

October 15, 2017, 10am

The Worship of God

Call to Worship

We all have gifts. We all have something to share.

The world needs what we have to give.

We share what we have. We share who we are.

And in doing so, we share the love of God.

All gifts come from God. Let us be generous with these gifts.

Live generously for the glory of God.

Opening Prayer

We Lift Our Voices

Matthew 25:31-40 (p. 32)

“You Never Know”

We Lift Our Voices

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

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Offertory

Doxology

Opportunities for Service

Benediction



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THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST TRYON

Sunday, October 15	10:00 am	Worship
	5:00 pm	Refuge
Monday, October 16	1:00 pm	Staff Meeting
	6:30 pm	Brotherhood, Calvert's Kitchen
Tuesday, October 17	1:00 pm	Stewardship Meeting
	6:00 pm	Deacons Meeting
Wednesday, October 18	10:00 am	Bible Study
	6:30 pm	Bell Choir rehearsal
	7:30 pm	Chancel Choir rehearsal
Friday, October 20	6:00 pm	Shelby Corn Maze/bonfire at Jaime's for Refuge (\$12)
Saturday, October 21	8:00 am	Neighbor's Heart Free Garage Sale

Acolytes for today's service are Oakley Whiteside and Hattie Jolly Crawford.

The third Sunday of each month we collect an offering for the Food Pantry of Thermal Belt Outreach Ministry. This offering directly helps feed hungry families in Polk County.

If you would like to help the Puerto Rican victims of Hurricane Maria, please designate your offering as "Hurricane Relief." We will send this offering directly to Iglesia Bautista de Metropolis in Carolina, Puerto Rico. This is the church we'll be partnering with on our 2018 mission trip to Puerto Rico.

SEE, October 22, 5pm. Sunday Evening Ekklesia (SEE) offers spiritual formation opportunities for all ages at 5pm on second and fourth Sundays during the school year. The adults will gather in the Activity Building for a study called "Life Happens . . ." Preschoolers will gather for mission activities. Children (grades 1-5) will gather for choir. Youth (grades 6-12) will gather for Refuge.

#GraceItForward Food Collection. We need donations of food items, and prefer that serving portions are for 5 or more. Collection totes for food will be next to the Lair Sunday School room. Needed: Canned green beans, canned sweet potatoes, boxed mac and cheese, canned fruit, pudding cups, and brownie mix. Those items will be sorted, boxed, and delivered on October 21, #GraceItForward day.

"A Neighbor's Heart" Free Garage Sale. During #GraceItForward Mission Day in October, we will be holding a "free" garage sale for low-income folks. We are asking members to gather clothes, shoes, coats, household items, linens, and furniture to donate to this mission outreach. We ask that only good used or new items be donated (if you wouldn't give the item to a family member or friend in need, it is not appropriate for donation to "A Neighbor's Heart.")

Donated items may be brought to the Activity Building at these times:

Wednesday, October 18, from 12noon-5pm

Thursday, October 19 from 10am-3pm and 5pm-7pm

Friday, October 20 from 10am-7pm

Children's Fall Party, October 29, 4pm. Children ages preschool-fifth grade are invited, and encouraged to come in costume. We'll have games, activities, and snacks. We are accepting donations of Halloween candy (no nuts or peanuts, please). Please bring candy donations to the church kitchen.

October 8, 2017				
Weekly Ministry Plan Giving	\$	6,317	Hurricane Maria	\$1,280
Weekly Ministry Plan Goal	\$	6,830	Stillerman Fishing	\$1,000
YTD Ministry Plan Giving	\$	271,175		
YTD Ministry Plan Goal	\$	280,030		

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October 14-28

Live Generously

#GraceItForward is opportunity to live your faith. We want to be generous, loving people but life gets busy. So, here are some ways we can extend the generous grace God with our community.

Saturday, October 14 at 8am, two folks are needed for a home repair project. Contact Dave Graham at 828.429.3822, if you're interested.

Sunday, October 15, we will worship at 10am, and at around 10:30am we will take our worship from the sanctuary to the community in these ways:

- Share communion with our homebound
- Sing and worship with the residents of White Oak Nursing Home
- Take gift baskets to the staff of White Oak, Laurel Hurst, St. Luke's Hospital, Tryon Police, Columbus Police, Polk County Sheriff's Department, Polk County Jail
- Take Bibles to inmates at Polk County Jail
- Share bags of quarters at laundromats in Tryon, Columbus, and Landrum
- Coffee at the Tryon Coffee Coop will be on us
- Generous Tipping, if you eat out today, please be extra kind to the servers, and be generous with your tip
- Pray for our community, nation, and world

Monday, October 16 at 6pm, gifting McDonalds gift cards in Columbus.

Monday, October 16--Saturday October 21, gifting change at the laundromat in Tryon, Columbus, and Landrum.

Saturday, October 21

- Yard Work
- Crafts at the White Oak Nursing Home
- Deliver food to hungry families
- A Neighbor's Heart FREE Garage Sale

Saturday, October 28, two folks are needed for a ramp project. Contact Dave Graham at 828.429.3822, if you're interested.

We Lift Our Voices

We Are an Offering

F C F C
 We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our

F C 3 Dm7 F
 lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our

C F C
 voices; Lord, use our hands; Lord, use our

F C 3 Dm7 F G7
 lives; they are yours: we are an offering.

Em7 Asus A Dm7 F G Esus E Am
 All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we

F C Bb Dm F
 give to you, we give to you. We lift our

C F C F C
 voices; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you:

3 Dm7 3 C
 we are an offering; we are an offering.

This praise and worship song can best be understood as reflecting on and expanding 1 Chronicles 29:14b: "For all things come of you, [O Lord,] and of your own have we given you." There are also echoes of Paul's appeal for Christians to be living sacrifices (Romans 12:1).