

WELCOME TO FIRST BAPTIST

We are so glad you decided to worship with us today. Please take a moment to fill out the Visitor's Card in the pew rack in front of you. You can place these in the offering plate during the offertory. Consider lingering after worship so that our members might have a chance to greet you. Our Interim Pastor and deacons will be in the Welcome Center after worship and would love to meet you.

CHILDREN AND WORSHIP

The presence of children in worship is a gift to the Church. They are valuable members of our faith family, and we welcome them into this house of worship. Our nursery is open during worship for infants and toddlers. The nursery is located out the doors to the left of the pulpit and down the hall to the north. Our nursery workers will be happy to assist you. Extended Care is for children ages 3-4 and for 5-year-olds who have not entered kindergarten. These children will sit as a group with our Extended Care leaders on the first pew in the right (south) section. All children through 5th grade are invited to the front of the Sanctuary to participate in our Children's Sermon. Our preschoolers will leave for Extended Care after this.

A WORD ABOUT FBC

First Baptist Memphis is a Midtown congregation that seeks to follow Christ by practicing hospitality, community, dialogue, and service.

- We value diversity in our membership and believe it enriches our journey and ministry.
- We strive to be a family of faith where all can belong.
- We value the voice of every child of God, and strive to hear the voice of God in one another.
- What we do inside our walls prepares us to share God's love across the street and around the world.

The Radio Bible Class (10:30 am) and this service (11 am) are broadcast live on radio stations ESPN 680 AM, and ESPN 92.9 FM. Sermons are available online at www.fbcmemphis.org

Announcements

VBS: July 13, 10 am-3 pm

Saddle up, because VBS is just around the bend! Register your cowgirls and cowboys on our website: www.fbcmemphis.org/vbs.

Senior Adult Lunch Outing, July 9

"All Aboard!" Come go with us for lunch on Tuesday, July 9, at Collierville's Silver Caboose! All "passengers" need to gather there by 11 am. For a ride, contact Carolyn Bynum, 704-807-1397 or Carol Richardson, 901-496-0581.

Fall Foliage Trip, Oct. 21-24

We're invited to travel with our friends from Advent in October to Pigeon Forge and Gatlinburg. We'll stay three nights, with a different show and dinner included each night, plus sightseeing and shopping. Rates are per person: \$760 for a single room, \$550 for double, \$480 for triple, \$440 for quad. A \$50 deposit required with final payment due August 1. A complete itinerary is in the church office.. To book contact Mrs. Dale Parker at 901-753-5085.

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This Week at First Baptist

Sunday, July 7

9:00 a.m. First Cup Gathering
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
S. Africa Mission Trip

Monday, July 8

7:30 a.m. FBDS Summer Program
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Tuesday, July 9

7:30 a.m. FBDS Summer Program

Wednesday, July 10

7:30 a.m. FBDS Summer Program
5:00 p.m. Fellowship Supper,
Caritas
6:00 p.m. Youth Friends-Day Event
Together Deadline

Thursday, July 11

7:30 a.m. FBDS Summer Program
10:30 a.m. Adult Game Day, Parlor

Friday, July 12

7:30 a.m. FBDS Summer Program

Volunteers

Extended Care

Next Sunday, July 14

Threes/Fours: Jenny Pendley,
Craig Locke
Floater: Tiffany Wright

Welcome Desk at Worship

July 7 Tom & Renee
Marchand

Receptionists (8:30 am - 12:30 pm)

Mon, July 8: Trudy Hatton
Tues, July 9: Betty Wilson
Wed, July 10: Valerie Brenner
Thurs, July 11: Bill Wilson

FBC in Prayer

Current Concerns

Nancy Burch
Brant Butler
Vinson Cobb
Ann George
Maggie Jordan
Anson Purdy
Jean Rose Raney



Westminster Abbey

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

July 7, 2019

The medieval cathedral represents a breakthrough in gothic architecture: the arches allowed for more height and more light to enter the space through the stained glass windows.

The sanctuary, flooded with light, suggests both the splendor and the intimacy of God's presence.



Rev. Randy Hyde, D.Min.
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Rev. Dennis McDuffie
Music Ministry Interim

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Interim Children & Youth
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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

PREPARATION

Welcome Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde

One: The Lord be with you!

Many: And also with you!

The prelude provides an opportunity to prepare our hearts and minds to worship God by being still and quiet.

Prelude *Theme from Symphony No. 1* Johannes Brahms
Ray Hatton *pianist*

ADORATION

Call to Worship Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde

One: Sometimes God finds faith in us.

Many: Sometimes God sees only desperation and dejection.

One: Regardless, Jesus provides healing, and calls us to believe in faith.

All: In our worship today and always, may Christ the Healer make us whole!

Invocation Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde

* Hymn of Praise 173 *Christ Is Alive* TRURO
(Stanzas 1-4)

* Call to Confession Robin Miller

One: Jesus said: Nothing is hidden that will not be disclosed, nor is anything secret that will not come to light.

* Prayer of Confession

All: Holy God, we confess that we do not live for your glory. We follow the crowds around you but fail to live in light of your good news. We weep at the power of death and laugh at your promise of new life. God of grace, please forgive us. Heal us of our doubt, but especially of our despair, and give us the gift of true faith by which you make us whole.

* Assurance of Pardon

One: There is no chasm too wide, no sin too large, no division too deep that God cannot reach out and embrace us in eternal love. As beloved children of God, let us have the faith to know

we are never alone. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel of Christ.

Many: In Jesus, we are forgiven!

* Congregational Response 173 *Christ Is Alive* TRURO

Christ is alive! And comes to bring Good news to this and every age, Till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

(As we sing, the children are invited to the front for the Children's Sermon.)

PROCLAMATION

Children's Sermon Rev. Dr. Courtney Pace

New Testament Reading *Galatians 6:1-11* Warren Jordan, Jr.
(page 1011 in the pew Bible)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Solo *Write on My Heart, Oh God* Ray Hatton
Trudy Hatton, *soloist*

* Prayer of Preparation Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde and Congregation
Almighty God, to You all hearts are open, all desires known, and from You no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You, and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Message Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde
Large Letters

RESPONSE

* Hymn of Prayer 613 *The Servant Song* BEACH SPRING

Offertory Prayer Craig Locke

Offertory *Holy Spirit, Faithful Guide* Robert J. Hughes
Aaron Foster, *organist*

* Congregational Response 253 *Doxology* OLD 100TH
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

COMMUNION

Today we celebrate communion by intinction. When we do this the body of the church acts together, moving as a community toward the table. When you approach the table take a piece of bread, dip it in the cup, and eat it. Communion servers may offer words of affirmation such as "The bread of life given for you" or "The cup of salvation." When receiving the elements you may remain silent or offer "Amen" or "Thanks be to God." The bread is gluten free. A deacon will bring communion to those who cannot come forward.

Prayers of the People Cathy Wilhelm

The Lord's 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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to Discipleship Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde

* Hymn of Response 402 *The Church of Christ, in Every Age* GERMANY

* Benediction Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde

* Postlude *How Firm a Foundation* arr. Albin C. Whitworth
Aaron Foster, *organist*

An offering will be received at the doors for our Benevolence Fund.

The flowers are given by Linda Marks in loving memory of her mother, Frances Marks, on her birthday.

Today's guest pianist in Ray Hatton, a member of the Sanctuary Choir and the First Friends SS class. Today's worship participants are Robin Miller, a member of the Sanctuary Choir; Courtney Pace, a member of the Connect 4 SS class; Warren Jordan, Jr., a Senior Adult SS teacher; Craig Locke, a member of the Day School committee and a Connect 4 SS class; Cathy Wilhelm, a member of the Sanctuary Choir and a Senior Adult SS teacher.

Today's offering bearers are assisted by Robinson Townsend.

THE CHRISTIAN YEAR

We find ourselves in the season of the Christian Year known as Ordinary Time. This season of the Christian Year is marked with the color green because it is set aside as a season of growth and transformation. Our ministers' stoles and the plant and runner on the altar table represent life and growth while the Christ Candle and Bible remind us of the central role the light of Christ and the Word of God in Scripture play in our transformation during these "Great Green Growing Days."