

# For the Worship of Almighty God

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 16, 2018

THE SERVICE IS BROADCAST LIVE OVER WMVA 1450 AM

## WITH HEARTS AND VOICES

Welcome Bill Sapp

Prelude *Prelude in C Minor* Binder  
Baxter Jennings, organist

\*Call to Worship Bill Sapp

Leader: God, we come to listen to your voice,

People: We incline our ears to your message.

Leader: God, we come to learn to tame our tongues,

People: We wait in holy silence for your still, small voice.

Leader: God, we come to grow in wisdom,

People: We enter to learn to think, speak, and act carefully in your love.

\*Invocation & Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn 745 *Jesus Shall Reign* DUKE STREET

Call to Prayer *Open Our Eyes, Lord* Robert Cull

Morning Prayer Rev. Libby Grammer

## WITH OPEN HANDS

\*Hymn 779 *Great God, Your Love Has Called Us* ST. PETERSBURG

Prayer of Dedication David Lewis

Offertory *I Will Lift Up My Eyes To the Hills* Binder

Gathering of Tithes and Offerings

\*Doxology, Hymn 809 OLD HUNDREDTH

## WITH TEACHABLE MINDS

Anthem *Jubilate* Pedigo/Minter

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 50: 4-9a pg.631 in pew Bible  
The Word of the Lord; Thanks be to God.

New Testament Lesson James 3: 1-12 pg. 1055  
The Word of the Lord; Thanks be to God.

Sermon *A Blessing...and a Curse* Rev. Grammer

## WITH OBEDIENT FEET

\*Hymn 574 *Lord, Speak to Me* CANONBURY

\*Benediction Rev. Grammer

\*Benediction Response *Amen* Fort

Postlude *Lord of All* Binder

\*Please stand as you are able

*This is the season after Pentecost in the Christian year. Having celebrated the "birthday of the church" through the giving of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost, we enter the season after Pentecost for 24 weeks to celebrate*

*the existence of the church and recall her mission in the world. The liturgical color for the season is green, symbolic of the church's growth and mission.*

## PRAYER REMINDER

**CHURCH FAMILY:** John Abbott, Alice Bowman, Mildred England, Jean and Boyd Gray, Betty Jennings, George Lester, Betty Minter, Amber Nowlin, Betty Prillaman, Jimmie Sexton, Benny Shires, Gayle Williams

**CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO:** The family of Lottie Estes who passed away Friday, September 7<sup>th</sup> and whose funeral was held yesterday at Norris Funeral Home.

**FAMILY AND FRIENDS:** Rev. David Atkins, Jennifer Bradshaw & Zora Robertson; Judy Szulecki's friends; Connie Shires Brewer, Benny Shires' niece; Jane Chittum, David Canupp, Bob and Nancy Canupp's son; Kent Cox, Jay Frith's friend; Lucy Lester Falk, Sue Lester's daughter; Virginia Finley, friend of Catherine Shires; Jeff Gray, Jean and Boyd Gray's son; Donna Gregory, Helen Dandridge's friend; Margie Hall, Debbie Hall's mother; Buck Hanks, Cody Hanks & Kathy May, Faye Hanks' family; Katherine Heldreth, friend of Ruth Dandridge; Janet Holt, FBC visitor; Carolyn and David Jackson, friends of Brenda Hundley; Helen Johnston, Dean Johnston's mother; Lois Keay, Jeanne Pedigo's sister; Missy Lannom, Linda Gale's friend; Fred Martin, Yvonne Turner's brother; Jeanette Martin, Judy Epperly's mother; Jim Marks, Betty Minter's son-in-law; Doug and Carolyn Martin, friends of Nita Gauldin; Linda McMillan, Crystal Darden's aunt; Jimmy Minter, Betty Minter's son; Jenny Mills, Alice Bowman's daughter; Bitsy Morgan, John Fulcher's sister; Randolph Prillaman, Dottie Lewis' friend; Mandy Reeves, Shirley Reeves' granddaughter; Barbara Regen, Judy Epperly's friend; Jean Roberts, Dottie Lewis' neighbor; Dotty Robertson, Pat and Ron Austin's friend; Paul Rood, Cliff Rood's brother; Eunice and Ronald Ross, Ann Draper and Ruth Dandridge's cousin; Ed Shires, Catherine Shires' son; Nancy Shively, Renee Fulcher's mother; Mark Szulecki, Judy Szulecki's brother; Nancy Turner, Linda Read's cousin's wife; Michael Turlington, Judy Epperly's cousin; David Turner, Marilyn and Jim Turner's son; Harry Wade & Elaine Wade, friends of the Simpsons; Kimberly Haynes Wilkins, Joan and Steve Haynes' daughter.

**MISSIONARY PRAYER:** Lesley-Ann Hix Tommey, New York City, New York. Leslie- Ann is ministry facilitator for Rauschenbusch Metro Ministries in New York City, which seeks to encourage the social, educational, spiritual, and economic growth of the “Hell’s Kitchen” community.

**MILITARY:** FC Colt Gerrard; MAJ Will Krebs; SGT Jay Souther; MAJ Justin Thomas; MAJ Petra Thomas; SGT Edward Baptist; WO1 Jason Myers; SSGT Nick Gordon; SSGT Thomas D. Pedigo; PVT John Pedigo III (JJ); LT Josh Jordan; LT Mary Carter Jordan; CPT Spencer Jordan; SFC Eddie L. Taylor; 2LT Jakob Lejman; 2LT Griffin Shaw

### Opportunities for the Week

#### Sunday, September 16

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship  
12:00 p.m. Hot Dog Social in Fellowship Hall

#### Monday, September 17

5:30 p.m. Pastor Installation committee  
7:00 p.m. Smith River Singers Rehearsal

#### Tuesday, September 18

5:15 p.m. Business & Finance  
5:30 p.m. Buildings & Grounds

#### Wednesday, September 19

11:00 a.m. Trustee meeting  
5:30 p.m. Church Family Night Dinner  
6:05 p.m. Prayer and Program  
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, September 20

10:00 a.m. Bible Study-John

**OFFERING 9/9/2018: \$ 3445.75**

**IN APPRECIATION: GENERAL FUND:** A gift has been given in memory of Betty Brown, Elise Minter, and Judy Minter by Howard and Elaine Fringer. A gift has been given in memory of Elise Minter by Martha and Tom Crawley. A gift has been given in memory of Judy Minter, Elise Minter, Tami Stone, and Betty Brown by Jim and Nancy Barnett. A gift has been given in memory of Betty Brown and Lottie Estes by Lee and George Lester. A gift has been given in memory of Mary Bull and Elsie Minter by Joretta Draper. **GRACE NETWORK:** A gift has been given in memory of Judy Minter, David Hudson, and Elaine Joyce by Jeanne Pedigo. A gift has been given in memory of Ann Harrell, David Hudson, Betty Brown, Elise Minter, Lottie Estes,

Judy Minter, Tami Stone, and Milford Weaver by Earl and Irene Simpson.

**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS:** 16 John Buck, 19 James Fetter, 20 Catherine Shires, Alice Ann Blevins, Frank Taylor, 21 Mary Taylor, 23 Margie Shytle, Charles Miers, 24 Debby Simpson, Mark Miller, 25 Martha Medley, 27 Melva Stultz, 29 Judy Epperly, 30 Mary Lewis Johnston

**Church Family Night-Wednesdays @ FBC:** The program will be *Dreaming for the Future* and the menu is beef tips & rice, turnip greens, salad bar, roll, peach cobbler. Please call the church office by 4:00 p.m. on Monday if you need a reservation.

Today, after morning worship, the Deacons will sponsor a Hot Dog Lunch Social to raise money for the Mission Opportunity fund. Please join us for lunch.

#### **Alma Hunt 2018 Offering for State Missions**

First Baptist Goal is \$1,200      Received to date: \$ 483.00  
The Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions is our annual offering that is used in supporting mission activities across our state. We are collecting the offering through the month of September. This offering allows Virginia Baptist to do cooperative ministries together. Please support this offering with your generous gifts. An envelope for this State Missions Offering is included in your box of envelopes or you may find extra envelopes on the welcome table in the narthex.

**XYZ Outing** will be to Mabry Mill, meeting at the church at 10:00 a.m. This event is Tuesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>.

**September 30, 2018 will be Gideon Sunday. Our Gideon speaker will be Jerry Perdue. This will be your once a year chance to donate to the Gideons worldwide Bible distribution. Please write your checks to “Gideons International.” Thank you.**

Grace Network Food Assignment  
July-September  
Juice (40-60 oz.)  
Please leave food in Room 101  
Always needed: Hygiene products

# First Baptist Church



Photo by Rev. John Fulcher

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**Mission Statement:**  
The congregation of First Baptist Church, led by the Holy Spirit, covenants to worship Almighty God and to be disciples of Jesus Christ. Consistent with the Great Commission, we will share our spiritual gifts beyond our doors with enthusiasm, generosity, and grace.