

The Worship of God

May 11, 2008

Eleven o'clock in the morning

Mothers Day

Pentecost

THE GATHERING

Within these hallowed walls children have been dedicated, baptized, and have grown to maturity. Here countless weddings have been celebrated and the pain of grief has been comforted. Here in the family of faith, hungry hearts have been fed, reconciliation has been experienced, new hope has been discovered, and commitments of faith have been shared. So come as you are. This is God's house and you are welcome here.

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* arr. Newell

CHORAL INTROIT *Near to the Heart of God* Patterson
Opening of the Bible Emerson Williams

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: We gather as members of the family of God,
People: Who long to be happy in the Lord and with one another.
Minister: We gather as members of the family of the earth,
People: Who long to make peace with the Lord and with one another.
All: Bring us together in your family, O Lord, that we might find happiness and peace in ours.

† HYMN NO. 34 *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart* MARION

THE DEDICATION OF BROOKE ELIZABETH LAMBETH THE DEDICATION OF JAMES CRAVER BROWN

PRESENTATION OF THE CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES

LITANY OF DEDICATION

Minister: In presenting your child to the Lord do you promise in dependence on God's grace and with the help of the church to teach Jake and Brooke the gifts and claims of the Christian faith, and by prayer, word, and example, to bring Jake and Brooke up in the family of faith?
Parents: We do.
Minister: Members of the family of faith, I commend to you Courtney and Kevin Brown and their son, Jake and Kelly and Dale Lambeth and their daughter,

Brooke. Your love, care and example are as necessary to this covenant as their faithfulness in keeping their promise. Will you do all in your power to be a spiritual example for them and will you pray for them, asking God to bless them with love and grace?

People: We will.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

† HYMN NO. 470 *Jesus Loves Me* JESUS LOVES ME

CHRISTIAN GREETINGS

SCRIPTURE LESSONS Ephesians 5: 21 - 33; Matthew 12: 46 - 50

† HYMN NO. 389 *Happy the Home When God Is There* ST. AGNES

MORNING PRAYER

ANTHEM *Hush, Somebody's Calling My Name* Dennard

SERMON *Families Really Do Matter* Dr. Ray Howell III

† HYMN NO. 695 *In Christ There Is No East or West* McKEE

† OFFERTORY PRAYER Will Fullbright

THE OFFERTORY *Jesus, Our Divine Companion* arr. Hebble

† DOXOLOGY 809 OLD HUNDREDTH

RECEIVING OF NEW MEMBERS

CHORAL BENEDICTION *An Old English Prayer* Gossler

POSTLUDE *Kyrie* F. Couperin

†Those who are able please stand

Today's Lay Reader is Jane Earl Hall

Musicians for today's service

Beverly Khemlani - organist Ralph Ashley - soloist Sanctuary Choir

*Last Sunday we welcomed Tori Houser into the fellowship of First Baptist Church.
Tori comes to us on a profession of faith and promise of baptism.*

Announcements

Sunday, 5/11

9:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Prayer Ministry (All Are Welcome to Attend) Conference Room

6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Handbell Choir Music Suite

Wednesday, 5/14

5:10 p.m. *Dinner - Children (Final Family Night) (reservations required) Fellowship Hall

5:30 p.m. *Dinner - Adults (Final Family Night) (reservations required) Fellowship Hall

6:30 p.m. Children's Music Program Fellowship Hall

7:20 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting Conference Room

7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Music Suite

Baccalaureate Sunday

June 1, 2008

High School Senior Recognition Day will be held Sunday, June 1. Please notify the church by Sunday, May 18 of family members who will graduate this spring from high school or college. High School graduates are asked to bring a photo to the office by May 18.

Vacation Bible School

July 13 - 17

Son World Adventure Park VBS

Our co-directors for this year's VBS are Kerry Shea Penland, Kristin Wall, and Michelle Walser. If you are willing to participate as a teacher or volunteer please let one of them or Tommy know.

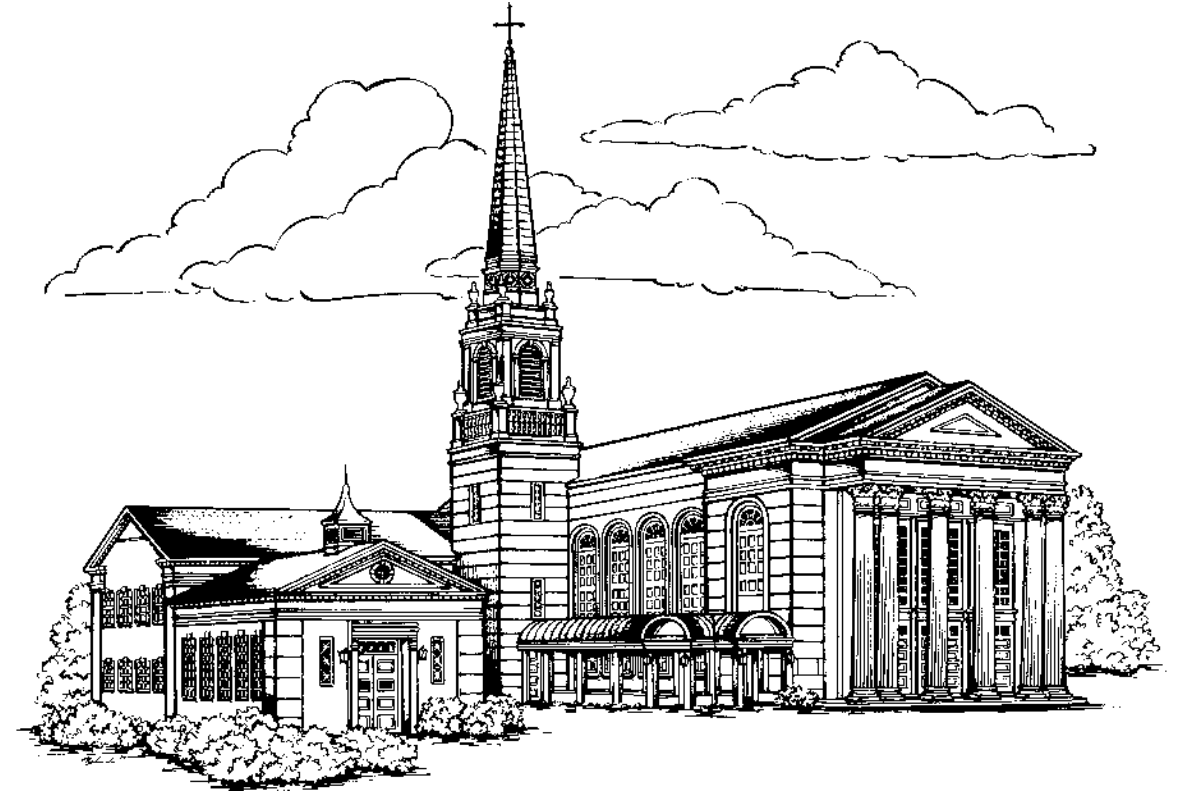
*Menu: Hamburger Bar, Baked Beans, French Fries, Salad Bar, Ice Cream

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