

<i>The Worship of God</i>		
July 8, 2018	Commissioning Service	
The Gathering		
We are committed to serving the Lord through our various talents, becoming the hands and feet of Jesus to the people of Belize as we strengthen our faith and transform lives through compassion and love by giving all for Jesus.		
Mission Statement of 2018 Belize Mission Team		
Pre-Service Music	Grace and Alex Upton	
Prelude	“Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now”	Georg Boehm
Choral Introit	“All Creatures of Our God and King”	arr. Paul Freeman
Opening of the Bible	Ava Leigh Fulbright	
Call to Worship		
Leader: This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad!		
People: Already love is abounding and joy is flowing.		
Leader: Today we celebrate Passport and we commission our mission team.		
People: For God has called us to share his love around the world.		
Leader: Lead on, O King Eternal!		
People: The day of march has come!		
Hymn No. 747	“Lead On, O King Eternal”	LANCASHIRE
Lighting of the Christ Candle		
The Children’s Time		
Christian Greetings		
Old Testament Lesson		Isaiah 6: 1-8
Hymn No. 733	“We’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations”	MESSAGE
Offertory Prayer		Lane Gilliam

The Offertory	“O Love That Will Not Let Me Go”	Austin C. Lovelace
Doxology	OLD HUNDREDTH	
Passport Report	Passport Youth	
Morning Prayer		
Anthem	“Shall We Gather At the River”	Carter
Gospel Lesson	Mark 2: 1-5	
Reflecting on the Belize Mission	Ray Howell, Lee Mabe, and Belize Youth	
Litany of Commissioning		
Minister: We have gathered to commission these young people and their leaders as they embark on a mission trip to Belize.		
People: We send them forth with our love, prayers, and blessings.		
Minister: Three churches in two countries are working together on one mission.		
People: We thank God for the unity we find in diversity. We are one in Christ.		
Minister: We believe that God is calling you to this Belize mission. Will you be faithful to represent your family, your church, and your God by giving “All for Jesus?”		
Mission Team: We will.		
Minister: Will you, church family, pray daily for our mission team?		
People: We will.		
Minister: We send you from this sacred place to the world’s sacred places. Go with our love, support, and prayers. Go with our blessings.		
People: Go to love one another as Christ has loved you.		
Prayer of Commissioning	Rev. Tommy Wilson	
Hymn (See Insert)	“Here I Am, Lord”	SCHUTTE
Choral Benediction	“May the Grace of Christ Our Savior”	arr. Paul Freeman
Postlude	“Kyrie”	F. Couperin

Today’s Lay Reader is Deb Watson

Christian Sympathy

Heartfelt Christian sympathy is extended to Carol Jean Stutts-Wall in the passing of her mother, Lillie Stutts on June 29.

Musicians for Today's Service

Beverly Khemlani, Organist

Sanctuary Choir directed by Dolly Skinner

Budget Update

Received last week: \$13,648.00

Year-to-date deficit as of May 31: \$40,357.61

FBC-Friends

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This Week at First Baptist

Every Sunday at 9 a.m.

Prayer Ministry in the Conference Room

Every Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Coffee and fellowship on the Second Floor

Book Bags

We will be collecting book bags and school supplies this summer for deserving children in Lexington and Davidson County.

July Worship Services

July 15 Tommy Wilson

July 22 Ray Nance Howell IV

July 29 Young People Away Service of Blessing

July 8th **Bed Babies**-M/M Richard Baxley; **2-4 Year Olds**-M/M Cory Kehl

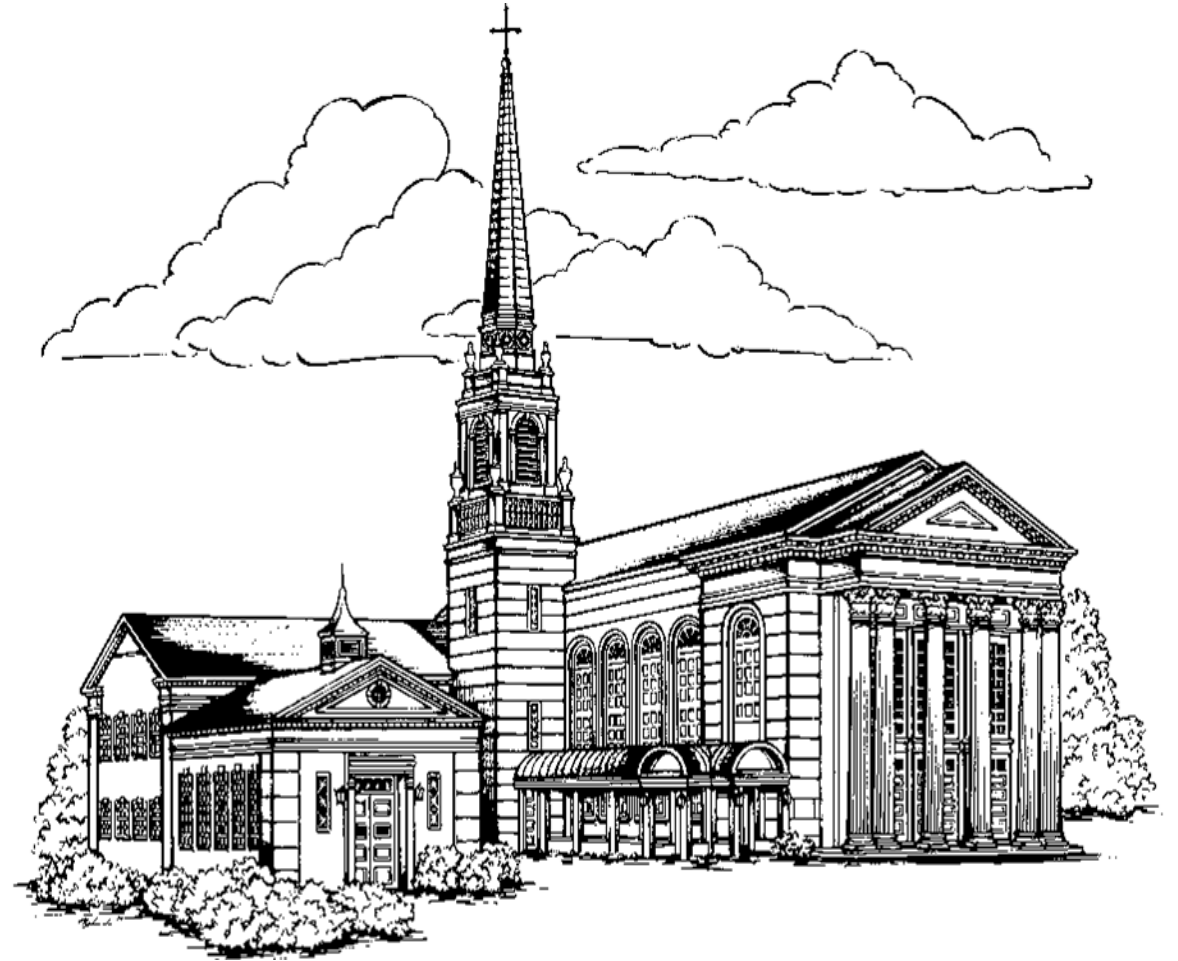
July 15th **Bed Babies**-M/M Don Watson; **2-4 Year Olds**-M/M Bryan Lingerfelt

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