high. High blood sugar levels cause serious health problems. Nearly 10% of our population, 30 million people, has diabetes. For Senior Adults the figure is around 25%. Unless we stop the current trend, over a third of the population will have diabetes by 2050.

Am I at risk? The older you are the more likely you are to have diabetes. Men have more risk than women. If you have a family history you have a greater risk. If you are overweight, physically inactive, and have high blood pressure, you are at risk.

The good news is that diabetes can be controlled through diet, exercise, medications, and monitoring! The first step is to see your doctor. Engage in daily exercise, lose weight, and eat a balanced diet. The YMCA has personal trainers and nutrition coaches who can work with you individually or in a small group setting to help you get on the right track.

The National Institutes of Health Research says that programs like this reduce the number of cases of Type 2 diabetes by 60%. Contact Jen Fuller-Allen [jen@lexingtonymca.com](mailto:jen@lexingtonymca.com) for more details.

Childhood Obesity is rising at an alarming rate. Nearly 50% of children in North Carolina between the ages of 12 to 18 are overweight or obese. Four out of five children who are overweight will have health complications such as diabetes as an adult. The problem is very complicated involving genetics, lifestyles, family dynamics, environment, and social pressure. Brenner Children's Hospital has initiated a program called Brenner FIT (Families in Training), to involve the entire family in adopting new patterns of behavior to overcome obesity. Many of the classes are free and the information is available online.

Don't become another statistic! Diabetes is the 7<sup>th</sup> leading cause of death in America. Take control of your life, adopt a healthy lifestyle, and defeat diabetes!



## Operation Christmas Child

Shoe boxes are due this Wednesday, November 18.

### Pennies from Heaven

The annual Pennies from Heaven Campaign benefits Crisis Ministry. The collection jar is in the church office.



### Global Mission Offering

We share in our Global Mission Offering through CBF to share God's love around the world.

### Sanctuary Poinsettias

Wednesday, November 25 is the deadline to order Poinsettias for the Advent Season.



### Thanksgiving Season

Next Sunday is a service of Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving Eve, November 25, will be our annual sandwich buffet and Thanksgiving Eve Worship in the Fellowship Hall.

### The Underground Church

The Youth from First United Methodist Church will join our Youth tonight for Underground Church. What would it be like to live in a land where Christianity is outlawed? The Youth will be invited to find a secret location where a worship service is being held. Will they have the courage to proclaim their faith? Some will be arrested. Underground Church is tonight!

