The Worship of God

July 28, 2019
The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

The Gathering
Baptism is an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace. It is an individual act of faith connecting the life-giving waters of God with the presence of the gathered faith community. It is a holy collision of water, the spirit, and the word. Be prepared—we journey to the waters of baptism today!

Prelude
"Amazing Grace" Janet Linker

Choral Introit
"O Love That Will Not Let Me Go" ST. MARGARET
Opening of the Bible Elaine Allen

Call to Worship
Leader: Come, you who are thirsty for love and grace.
People: The water of life is God’s gracious gift.
Leader: Come, you who are thirsty for justice and peace.
People: The water of life is God’s gracious gift.
Leader: Shall we gather at the river?
People: The beautiful, beautiful river.
Leader: Gather with the Saints at the river.
People: That flows by the throne of God.

Hymn No. 687
"Shall We Gather at the River?" HANSON PLACE

Lighting the Christ Candle

The Children’s Time

Christian Greetings

Old Testament Lesson
Genesis 2: 10-14

Hymn No. 594
"Like a River Glorious" WYE VALLEY

Offertory Prayer
Josh Boyle

The Offertory
"On Jordan’s Stormy Banks" Don Phillips

Doxology
OLD HUNDREDTH

New Testament Lessons
Mark 1: 9-11 & Romans 6: 1-5

Sermon
Dr. Ray Howell III

Anthem
"Down to the Water to Pray" Chopin

Invitation to the Water

Hymn No. 674
"On Jordan’s Stormy Banks I Stand" PROMISED LAND

The Celebration of Christian Baptism

Hymn No. 758
"Baptized in Water" BUNESSAN

Congregational Benediction
To the Tune of Amazing Grace
Through Christ you are a child of God,
who dearly loves us all.
Go forth in peace to share God’s love;
Rise up to heed Christ’s call.

Postlude
"Voluntary" J. Fischer

Today’s Lay Reader is William Fulbright

Music for Today’s Service
Beverly Khemlani, Organist
Sanctuary Choir

Budget Update
Received Last Week: $7,214.92
Weekly Amount Needed: $15,108.25
YTD Deficit as of Last Week: $24,416.08
This Week at First Baptist

Today at 9 a.m.  Prayer Ministry in the Conference Room
Today at 9:30 a.m.  Coffee and fellowship on the Second Floor
Wednesday at 6:45 p.m.  Sanctuary Choir in Music Suite

Fellowship Hall

The Fellowship Hall is closed until August 11th for its annual floor polishing. Please avoid using the Hall during the closing.

FBC Friends

FBC Friends is a weekly email that previews the Sunday morning service. If you are not receiving this email, please share your email address with us. For those who do not use emails, we will share the FBC Friends message on the Information Line. Dial (336)245-1261and press 2.

School Supplies for Foster Children

We are collecting school supplies for the Davidson County Foster Children. General school supplies are needed as well as book bags. You can place the school supplies in the designated container at the downstairs fellowship hall entrance.

FBC Night at the WS Dash — August 2nd

We hope you will join us this Friday, August 2nd, for baseball at the Winston-Salem Dash. We have a great deal on tickets, $10 for admission and food. It is First Baptist night at the Dash and it will be great time of fun and fellowship. Contact Ray or the church office for tickets no later than Wednesday.

Baptist Children’s (Mills) Home Fundraiser

Baptist Children’s (Mills) Home will hold its annual Hope In Style Fundraiser on August 17th at 9 a.m. at the Greensboro Country Club. Tickets are $35; includes a brunch, fashion show sponsored by Belk and modeled by residents of Mills Home and a silent auction. Tanya Rivera of WFMY News 2 is the special host emcee. See Linda Engstrom or Debbie Auman for tickets. More info at www.Hopeinstyle.org

July 28th  Bed Babies- Katie Hartley/Kelly Wright
        2-4 Year Olds- Sandra Blackwelder/Crystal Alexander

August 4th  Bed Babies- Crystal Alexander
        2-4 Year Olds- Donna Sink/Ben Bishop

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