

*First
Baptist
Church*

June 3, 2018

*Abide in Me, and I in you.
As the branch cannot bear
fruit of itself, unless it abides
in the vine, so neither can
you, unless you abide in Me.*

John 15:4



The Body of Christ Gathers in Worship & Praise
Sunday, June 3, 2018

10:55: *Please take time to greet one another,
warmly welcoming visitors in the name of Christ.*

Jesus Christ, the true vine, in our need we come to You,
in weakness, needing Your strength,
for we too easily become dry and lifeless
without Your life-giving spirit.

Jesus Christ, the true vine, teach us to remain in You
and so find Your life flowing in us,
giving strength and vigor to our discipleship.

Welcome

Rev. Kevin Wilson

Procession of Graduates

Invocation

Rev. Kevin Wilson

Call to Worship

Psalm 139

Chancel Choir
Setting by Allen Pote

Lord, you have searched me and known me.
You know everything I do.
When I rise up, when I lie down,
You are with me through and through.
Before a word is on my tongue, you know what I will say,
Your presence follows me day by day.
Where can I flee from your spirit?
Where can I go to run away?
If I go to heaven, or live in hell, you are there.

Search me, O God, and know me, try me and know my heart.
See if there be any wicked way in me,
And lead me in the way everlasting. Amen.

Hymn 366

O God Beyond All Praising

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Recognition of Graduates

Simon Cawley Harrison Morris Grey Tucker
Elizabeth Marion Corbin Robertson

Litany

Rev. Wilson, Graduates, Congregation

Rev. Wilson: Today we celebrate the accomplishments of Simon, Elizabeth, Harrison, Corbin, and Grey.

Congregation: It is an honor for us to be here celebrating the graduation of these whom we have taught, led, and prayed for.

Graduates: To our church family: we are thankful for your faithfulness. You have been a gift from God to us, and we recognize God's faithfulness to us by the way you have served us.

Congregation: We know that our service to you is not over, but is beginning again. We now commit to pray and support you as you move on to your new roles, and we commit to help you continue to serve God through the church.

Graduates: As we look forward to our new opportunities in life, we look forward to the new opportunities to love and serve God through God's church in this and in other towns.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God for this achievement and for God's faithfulness in carrying us to this point.
Amen.**

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Jay Meadows

Hymn 71

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

Offertory Prayer

Jim McGehee

Offertory

*American Folk Hymn Suite
1. How Firm a Foundation*

Michael Burkhardt

Doxology

Congregation

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free,
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, Amen.

World without end, without end, Amen.
World without end, without end, Amen.
World without end, without end, Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, Amen.

Scripture John 15:1-8 Rev. Meadows
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Anthem *Jesus Christ, the Apple Tree* The Vine
 Mark Patterson

The tree of life my soul hath seen,
 laden with fruit and always green:
The trees of nature fruitless be
 compared with Christ the apple tree.

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive,
 it keeps my dying soul alive:
Which makes my soul in haste to be with Jesus Christ,
 the apple tree.

His beauty doth all things excel:
 by faith I know but ne'er can tell,
The glory which I now can see 'tis found in Christ,
 the apple tree.

For happiness I long have sought,
 and pleasure dearly I have bought:
I missed of all; but now I see 'tis found in Christ,
 the apple tree.

-Based on Song of Solomon 2:3

Sermon *Created to Bear Fruit* Rev. Meadows

Hymn 292 *The Lord of Life, a Vine Is He* CANONBURY
 Please sing to CANONBURY tune.

Benediction Rev. Meadows

Postlude *Rigaudon* Andre Campra

We are delighted that you have chosen to join us in worship today. It is our sincere hope and prayer that you will know the saving presence, power, love and authority of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and that you will leave encouraged and spiritually refreshed.

*******BULLETIN BOARD*******

Summer Bible Study Begins on Wednesday, June 6

Our summer Bible Study will begin on Wednesday, June 6, 12:00pm. The study will take place in the Fireside Room. Afterwards, those who would like can go to one of our local restaurants to enjoy lunch together.

Called Business Meeting: Sunday, June 10, 11:00 AM

◆ To vote on a proposed job description for an Organ Accompanist. Please contact the church office to have a copy of the proposed job description e-mailed to you.

Summer Sampler Sunday School Sampler Class

June 3 – August 26, Fireside Room

Join an inter-generational group for Bible Study and fellowship each Sunday morning during the summer. We will sample a variety of materials presented by a variety of teachers!

Puerto Rico Mission Trip Rescheduled

The bad news is our dates in July are already taken. The good news is that lots of churches are wanting to help! We are trying again to see if we can get a team together to go to Puerto Rico during the week of September 15 -22. We need at least 2 people to cook and do laundry and at least another 6-8 to work on sawing on the ground and rebuilding a roof on a home, men and women! Please let me know by June 10 if you are interested. Cost is still at \$600.00 for the plane flight. We will be staying at a church where the showers and kitchen are located.

My cell phone is 336-468-7141. I would like to have a brief meeting of all that are wanting to go on June 10 after church.

Bob Demcio, N C Baptist Men

Rise For Hunger Meal Packaging Event

Wednesday, June 20

How **YOU** can help feed 10,000 hungry children:

1) Sign up in Sunday School or on the board outside the sanctuary to participate in our Meal Packaging Event on Wednesday, June 20. Children ages 5-11 are encouraged to participate but must work with a parent.

2) Continue to give because IF we go over our goal, we can package more than 10,000 meals!! How great would that be?

Goal: \$2,994.08

Given to date: \$3,359.22

Note: If your children did not bring their coin banks on Wednesday, please bring them to church Sunday.

Vacation Bible School

Sunday, June 24-Thursday, June 28

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend!

◆ Registration on Sunday night at 5:15 in the breezeway, meet in the sanctuary each night at 5:30, for PreK (ages 4 and up) - rising 6th graders, and dinner served each evening

Anyone who would like to volunteer, please contact Jennifer Hiatt (katieandbaby@hotmail.com). Dinner served each night at 5:30 for everyone!

If you can help supply any of these items listed below, it would be greatly appreciated. You may bring them to the church office.

Lemonade Mix ,Cookies, Chips (Nacho & Regular), Mac n' Cheese, Nacho Cheese, Salsa, Taco Seasoning, Hot Dog Buns, Loaf Bread, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Fruit Salad (large cans from Sams), Applesauce (large cans from Sams), Mayo, Mustard, Ketchup, Cups (8oz), and Plates.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given in loving memory of my mother, Arlein Goins by Sarah and Jackie Houston.

Ministry for Sunday: Rev. Jay Meadows; **Scripture:** John 15:1-8 ;
Sunday School Greeters: Jeff Harmon & Joann Sewell ; **Deacon Greeters:** Jimmy & Cindy Jones ; **Babies:** Jarod & Meredith Simons ; **Toddlers:** Andrea Taylor & Meredith Taylor ; **Preschoolers:** Andrew & Alisha Brown ; **Kid's Korner:** Kyle & Mary Alice Leonard ;
Children's Sermon : None ; **Sound:** Benny & Gina Brannock, Ben Cooke

The Week Ahead

SUNDAY, June 3 Graduate Sunday

9:00am Prayer Time-Prayer Room
9:15am Coffee Fellowship-Fireside Room
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am **The Church at Worship & Praise
5:30pm Youth Supper
6:00pm Youth Group Family Time

TUESDAY, June 5

7:00am Baptist Men's Breakfast- Olympia

WEDNESDAY, June 6

12:00pm Bible Study-Fireside Room
6:30pm Passport Meeting-Fellowship Hall
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, June 7

5:30pm Feeding Friends Meal
7:00pm *Boy Scouts—Scout Hut

SUNDAY, June 10

9:00am Prayer Time-Prayer Room
9:15am Coffee Fellowship-Fireside Room
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am **The Church at Worship & Praise
12:00pm Mary Rowe WMU
4:00pm Diaconate Meeting
5:30pm Youth Supper
6:00pm Youth Group Family Time

*Community Ministry **Hearing Assists / Valet Parking available upon request. Wheelchair spaces are available in the sanctuary for the convenience of those who need to stay in their chairs.

Church Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 8:00am—4pm

Friday: 8:00-12:00

Staff Meeting Tuesday 9:30-10:30

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