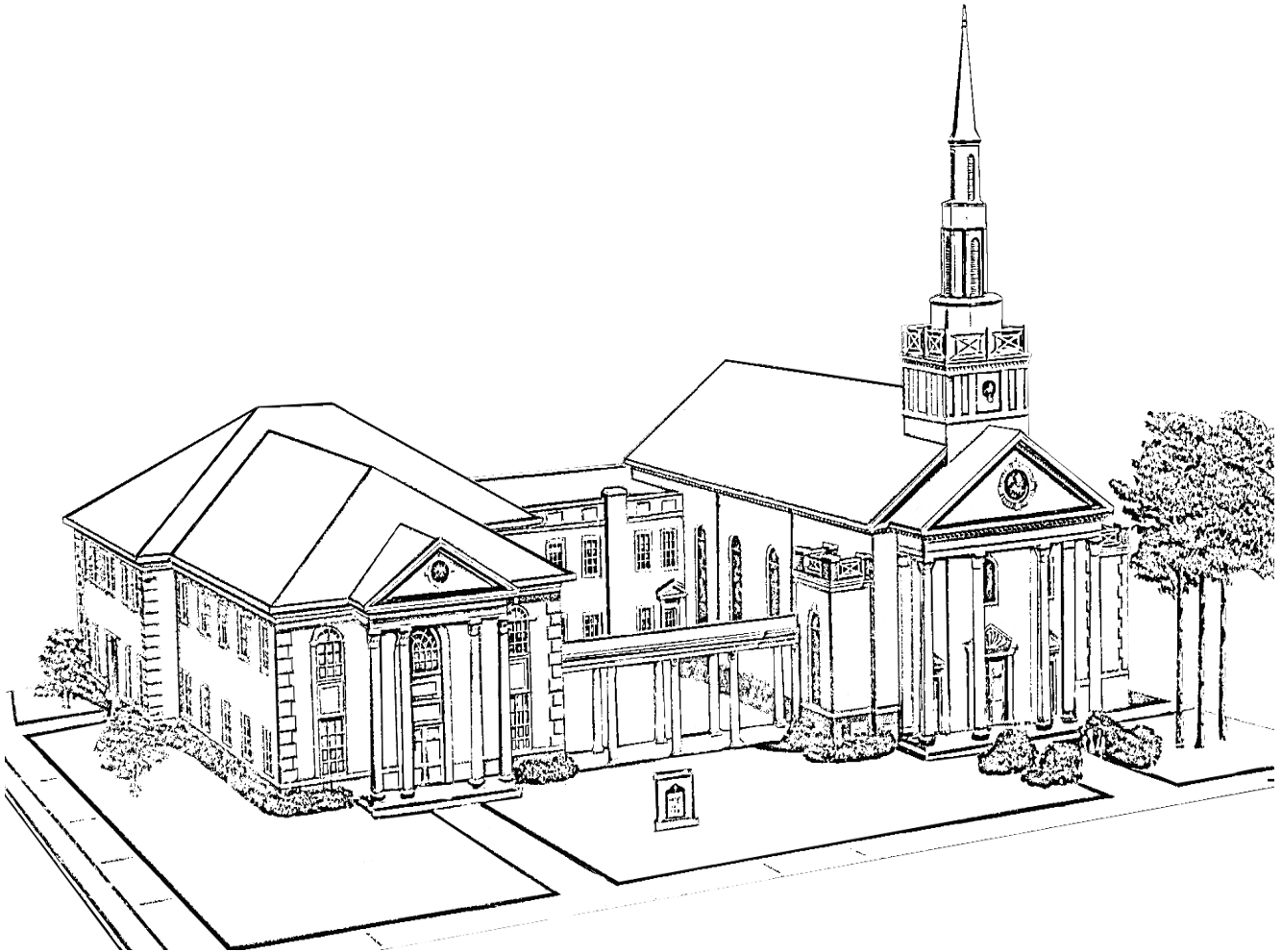


*First Baptist Church*  
*180th Anniversary*



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*Whiteville, North Carolina*  
*August 17, 2014*

# THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

August 17, 2014

**Morning Worship**

**Ten Fifty Five A.M.**

\* Please stand as you are able.

**Greeting**

Rev. Eddie Fort

**Meditation**

Psalm 118:19-24

Open to me the gates of righteousness,  
that I may enter through them  
and give thanks to the LORD.

This is the gate of the LORD;  
the righteous shall enter through it.

I thank you that you have answered me  
and have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the LORD'S doing;  
it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the LORD has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**Prelude**

*Built On a Rock*

Mrs. Leslie Bergbower  
arr. Edward Broughton

**Call to Worship**

*Open Now the Gates of Beauty*

The Chancel Choir  
arr. K. Lee Scott

**Invocation**

Rev. Dan Deaton

\* **Hymn of Praise, No. 44**

DIX

*For the Beauty of the Earth*  
(stanzas 1-4 and 6)

Children are invited to come forward for the Children's Sermon on the last stanza  
of this hymn. Children first grade and younger who wish may attend Children's Worship.

**Children's Sermon**

Mr. Melvin Ezzell

**Hymn No. 74**

*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*  
(Stanzas 1-3 and 5)

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Well written documented minutes of the October 1834 Cape Fear Baptist Association Fall Meeting report that Whiteville Baptist Church was constituted on the third Sabbath in August 1834. The third Sabbath on the 1834 calendar is August 17. At this same meeting Whiteville Baptist Church was accepted as a member of the Cape Fear Baptist Association.

Today, August 17, 2014, First Baptist Church Whiteville celebrates its 180th Anniversary. Over these 180 years First Baptist Church has been a vibrant church promoting the gospel, witnessing to God's love and mercy, and serving mankind around the world. We praise God for His guidance, power, mercy and love over the past 180 years. We trust His love, promises, and witness for the next 180 years.

To God be the glory and may each of us commit our lives, service, prayers, and love to Him, His Holy word, and our fellowman.

Amen and Amen.

## **WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES AT A GLANCE**

### **Sunday, August 17**

- 9:45 a.m.** Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m.** Chancel Choir Warm-up
- 10:55 a.m.** Morning Worship  
Children's Worship

### **Monday, August 18**

- 9:00 a.m.** Staff Meeting
- 1:00 p.m.** Finance Meeting

### **Tuesday, August 19**

- 7:00 p.m.** Deacons meeting

### **Wednesday, August 20**

- 6:30 p.m.** Prayer Meeting  
Guest speaker, Lisa Clark from Lower  
Cape Fear Hospice

The Reverend Daniel Marion Deaton, Jr., is the Director of Missions for the Little River Baptist Association, where he has served since 1996. The association consists of 51 churches and over 18,000 members. Prior to accepting this position, he pastored churches in Bunnlevel, Tabor City, Charlotte, Beaufort, and Whiteville, all in NC.

Dan Deaton received his Bachelor's and Master's of Divinity degrees from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is a graduate of Command and General Staff College, US Army; a graduate of the School of Pastoral Care Residential Program, Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem, NC; and also earned a BA degree in history from Campbell University.

Rev. Deaton has served the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina in many capacities. For two 4-year terms, he was a trustee of Meredith College. He was on the General Board, as a member of the Executive Committee for four years. He currently serves as a consultant in Deacon Leadership and Conflict Mediator Training for the BSC. He is also the Team leader for the Baptist Men's work in Armenia. Presently, he is on the Board of Ministers at Campbell University, as well as, on the Advisory Committee of Campbell Divinity School. Deaton is the founding President of the CareNet Counseling Center a satellite of Wake Forest Baptist Health.

Deaton was the Command Chaplain for the U.S. Army Civil Affairs and Psychological Operations at Fort Bragg, NC, from 1989-1993. Following this assignment, he became the Deputy Chaplain for the United States Special Operation Command, US Army, Fort Bragg, NC. He retired in 1994.

Rev. Deaton's first official church position was here at First Baptist Church Whiteville in 1967.

Dan has been married to Sandra Kidd Deaton for 50 years (they met while attending Campbell U.), and is the father of three adult children and 5 grandchildren.

## Responsive Reading

Congregation

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the name of the Lord!

People: Praise the Lord! Give thanks to him!

Leader: God has blessed us and brought us to this time.

People: God has blessed us and brought us to this place.

Leader: God has caused his name to dwell in our midst.

People: God has stirred our hearts and made us glad.

Leader: God has shown us his glory in his mighty word.

People: God has shown us the way of truth and life.

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the name of the Lord

People: Praise the Lord! Give thanks to him!

Leader: For one hundred and eighty years, God has nurtured and fed us.

People: For one hundred and eighty years, God has shown us his grace.

Leader: For one hundred and eighty years, God has given himself in Word and Sacrament.

People: For one hundred and eighty years, God has empowered us with his Holy Spirit.

Leader: For one hundred and eighty years, God has made us his witnesses in the world.

People: For one hundred and eighty years, God has placed us in loving fellowship with one another.

Leader: Praise the Lord for one hundred and eighty years! Praise the Lord for many more!

All: Praise the Lord for evermore! Oh, praise the name of the Lord!

### \* Offertory Hymn, No. 350

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*The Church's One Foundation*

### \* Offertory Prayer

Mr. Eric Underwood

Offertory

*Pastorale*

Mrs. Bergbower  
Ovid Young

### \* Offertory Response, No. 253

OLD 100TH (altered)

*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.*

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| * The Gospel Reading          | Luke 18:35-43, 19:1-4  | Rev. Deaton   |
| Worship through Song          | <i>Sing Praise to God, Our Strength of Old</i>                       | The Chancel Choir<br>Franz Joseph Haydn<br>edited St. James Music Press |
| Sermon                        | “As Jesus Passes By”   | Rev. Deaton   |
| * Hymn of Commitment, No. 330 | <i>Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound</i><br>(Stanzas 1, 2, 4 and 5) | NEW BRITAIN   |
| * Benediction                 |  | Rev. Deaton   |
| * Choral Response             | <i>Go Out in Joy</i>   | The Chancel Choir<br>Milburn Price                                      |
| * Postlude                    | <i>The Church’s One Foundation</i>                                   | Mrs. Bergbower<br>arr. Charles Ore                                      |

We welcome Rev. Dan Deaton as our guest minister today. Please see his biographical information on the bulletin insert.

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