

The Worship of God

November 5, 2023

All Saints Sunday

The Gathering

*“In our death, a resurrection; at the last a victory,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.*

Natalie Sleeth

Prelude

“For All the Saints”

Jason Payne

Choral introit

Opening of the Bible
Foster

Lincoln

Call to Worship

Minister: Today we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.

People: They have finished the course and kept the faith.

Minister: If we live, we live for the Lord.

People: If we die, we die for the Lord.

Minister: So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord.

People: For all the saints who from their labors rest,

Minister: Who thee by faith before the world confessed.

People: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Hymn No. 751

Lighting the Christ Candle

“For All the Saints”

SINE NOMINE

The Children’s Time

Christian Greetings

Scripture Lesson

Hebrews 12: 1-2

Hymn No. 675

“Jerusalem, My Happy Home”

LAND OF REST

Offertory Prayer

The Offertory

“For All the Saints Medley”

Ruth Schram

Doxology

THE SERVICE OF MEMORY AND HOPE

Meditation

Scripture Reading

Psalm 23

We Remember: Gini Phillips Rogers, Tony Townsend, Frances Hoover, Nancy Blackburn, Eula Marks, Chris Rhodes

Hymn No. 678

“In the Bulb There Is A Flower”

PROMISE

We Remember: Richard Baxley, Harvey Fulbright, Michael Simpson Mitcham, Wyatt Helsabeck, Evelyn Bingham, Estelle McKinney, Margaret Leonard

Hymn No. 365

“Abide With Me”

EVENTIDE

Gospel Reading

John 14: 1-6, 27

Morning Prayer

Solo

“The Lord’s Prayer”

Malotte

We Remember: Kay Smith, Adel Bunce Johnson, Christopher “Chris” VanDarren Davis, Jack Lanny Greene, Scottie Scott, Edna Boyd Scott

Hymn No. 362

“Morning Has Broken”

BUNESSAN

We Remember: Grady M. McCoy, Kaye Snyder, Kenneth Walters, Kim Fazio, Betty Colescott Turner, Joseph Lafayette Pitt, and other family members

Hymn No. 687

“Shall We Gather at the River?”

HANSON PLACE

Choral Benediction

Postlude

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent”

Ralph Williams

Our Organist is Marty Stanbery

Will Tate is our Soloist

The Sanctuary Choir is under the direction of Wes Richardson

Candles of Hope

Light is a symbol of life and life everlasting. This morning we will read the names of our church family and loved ones of our church members who have died in the past year. During the musical selection that follows, family members are invited to come to the front and light a candle of hope. If you have a loved one not listed, you will have the opportunity

to light a candle as we sing "Shall We Gather at the River?" Following the service, family of our church members who have died are invited to take one of the roses from the floral arrangement in memory of your loved one.

FBC & MBCC Celebration is Today!

Bring an overflowing basket of good food as we will gather outside by the children's playground. The fun begins at 3 p.m. with games and activities for the children. At 4 p.m. we will enjoy an old-fashioned "dinner on the grounds." We will have tables and some chairs, but bring a lawn chair if you can. At 5 p.m. we will hear the powerful sounds of the "Gate City Jazz Band." Don't miss this joyful and festive celebration!

2024 Proposed Budget Presentation and Discussion

This Wednesday, November 8 at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

Christmas Angels & Shoeboxes

You can make a difference in the life of a child by adopting a Christmas Angel from the Salvation Army and sending a Shoebox through Operation Christmas Child. The angels are available today. Please note that November 19 is the deadline to return Shoeboxes.

24 Hour Day of Prayer

As we start to think about the season of Thanksgiving and Christmas in our church life, may we prepare our hearts with prayer. November 18th has been designated as a day of prayer for our church. The sign-up poster is in the sanctuary entrance with instructions and prayer guides available.

Cranberry Sauce for Pastor's Pantry

Pastor's Pantry will be providing a Thanksgiving meal for their clients. We are providing cranberry sauce for the meal. Our goal is 450 cans! The deadline is November 15. A bin is located in the elevator lobby to receive your donations.

Poinsettias for Advent

If you would like to order a Poinsettia in memory or honor of someone for Advent, please call the church office or email Sherri at sherri@fbclex.org by November 20th. The vendor is only able to reserve 20 Poinsettias for us, the price is \$20 each.

Sunday School Attendance

October 29 97
October 22 90

Extended Session

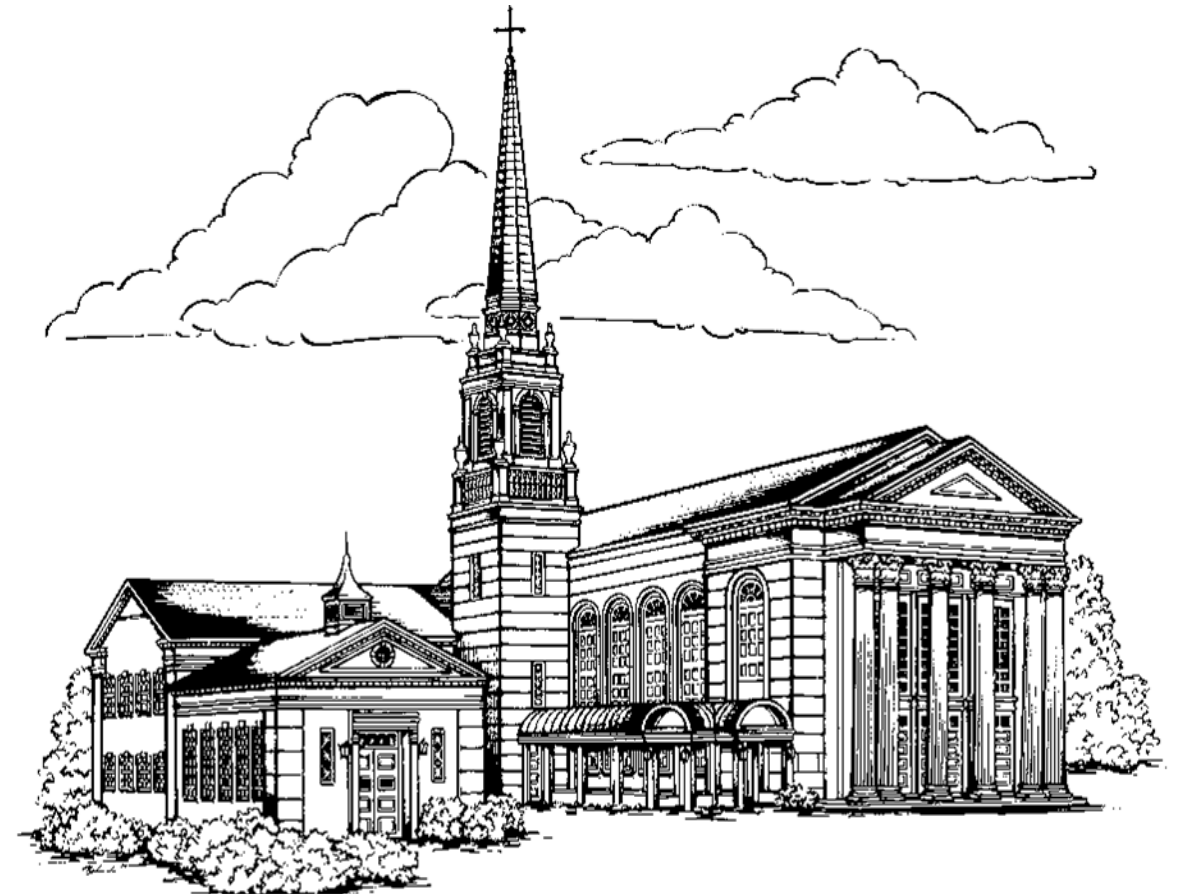
Today Brenda & Nathan Houser
November 12 Luann & Randy Everhardt

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