



First Baptist Church

GREENWOOD

September 15, 2024



*For God so loved
the world that he
gave his one and
only Son....*

JOHN 3:16, NIV

Welcome to First Baptist Church!

We are a warm fellowship of Christian believers.

We trust you will be blessed by your visit today. Here you can find wonderful opportunities for worship, fellowship, and Christian growth.

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The Worship of God
September 15, 2024
Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Morning Worship at Eleven O' Clock

Meditation: "What does love look like? It has the hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men. That is what love looks like." -Augustine

Prelude

Sonata No. 8

Will Thomas Cleveland, organ; Cody Beard, trumpet
Music by Girolamo Fantini

Lighting of the Gospel Candles

Evelyn English

Chiming of the Trinity

Call to Worship

"Make Me A Servant"

Chancel Choir

Words and Music by Kelly Willard, Tune: SERVANT
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Make me a servant, humble and meek; Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.
And may the prayer of my heart always be: make me a servant, make me a servant,
Make me a servant today.

*Hymn of Celebration 477 "We Are Called to Be God's People" AUSTRIAN HYMN

*Invocation and Welcome

Anna Burch

Scripture Thoughts for Children (Age 3K-5th grade)

Keith Jameson

(After Scripture Thoughts, children ages 3K through K5 will meet a Children's Church worker at the back of the Sanctuary to go to Children's Church.)

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 89:1-8

Cali Weaver

(Pew Bible, OT, page 508)

Reader: The Word of God for the people of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

*Offertory Hymn 653

“Lord, You Give the Great Commission”

BEECHER

Verses 1 and 2: Congregation

Verse 3: Chancel Choir

Verses 4 and 5: Congregation

Offertory Prayer

Trey Jenkins

Offertory Meditation

“Sång till Lotta”

Andy Westbrook, euphonium; Stephanie Turner, piano

Music by Jan Sandström

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*Doxology

OLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God, above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayers of the People

David Jennings

When the leader says: Lord, in Your mercy
The congregation responds: Hear our prayer.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

New Testament Reading: Acts 1:1-11

John Uldrick

(Pew Bible, NT, page 102)

Reader: The Word of God for the people of God.
Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

“Send Us, Lord, to Every Nation”

Chancel Choir

Cody Beard, trumpet descant

Words and Music by Joseph M. Martin

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Send us, Lord, to every nation, let us fill the earth with praise.
Reaching out to all creation with Your healing touch of grace.
Let us take our alleluias far beyond these sacred walls.
May this be our declaration: Christ is Lord! Christ is Lord! Christ is Lord of all!

Send us, Lord, to help our neighbor; form in us a servant’s heart.
For Your Kingdom, let us labor, let a strong commitment start.
Let us live our love for others. Let us lift all those who fall.
Standing firm, we shall not waver. Christ is Lord! Christ is Lord! Christ is Lord of all!

Give us Lord, Your great commission,
Send us out by Your might!
Grant us strength and braver vision.
Grant us courage! Grant us wisdom! Send forth Your light!

Send us, Lord, with great jubilation, joyful in the faith we claim.
Going forth with glad adoration, changing lives in Jesus’ name.
Till the day You come in glory, we will heed Your parting call.
We will share this wondrous story: Christ is Lord! Christ is Lord! Christ is Lord of all!

Sermon

“To All the World: To the Ends of the Earth”

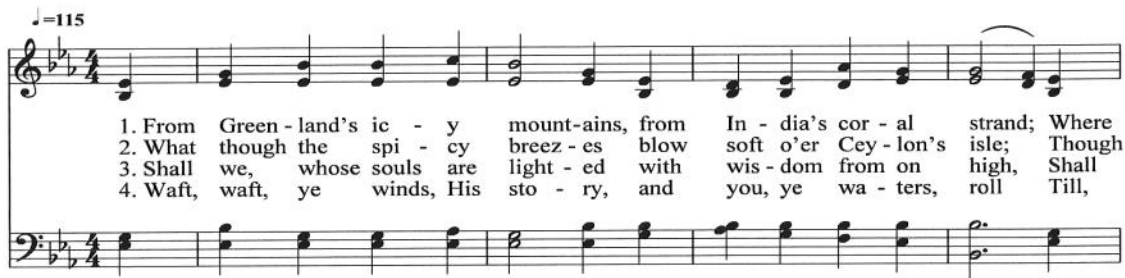
John Uldrick

From Greenland's Icy Mountains

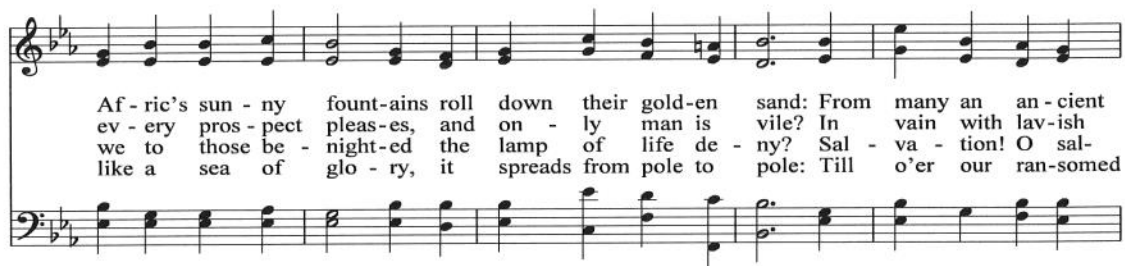
Reginald Heber, 1819

Lowell Mason, 1823

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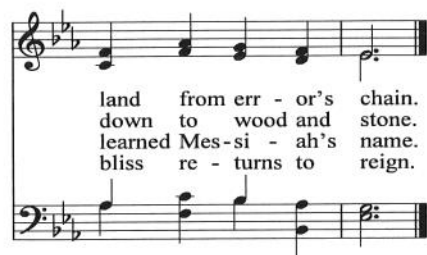
1. From Green - land's ic - y mount - ains, from In - dia's cor - al strand; Where
2. What though the spi - cy breez - es blow soft o'er Cey - lon's isle; Though
3. Shall we, whose souls are light - ed with wis - dom from on high, Shall
4. Waft, waft, ye winds, His sto - ry, and you, ye wa - ters, roll Till,



Af - ric's sun - ny fount - ains roll down their gold - en sand: From many an an - cient
ev - ery pros - pect pleas - es, and on - ly man is vile? In vain with lav - ish
we to those be - night - ed the lamp of life de - ny? Sal - va - tion! O sal -
like a sea of glo - ry, it spreads from pole to pole: Till o'er our ran -omed



ri - ver, from many a palm - y plain, They call us to de - liv - er their
kind - ness the gifts of God are strown; The heath - en in his blind - ness bows
- va - tion! The joy - ful sound pro - claim, Till earth's re - mot - est na - tion has
na - ture the Lamb for sin - ners slain, Re - deem - er, king, cre - at - or, in



land from err - or's chain.
down to wood and stone.
learned Mes - si - ah's name.
bliss re - turns to reign.

*Benediction

John Uldrick

Congregational Response: And also with you.

Choral Response

“We Serve the Prince of Peace”

Chancel Choir

Words by Terry W. York, Music by C. David Bolin, Tune: KUNMING LAKE

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“Lend, expecting nothing back.” “Share your wealth so none will lack.”

“Do as you’d have done to you.” We serve the Prince of Peace.

These, the words the Master spoke; the Prince of Peace.

Jesus said, “You are the light, place your lamp upon the height.”

We’re to shine so all will see. We serve the Prince of Peace.

These, the words the Master spoke; the Prince of Peace.

Postlude

Toccata in F Major, BuxWV 157

Will Cleveland

Music by Dietrich Buxtehude

**Those who are able, please stand.*

The Sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Bill Hancock Jr. by his sister, Anne Hancock.

OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, September 15

- 8:45 am Property Committee Meeting
- 10:00 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship
- 3:00 pm Nominations and Lay Leadership Committee
- 4:50 pm *Voices of Grace* Youth Choir
- 6:00 pm Diaconate Meeting

Tuesday, September 17

- 1:30 pm *Sounds of Grace*

Wednesday, September 18

Noon **Deadline September 18 meal reservations**

- 4:30 pm Stewardship Committee
- 5:30 pm Bright Beginnings Preschool Music Activities, Music Makers Children's Choir, Young Musicians Children's Choir
- 5:30 pm Family Night Meal
Adult and children's menu: hot dogs, chips, baked beans, slaw, tossed salad, brownies, ice cream
- 6:30 pm Childcare, CIAs (children), Holy Ground (youth)
Building Blocks (adults), Chancel Choir

Sunday, September 22

- 9:00 am Youth Committee
Children's Committee
- 10:00 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship
- 1:40 pm Children's families meet to attend *Winnie the Pooh*
- 4:50 pm *Voices of Grace* Youth Choir

Tuesday, September 24

- 1:30 pm *Sounds of Grace*

CHURCH NEWS

FBC International Love Feast following Worship, Sunday, October 6

World Communion Day is a time to remember our unity in Christ no matter where we live and worship. In order to continue sharing our sense of connectedness and hospitality, everyone is invited to the FBC International Love Feast following the worship service on October 6. Please bring a favorite dish from around the world (remember, the United States is part of the world, too). Leave the covered dish in the Fellowship Hall before 11:00 am. Traditional family recipes, exotic foreign dishes, salads, rolls, and desserts are all welcomed. Each dish left in the Fellowship Hall should be **labeled**, describing its ingredients (to help those with allergies such as gluten and nuts) and naming which culture from which it comes. Please prepare enough of each dish to serve 10-12 people.

Never Grow Old (NGO) Fellowship

“Getting to Know Our New Pastor” is the October 1 program for NGO. The NGO Fellowship will learn more about John Uldrick than they ever needed to know as he answers some thought-provoking questions that have been submitted to him. The program begins at 11:45 am, followed by a catered lunch by Lee's Barbecue. The meal, selected by the pastor, will be barbecue sandwiches, baked beans, cole slaw, and cookies. The cost is \$10.00. **If you are not an NGO member, please make your reservation by calling the church office by Wednesday, September 25.** Please come and bring a guest with you as John informally shares part of his unique life story. You do not have to be a senior to come fellowship. As a reminder, put Tuesday, November 5, on your NGO calendar for an election day musical patriotic salute. Details to follow.

No Fifth Sunday Joint Sunday School

The Ministerial Staff has decided to discontinue Fifth Sunday Joint Sunday School gatherings. Adult Sunday School classes are responsible for recruiting teachers for their classes on those Sundays.

Empty Bowls

16th Annual *Empty Bowls* Fundraiser is Wednesday, October 16 (take out) and Thursday, October 17, 2024 (dine-in), with all proceeds benefiting the Soup Kitchen of Greenwood. This casual event is held at the Soup Kitchen and dinner consists of soup, bread, dessert, and a drink. Soup is served in a beautiful hand-crafted bowl. Guests take the bowl home as a constant reminder of the need to help fill the “Empty Bowls” in the community. Event tickets are \$25.00 for adults and \$15.00 for children 12 and under. Tickets will be available to the general public beginning September 3, 2024. To purchase tickets please contact Whitney Nicholson (864-554-4340) Norm Fawcett (864-227-3421).

Heritage Room News

Did you know that First Baptist Church was founded in September 1870? Did you know that the existing sanctuary was completed in 1972? During the month of September, a portion of a stained glass window from the earlier church will be on display in the Narthex. This item is one of many interesting historical pieces on display in the Heritage Room, located across the hall from the Mauldin Class. The room is open during church office hours. The members of the Heritage Room Committee encourage you to browse through this treasured collection of artifacts. You may pick up a free copy of *First Baptist Church Greenwood*, a history of our church written by Ann Herd Bowen, as well as a frameable print of the early church. Please contact a member of the Heritage Committee if you would like to arrange a personal tour.

Skoob Invites Toddlers - 5th Graders to 5th Sunday Library Activity on September 29

The next Fifth Sunday Library Activity is Sunday, September 29. After the children's choirs sing, children are invited to meet volunteers in the narthex to be escorted to a special program in the church library. For Fifth Sunday Library Activity, children may wear play clothes as some of the activities may be a craft, nature walk, or being active. After worship, parents are asked to pick up their children in the fellowship hall. Children from toddlers to 5th grade are invited. Extended Session will continue to be offered for nursery and toddlers on fifth Sundays. Toddler parents have the option to send their children to the toddler room or to the 5th Sunday activity. Children who usually attend Children's Church will participate in the 5th Sunday activity in lieu of being in the Backyard. If you have any questions, contact Kelly Rhodes (kelly_rhodes@hotmail.com) or Shelby Reed (cofccougar_1999@yahoo.com).

Children's Volunteers Needed

The following openings remain in the Children's Ministry: Children's Church—adult: first Sundays in August, October, December, February, April, and June; 3K/4K Sunday School teachers—2nd Sundays. Please contact Anna Burch (aeburchfbc@gmail.com) if you are interested in filling them.

Sunday Night Live (SNL) Host Needed

Lauren Coker and the youth still need a host for the October 6 SNL. Please email Lauren (laurencoker@gmail.com) if you can host that evening.

Ministry Plan Update (as of September 8)

2024 Year-to-Date Required:	\$684,283.32
2024 Year-to-Date Received:	\$561,174.63
2024 Deficit:	\$123,108.69

The Nominations and Lay Leadership Committee Is Looking for You!

Each January, a third of the members of each of the thirteen church committees rotate off (after serving a three-year term). One of the tasks assigned to the Nominations and Lay Leadership Committee is to secure new members for committees. Individuals interested in serving on a committee are asked to sign up by filing out a form in the church office or on the church website Engage page (fbcgwd.org/engage/). **The deadline to sign up for a committee is Sunday, September 29.**

FBC Standing Committees

The following is a list and description of the First Baptist Church standing committees for which the Nominations and Lay Leadership Committee are seeking to fill.

Children's Committee: plans activities and events for children and their families

Church Visitation Committee: maintains contact with members on the Caring for Friends list

Congregational Life Committee: provides meals or refreshments for special events

Heritage Committee: maintains the Betty (Beeka) Wise Coleman Heritage Room and adds historically significant items as appropriate

Missions Committee: plans Operation Inasmuch and maintains contact with FBC mission partners

Outreach and Membership: contacts visitors and plans visitor/new member breakfast and luncheon each year

Personnel Committee: addresses matters related to church ministerial and support staff

Property Committee: oversees and maintains the building and grounds

Spiritual Formation Committee: plans events related to the spiritual formation and growth of church members

Stewardship Committee: oversees the church's finances

Worship Committee: maintains the chancel, assists in baptisms and seasonal decorations

Youth Committee: plans activities and events for youth and their families



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Address _____

Phone _____

Email Address _____

Please check any that apply to you.

- I am new to the area
- I am a friend or family of a member at FBC
- I am looking for a church home.
- I am interested in learning more about FBC
- I am on vacation or traveling.