# The Worship of God

October 28, 2018 Reformation Sunday

## The Gathering

The call to Christian discipleship is never easy. Christ calls us to deny ourselves, take up our crosses, and follow him. As we worship on this Reformation Sunday, we are called to renew our commitment and refresh our faith. God, who is rich in mercy, makes us alive when we are dead, and gives us new life out of His great love. O come, let us worship God!

**Prelude** "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" Johan Pachelbel

Choral Introit"O Come Let Us Worship and Bow Down"arr. FreemanOpening of the BibleSamuel Wood

Call to Worship Ava Leigh Fulbright

Leader: Shake up the morning!

People: For God has given us a new covenant: knowledge carried in our hearts.

Leader: Shake up the world.

People: For God has given us a gift beyond price: justification through Christ

Jesus.

Leader: Shake up the church!

People: For God has given us freedom: a permanent place in God's family.

Leader: We place our faith and trust in God who is our refuge and strength.

People: A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing!

**Hymn No. 43** "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" EN FESTE BURG

Lighting of the Christ Candle

The Children's Time

**Christian Greetings** 

Old Testament Lesson Ecclesiastes 1: 1-18

**Hymn No. 651** "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee" MARYTON

**Morning Prayer** 

Gospel Lesson Luke 12: 13-21

Anthem "A Mighty Fortress in Our God" Young

**Sermon** "The Sun Comes Up, The Sun Goes Down,

and the World Goes Round and Round" Dr. Ray N. Howell III

**Hymn No. 634** "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" CWM Rhondda

Offertory Prayer Lane Gilliam

The Offertory "Ayre" Arcangelo Corelli

The Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

**Choral Benediction** "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee" Gladden/Smith

Postlude "Trumpet Tune" Johann Fischer

Today's Lay Reader is Vinnon Williams

Musicians for Today's Service

Beverly Khemlani, Organist Sanctuary Choir

**Budget Update** 

Received last week: \$5,916.47

Year-to-date surplus as of September 30<sup>th</sup> \$20,525.29

# **Christian Sympathy**

Heartfelt Christian sympathy is extended to Avon Mize and his family in the death of his brother, Henry David Mize, on October 10<sup>th</sup>. We also extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family of Lois Perryman who passed away on October 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## All Saints Sunday, November 4th

Next Sunday, All Saints Sunday, we will remember our church members who died in the past year as we light a candle in their memory. We also invite those of you who have lost an immediate member of your family to participate. If you would like to remember your loved one as a part of our service next Sunday, please contact Ray or the church office by Wednesday of this week.

## This Week at First Baptist

Every Sunday at 9 a.m.
Every Sunday at 9:30 a.m.
Sunday at 4 p.m.
Today at 7 p.m.
Monday at 7 p.m.
Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.

Prayer Ministry in the Conference Room
Coffee and fellowship on the Second Floor
Youth meet at FBC for Block Party
Deacons Meeting in the Parlor
Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
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## **Block Party This Afternoon**

All of the downtown churches are sponsoring a Block Party and a Trunk or Treat this afternoon from 5-6 p.m. on West Third Avenue between Lanier's and First Presbyterian. The Trunk or Treat is in the parking lot behind First Methodist. There will be games, food, music, and great fun.

#### **SHOE BOXES**

Shoeboxes are ready to be filled for Operation Christmas Child. Our deadline is November 14<sup>th</sup>. We will be collecting the shoeboxes in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Barbara Epley for more details.

#### **PASTOR'S PANTRY**

Pastor's Pantry has asked us to provide 500 cans of yams for their annual Thanksgiving Food Baskets. There is a container designated for Pastor's Pantry in the elevator lobby. Please consider picking up a few cans next time you shop. The deadline is November 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### **ADVENT POINSETTIAS**

The deadline for purchasing poinsettias to decorate the sanctuary during Advent is November 15<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$35.00 each. Call the church office if interested.

#### **MISSION GIFTS**

Thank you to the Rochella Baker and the Crusader Sunday School Classes for providing our Wednesday night meals the past two weeks. We received \$1,135 for Disaster Relief for the flood victims and \$216 for Cecilia Beck, CBF Missionary.

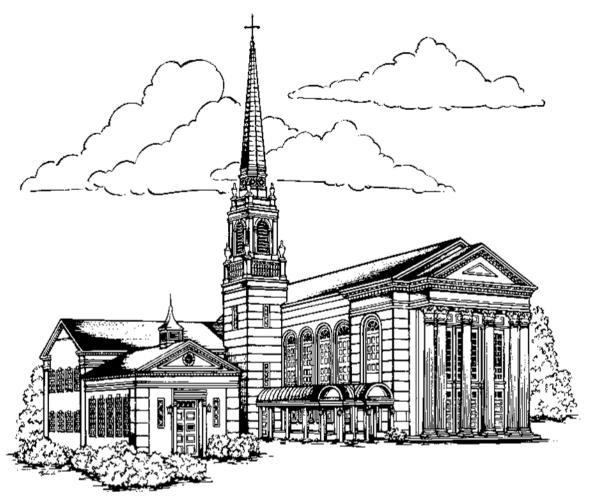
October 28<sup>th</sup> Bed Babies- M/M Richard Baxley; 2-4 Year Olds- M/M Zak Young

November 4<sup>th</sup> **Bed Babies-** Donna Routh/Wendy Walker; **2-4 Year Olds-** Wendy Skotthy/Alyson Honeycutt/Grace Upton



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