

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

PREPARATION

Welcome Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde

The rose on the altar today celebrates the birth of Jonah James on November 10, son of Brooke and Cherish Mathis.

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

Prelude *Day by Day* Oscar Ahnfelt
David Córdoba Hernandez, *pianist*

ADORATION

Call to Worship Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde

God has given us this beautiful earth, all that grows, all that lives upon it.
Thanks be to God.

God has given us breath to live and spirit to sing. Thanks be to God.

God has gathered us into a community of care and worship.

Let us worship God with love, thanksgiving, and praise.

Invocation Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde

Hymn of Praise Mark Hayes & Douglas Wagner
Morning Has Broken
Aaron Foster, *organist*

Call to Confession Marc Pendley
This is the covenant which I will make with the house of Israel,
says the Lord:

I will put my law within them, and I will write it upon their hearts;
and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

I will forgive their evil deeds, and I will remember their sin no more.

In penitence and faith, let us confess our sins together.

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, you have given us so much—all that we need,
your hand has provided.

You have blessed us with skills and talents, intending that we use them
for the sake of others, to your glory.

But we have failed to give as we ought, and have guarded for ourselves

that which you have called us to share with others.

Forgive our selfish ways, and by your good Spirit enable us gladly to
serve you by serving others; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Assurance of Pardon Marc Pendley

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

PROCLAMATION

Children's Sermon Holly Hatton

Gospel Reading
Matthew 25:14-30

Special Music *Our Best* arr. Raymond D. Hattton
Trudy Hatton, *soloist*

Prayer of Preparation Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde
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
Many Things

RESPONSE

Reminder of Giving Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde

Meditation Music *Softly and Tenderly* Will L. Thompson
David Córdoba Hernandez, *pianist*

Response *Doxology* OLD 100TH
Aaron Foster, *organist*

*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.*

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.

A Word of Encouragement Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde
(If you are called to make a Decision of Faith or have questions about church
membership, please speak with Rev. Hyde following worship.)

Benediction Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde

Postlude *The Church's One Foundation* arr. Todd Kendall
Aaron Foster, *organist*

Per the Shelby County Health directive, masks must be worn over the mouth and nose at all times in the building. Please do not linger to chat, but exit the building at the conclusion of worship. Thank you.

Today's worship participants are Marc Pendley, a deacon and member of the Sanctuary Choir; Trudy Hatton, a member of the Sanctuary Choir and the Youth committee; and Cathy Wilhelm, a deacon and Senior Adult SS teacher.

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 runner on the altar table represent life and growth while the candles 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."

Announcements

a different way to be Baptist

* The congregation will please stand, as you are able.

Amplifying devices are available at the Welcome Center desk.

Temple Under the Trees, Sundays, 3-4 pm

Our children, ages 3-10, will meet for an hour on Sundays from 3-4 pm in an outdoor classroom. Please bring a chair or a blanket to sit on, and space yourselves 6-feet apart. We'll divide into two groups, Preschool through 1st Grade, and 2nd-5th grades. Parent/guardians will need to accompany our 3s, 4s, and 5-year-olds in case they need assistance.

The hour will be divided into two sessions: I will lead a 30 minute Children's Worship session, and a volunteer will lead a 30 minute Kid's Missions session. We will rotate between the two groups. —Holly

Committee Interest

Are you interested in using your gifts on one of the following committees or task forces? A list of each committee/task force is below.

If you are interested in serving on a committee please prayerfully consider in what way you can serve. Please send your interests to Bridget Ellis (bellis@fbcmemphis.org) or contact a member of Committee on Committees (David Richardson, Mary Ann Rogers, Courtney Pace or Shawn Hawkins.)

Committees:

Missions	Finance	Personnel	Children/Preschool
Youth	Day School	Senior Adults	Committee on Committees
Property	Public Relations		

Task Forces:

Churchwide	Flower	Care and Share	Baptism & Lord's
Fellowships	Coordinator		Supper
Weddings	Greeting and Security	Church Archives	Memorial Prayer Garden Board
Broadcast Media and Technology			

Hanging of the Greens, November 22

Our church is so beautiful at Christmas time and, while we may not go "all out" this year, we want to enhance our worship with some of our traditional decorations.

We want you all to have the opportunity to prepare the church for the season in a safe way. Please sign up as an individual or as a family for a time slot on Sunday, Nov. 22 for decorating **AND/OR** Sunday, Jan. 3 for take down using this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A054FA8AE2AA5FD0-fbcchristmas>

You will be working as a family unit or individually, with direction from a few volunteers. Please wear a mask and wash your hands often. Thank you!

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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 (11:00 am) are broadcast live on radio stations ESPN 680 AM, and ESPN 92.9 FM.

The service is also livestreamed on our Facebook page, and is available in recorded form on Facebook and our YouTube channel, as well as the church's website (www.fbcmemphis.org/online-worship).

Sermons and worship services are available online at www.fbcmemphis.org/sermons.

FBC in Prayer

Current Concerns

Ginger Bethany
Valerie Brenner
Chatham Family
Cathy Dickey
Linda Haywood
Ken Miller
Jim Rogers
Kathleen Feaster
Linda Haywood

Congratulations

To Brooke & Cherish Mathis in the birth of their son, Jonah James.

Sympathy

To Shawn Hawkins in the death of her father, Clay Hawkins.



Parable of the Talents, Glen Strock

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[Take account of] the high risk activity of the first two servants. They doubled the money entrusted to them, hardly a possibility without running the risk of losing the original investment . . . The major themes of the Christian faith—caring, giving, witnessing, trusting, loving, hoping—cannot be understood or lived without risk.

—Fred Craddock

