

## THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST TRYON

Sunday, September 2	10:00 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship
Monday, September 3		Office Closed—Labor Day Holiday
Tuesday, September 4	1:00 pm	Staff Meeting

**Acolytes: Harper Harris and Simms Harris.**

**Children's Church Leader: Debbie and Keith Collins.**

**Today is Promotion Sunday.** Children will meet in their regular Sunday School rooms, and then be escorted to the sanctuary at 10:30, where fourth-graders will be given Bibles, and where students will meet their new teachers.

**SEE (Sunday Evening Ekklesia) Kickoff and Kickball.** Our first fall SEE is next Sunday, September 9, at 5pm. There will be adult study in the Activity Building, Children's Choir (grades 1-5) in the church, and Refuge downstairs at the Activity Building. At 6pm we'll all gather for a meal, and then at 6:30 we'll play kickball.

**Wednesday Morning Bible Study resumes at 10am on September 12.** We'll meet in the Activity Building, and have a light lunch afterward. Please bring a dish to share.

**HOOKED! Fishing event, September 16.** We're going to White Oak Mountain from 4-7 pm to fish. We'll supply fishing equipment, instruction, drinks, and a light dinner. This is a great opportunity for fun and friendship.

**Kid's Night Out—September Kid's Night Out is scheduled for Friday, September 21, from 6pm-8:30pm.** Please contact Carol Batts if your children are already registered and plan to attend. This event is for children ages K-5th grade, and gives parents a chance for a 'date night.' Activities include games, snacks, learning, and a pizza supper. If your children are not registered, and wish to come, forms may be found at the church office, and by notifying Carol Batts.

**Firewood Ministry, Saturday, September 29.** We have an opportunity to serve the community by helping to split and stack firewood at Thermal Belt Outreach Ministry's woodlot. Work begins around 9am and we're finished by noon. All volunteers are welcome!

**Outdoor Worship, Sunday, September 30, 10:30am.** Join us for a special time of outdoor worship at the top of White Oak Mountain on Sunday, September 30. We'll worship at 10:30 and have a picnic in the shelter afterward. Bring your favorite picnic item to share! Mike Greene is preparing pulled pork, and smoked chicken and turkey. Beverages will be provided. If you want to use your GPS, the address of the picnic pavilion is 11 Three Bridges Drive (off of Morning Ride Drive).

**Request from O.P. Earle School**—The school is collecting all sizes of plastic lids for an art project. If you have some you can donate, please bring them to Joyce Scoggins.

### August 26, 2018

Weekly Ministry Plan Giving	\$ 4,583
Weekly Ministry Plan Goal	\$ 8,068
YTD Ministry Plan Giving	\$ 246,824
YTD Ministry Plan Goal	\$ 274,974

**Welcome! We are grateful to worship with you today.**

If you are a guest, we hope you will experience God's love through our worship and among our congregation. If this is your first time with us, please complete a welcome card, which can be found in the pew pocket, and place it in the offering plate later in worship. As you exit, we have a small gift to offer you in appreciation of your presence.

**Nursery Care** is provided for children from birth to three years during Worship and Sunday School.

**Children, ages 4-Kindergarten,** may remain in worship or may exit after the Children's Time for a special time of worship and play. Parents may join them, or stay for the remainder of worship.

**Hearing devices are available in the Narthex.**

**Baskets for recycling bulletins are located at the exits.**

### SEPTEMBER MISSION FOCUS

#GraceItForward is a concrete way to share God's love with our community. If you haven't already committed to serve #GraceItForward week (Oct 14-20), we hope you will. There are ways for everyone to serve, so commit and help us share God's grace in Tryon and beyond. Here are some examples of our projects: yard work, small home repair, gift cards for coffee and food, deliver food to hungry families, gifting quarters for laundry, etc.

### OFFERING - SEPTEMBER

Ellis Fincher, Jr., Lead Deacon; Ron Frady,  
Shelvie Foust, Ed Justice, JT Johnson

### GREETERS—SEPTEMBER

Brian and Jennifer Jones—Front  
Lou Rossi—Hall  
Nancy Brady—Side

### DIACONATE

Phil Scoggins, Chair  
Keith Collins, Vice Chair  
Susan Smith, Recorder  
Danny Fox, Phil Feagan, Sadie McKaig  
Don Batts, Phillip Edwards, Beth McCallister

### CHURCH STAFF

The Reverend Dr. Jeff C. Harris, Pastor  
The Reverend Jim Hawkins, Minister of Music  
The Reverend Jaime Fitzgerald, Minister to Youth  
Kay Greene, Pianist  
E. Leslie Raymond, Organist  
John Spinks, Sexton

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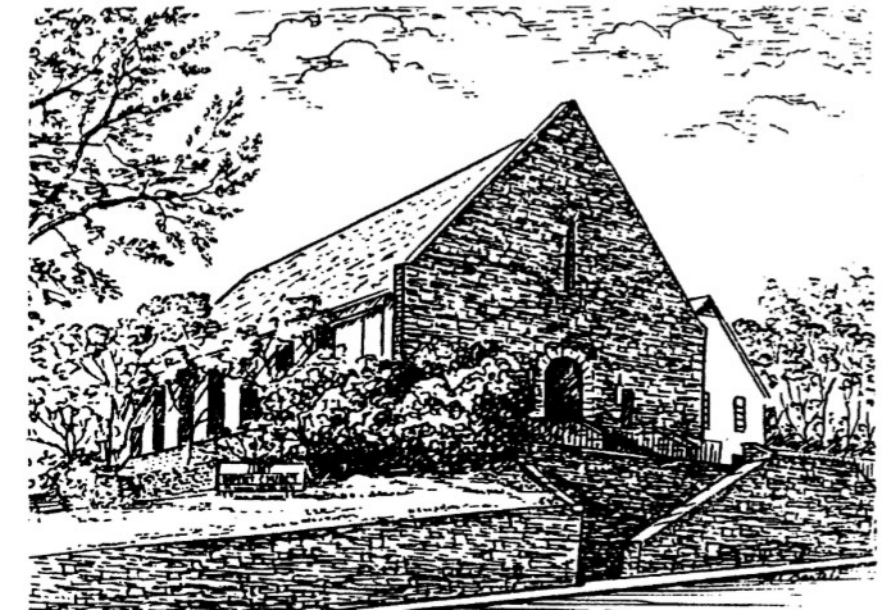
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## First Baptist Church Tryon, NC



September 2, 2018

Eleven O'clock in the Morning

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH AT WORSHIP

## Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 2, 2018

Eleven O'clock

### GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Music for Gathering

Kay Greene

Trinity Chime

John Spinks

Opportunities of the Week

Jaime Fitzgerald

Prelude

*When Morning Gilds the Skies*

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Call to Worship

Jeff Harris

We are here together  
in the name of Christ Jesus,  
**in the Presence of the Holy.**

A person without God is like a feather in a perpetual wind,  
Blown all over the place without any control or choice in  
where to rest.

**O come, let us return to the living God,  
Let us bow before the One who is our Maker.**

†**Hymn 221**      *When Morning Gilds the Skies*      LAUDES DOMINI

†**Invocation**      Amber Fincher-McEntire

†**Passing of the Peace**

Jeff Harris

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

**Children's Time**

“Mr. Skip” Williams

Kindergartners and preschoolers may leave for Children's Church  
after the Children's Time.

### LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

**Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9** (p. 158)

Jim Hawkins

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 15**

Erik Koistinen

O Lord, who may abide in your tent? Who may dwell on your  
holy hill?

**Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right,  
and speak the truth from their heart;**

who do not slander with their tongue, and do no evil to their  
friends, nor take up a reproach against their neighbours;

**in whose eyes the wicked are despised, but who  
honour those who fear the Lord; who stand by their  
oath even to their hurt;**

who do not lend money at interest, and do not take a bribe  
against the innocent.

**Those who do these things shall never be moved.**

**James 1:17-27** (p. 218)

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Jeff Harris

†**Hymn 350**

*The Church's One Foundation*

AURELIA

**Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23** (p. 43)

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Jaime Fitzgerald

**Anthem**

*Wings of the Dawn*

-Spencer

**Sermon**

“Worthless Religion”

Jeff Harris

### RESPONDING IN FAITH

†**Hymn 484**

*Higher Ground*

HIGHER GROUND

Those making decisions of faith, renewals of faith, or desiring to unite with  
our church through membership, may come forward at this time.

†**Offertory Prayer**

Joyce Scoggins

**Offering and Meditation**

-Lopez

*Jesus Loves Me*

†**Doxology 253, Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise him all creatures here below;*

*Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;*

*Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

**Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer**

Jeff Harris

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,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.

†**Benediction**

Jeff Harris

†**Congregational Response**

-Choplin

*May God Grant You Peace*

*May God give you peace through ev'ry trial.*

*May God give you courage for ev'ry mile.*

*May God give you comfort and be your friend,*

*And give you life eternal, life without end.*

**Postlude**

*Since I Have Been Redeemed*

-Smith

†Please stand if you are able.