First Baptist Church



Growing *Toward* Christ

June 12, 2022

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP **Trinity Sunday** June 12, 2022

Morning Worship

Eleven O'clock

* Please stand as you are able.

Greeting and Invocation

Parent, Child Dedication

Dr. Wayne Brown

Mary Coburn Matthews Shawn and Anne Powell Matthews Millie Matthews, Sister Maternal Grandparents, Coburn and Terri Powell Paternal Grandparents, Jimmy and Robbie Matthews, Rumson, New Jersey

Prelude

Jesus, Lover of My Soul (with Canon in D by Pachelbel)

Congregation

Mrs. Patricia Slomanski

arr. Linda McKechnie

Prayer to the Trinity

Leader:	Almighty God, before you angels sang for joy when you created with your voice the heavens and the earth.			
People:	Hear our voice this day and accept our praise and thanksgiving for the gifts of speech and song, which we on earth share with the heavenly host.			
Leader:	O Jesus Christ, you are the Word made flesh, the firstborn of many children in the family of God who have heard your music in their hearts.			
People:	Open the ears of our hearts this day, that all we say and all we sing may reveal you in us and us in you, whose body and voice we are in this world.			
Leader:	O Holy Spirit, with tongues as of fire you have inspired the speech of song of evangelists, preachers, poets, and musicians.			
People:	Visit us this day to kindle anew the fire of love and the light of under- standing, that your church may live in counterpoint of community.			
Leader:	O Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, you are three persons in one God living in harmony. As your church, our many voices, our many lives become one chorus to praise your holy name.			
People:	Bless our coming together now so that we, in communion with your saints, may hear your voice and sing your words this day and always.			
All:	Amen.			
Hymn of Praise, No. 248 BEECHER				
-	God, Our Father, We Adore Thee			
Offertor	y Hymn To Worship, Work, and Witness (Please see this hymn on page 4)	WEBB		

Offertory Prayer

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Dr. Ron Walters

* Offertory Response, Hymn 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.

We invite children to come forward for the Children's Sermon at the conclusion of the *Doxology*. Afterward, children under the age of seven are welcome to attend Children's Church, or they may return to their seat and worship with the congregation.

Children's Sermon		Mrs. Donna Prince
Pastoral Prayer		Dr. Brown
Worship Through So	Congregation MADILL	
Scripture Reading	Acts 2:40-47	Dr. Brown
Sermon	A Vital Church Grows!	Dr. Brown
* Hymn of Commitment, No. 390 We Are Called to Be God's People		AUSTRIAN HYMN
* Benediction		Dr. Brown

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- * Postlude

Psalm XIX

Mrs. Slomanski Benedetto Marcello arr. Walter Buszen

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The flowers today are given to the glory of God.

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To Worship, Work, and Witness



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This tune in a lower key, No. 391.





Parent, Child Dedication

Minister: Children are an incredible gift from God. To thank God for the gift of life, Hannah and Elkanah took Samuel to the temple to dedicate him to God (1 Samuel 24). Mary and Joseph took Jesus to the temple to thank God for him (Luke 2:22-39).

This morning, Shawn and Anne bring Mary Coburn Matthews to worship. They come to dedicate themselves and their child to God, and to commit themselves to raising her and her sister, Millie, in the way of faith and faithful living. They come to thank God for this precious gift.

Proverbs 22:6 tells us to, "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

In Psalm 139:13-14, we read: "For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvelous are your works, and that my soul knows very well." All of us here today have been fearfully and wonderfully created.

- Minister: We are here today to present Mary Coburn Matthews to the church and dedicate her to God: Shawn and Anne, you have been entrusted with a magnificent responsibility.
- Parents: We lovingly accept this responsibility.
- Minister: Congregation, what can we affirm about this child?
- People: That she is made in the image of God, and is a child of God.
- Minister: As Mary grows, how will we show that she is a child of God?
- People: We will give her our love and will include her in the experiences of our church family through prayer and deeds of kindness.
- Minister: As Mary grows into childhood, what will we tell her about biblical history?
- People: We will tell her about Abraham, the father of our faith; about Sarah, the mother of Isaac; about Moses, who led the Hebrew children into the promised land; about Ruth's example of faithfulness; about the Jewish hope of a Messiah; about Mary and Joseph's openness to mystery; about Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world; and about the history of the church as the people of God.
- Minister: What will we expect from this young one?
- People: We look to the day when she will declare faith in Jesus Christ, sit with us at the Lord's Table, confirm the heritage that we pass along to her, and come as an adult to full commitment to God's will and work.
- Minister: Parents, do you assume your primary responsibility for keeping Mary

in touch with such expectations?

- Parents: Yes, we dedicate ourselves to teach Mary the ways of God, through Jesus Christ our Savior.
- Minister: And do you, the congregation, pledge to work toward creating a nurturing environment for her?
- People: Yes, we do, for she belongs to us as well.
- Minister: Then, may God always be with you, Mary Coburn Matthews, and with you, Shawn, Anne, Millie and with our congregation, as we share with you the life and marvelous gift she is to us.
- Let us pray: Lord, God, we thank you for the gift of Mary, and for the privilege of molding and guiding her as she grows.

May you give Shawn and Anne delight, strength, patience and the gift of humor. May they be open to learning about your amazing love as they care for Mary and Millie and see signs of your divine gift in everyday ways.

We pray for their extended families, for all of us who are gathered here. May we learn the awesome responsibility of supporting this family as they grow in faith and life.

Bless them as they seek your guidance on their new journey of life, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

<u>Sunday, June 12</u> Sunday School

9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday, June 15

Chancel Choir Rehearsal 4:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. Bible Study with Willis Pinnell

<u>Thursday, June 16</u>

Covered Dish Fellowship Meal in the 6:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall for all individuals and families whose last name begins with the letters A, B, or C.

LOOKING AHEAD

<u>Sunday, June 19</u> Sunday School Morning Worship Pulpit Guest Rocky 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Atkinson, Christian Recovery Centers, Inc.

Monday, June 20

9:30 a.m. Finance Meeting

Tuesday, June 21 Deacons' Meeting

6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 22

- Chancel Choir Rehearsal 4:30 p.m.
- 6:30 p.m. Bible Study with Willis Pinnell

- Deacons of the Week Stephen Prince / Mary Alice Stanley 6/12
- Kate C. Lee / John Sauls Janice Young / Brad Johnson 6/19
- 6/26
- Tricia Sanderson 7/03



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