The Worship of God

July 29, 2018 **Tenth Sunday after Pentecost** A Service of Blessing

The Gathering

"Live your truth. Express your love. Share your enthusiasm. Take action towards your dreams. Walk your talk. Dance and sing to your music. Embrace your blessings."

Steve Maraboli

Pre-Service Music Victoria Fowler

Prelude "Prelude on OLD 124th" arr. Jean Middleswarth

"All Creatures of Our God and King" Choral Introit arr. Paul Freeman Opening of the Bible Cayden McCarthy

Call to Worship Hailey Walker

Leader: Gathered in this sacred place we are seekers of light, seekers of truth. People: We are called to love God with all of our hearts and our souls

Leader: And to love God with all of our minds.

People: Open our hearts to receive your presence.

Leader: Open our souls to receive your mercy. People: Open our minds to receive your truth Leader: As we seek to live for Jesus a life that is true.

Hymn No. 569 "Living for Jesus a Life That Is True" LIVING

Lighting of the Christ Candle

The Children's Time **BELIZE MISSION TEAM**

Christian Greetings

Caroline Pyle and Harrison Fulbright **Belize Mission Report**

Morning Prayer

Hymn No. 10 "Glorify Your Name" **GLORIFY YOUR NAME** **Offertory Prayer**

The Offertory "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" arr. A.P. Van

Iderstine

Doxology **OLD HUNDREDTH**

Ty Lancaster

Scripture Lesson Ruth 1: 6-18

Special Music "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus/In Christ Alone" arr. Carol Tornquist

Sermon Dr. Ray N. Howell III "Entreat Me Not"

Hymn No. 619 "God Will Take Care of You" **GOD CARES**

Recognition of Young People Away

Minister: We are standing here today where most of you were dedicated as babies, where you worshipped as children, where you were baptized into the family of Christ and

where we celebrated your graduation. This is where you have been planted

spiritually.

People: But now you are returning to school where life is different and where the challenges and demands must be faced on your own.

Minister: Your church family wants you to know that you are always loved and this church is always your home. Your prayer supporters faithfully pray for you and our Young

People Away Committee will keep in touch with you.

People: May your faith be a lamp unto your feet and a light unto your path.

Minister: Know that you are a child of God who dearly loves us all. Go forth in peace to share God's love and be bold in your faith to answer Christ's call.

Prayer of Blessing

Presentation from Young People Away Committee

Receiving of New Members

Congregational Benediction "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" SWEET. SWEET SPIRIT

Postlude "Voluntary on LEONI" Stephen Kemp

Today's Lay Reader is Charlie Killebrew

Musicians for Today's Service

Beverly Khemlani, Organist

Victoria Fowler, Pianist

The Sanctuary Choir

Christian Sympathy

Heartfelt Christian sympathy is extended to Nancy Blackburn and her family in the passing of her sister Edna Haynes Honeycutt of Columbia, Missouri on July 12th and also to Sherri Salinas and her family in the passing of her father Roger Lee Ransom of Eccles, West Virginia on July 20th.

Budget Update

Received last week: \$11,473.65

Year-to-date deficit as of June 30th, \$31,628.09

This Week at First Baptist

Every Sunday at 9 a.m. Every Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Prayer Ministry in the Conference Room Coffee and fellowship on the Second Floor

Annual Church Picnic August 5th.

Please make plans to join us in the fellowship hall for our annual church picnic next Sunday after the 11 a.m. worship service. Since this is a picnic, please bring enough of your favorite dishes to share with others and enjoy the rich fellowship of God's people. Tea, water and coffee will be provided. We will celebrate the conclusion of another successful VBS and show pictures from the Belize Mission Trip. Please contact Wendy Walker at 336-250-0318 for more information if needed.

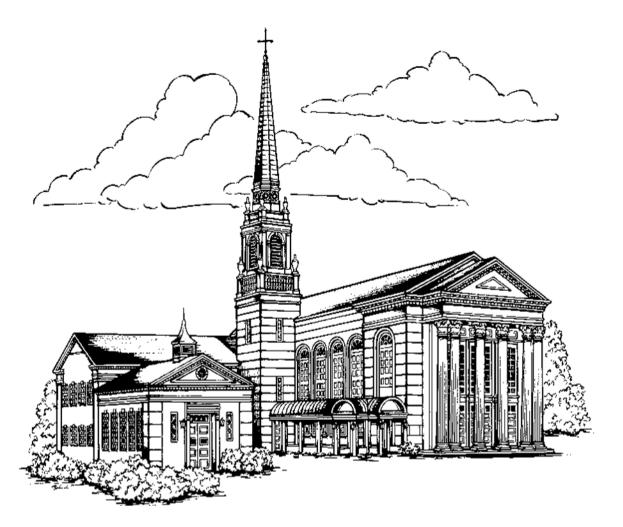
July 29th **Bed Babies-**Jen Fuller Allen/Brooke Williams; **2-4 Year Olds-**M/M Dale Lambeth

August 5th Bed Babies-M/M Nathan Houser; 2-4 Year Olds-Kelly Wright/Katie Hartley

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