

# First Baptist Church



Growing Toward Christ

September 17, 2017

# THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 17, 2017

**Morning Worship**

**Eleven O'clock**

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\* Please stand as you are able.

**Greeting**

Rev. Ryan Clore

The threefold bell toll represents the doctrine of the Trinity:  
God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**Meditation**

O God of Joseph and all his brothers,  
your forgiveness transcends  
whatever wrong exists between us.  
Grant us the courage to forgive others,  
and to practice reconciliation  
by the kindness of our speaking,  
the sharing of our resources,  
and the honoring of your desire for good. Amen.

**Prelude**

*Christians Wake, A Voice is Calling!*

Mr. Jim Council  
Philipp Nicholai

**Call to Worship**

*Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord*

The Chancel Choir  
Randy Edwards

**Invocation**

Rev. Clore

\* **Hymn of Praise, No. 161**

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

DIADEMATA

**Responsive Prayer**

Congregation

Leader: Join me as we pray responsively for those who are refugees both abroad and in our country, for those who have lost everything amid civil war or natural disaster, and for those who are persecuted for the color of their skin, their religious beliefs or their political allegiances.

Leader: Lord, we grieve for those who have lost their families, loved ones and colleagues amid civil war, persecution and natural disaster.

People: **We grieve for their displacement from what is familiar.**

Leader: We grieve for their loss of livelihood and resources.

People: **We grieve their loss of a home.**



<b>Sermon</b>	The Gift of Forgiveness, The Gift of Forgiving	Rev. Clore
* <b>Hymn of Commitment, No. 388</b>	<i>Our God Has Made us One</i>	OLD 134TH
* <b>Benediction</b>		Rev. Clore
* <b>Benediction Response</b>	<i>May the Grace of Christ Our Savior</i>	The Chancel Choir OMNI DEI
* <b>Postlude</b>	<i>Recessional</i> (from Water Music Suite)	Mr. Council Handel, arr. Samuel Walter

The flowers are given to the Glory of God.

Today's meditation was copied from *Call to Worship*, PAM, Louisville, KY, 2016.

**Sunday, September 17**

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
 10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir Warm-up  
 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship, Children's Worship  
**Budget Distributed**  
 4:30 p.m. Youth/Adult Handbells  
 5:15 p.m. Youth Choir  
 6:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study

**Monday, September 18**

9:00 a.m. Finance Meeting  
 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting  
 10:00 a.m. WMU Meeting in the Fellowship Hall  
 4:00 p.m. Knit Wits (Knitting Ministry)

**Tuesday, September 19**

7:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting

**Wednesday, September 20**

4:30 p.m. Children's Handchimes, Grades 1-5  
 5:00 p.m. Melody Makers, Ages 4 - 1st grade  
 Young Musicians, Grades 2-5  
 5:45 p.m. Covered Dish Meal  
 6:30 p.m. Church Conference, Prayer Meeting,  
 Book Study, Godly Play Children's  
 Program  
 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir

**Sunday, September 24**

**Vote on Deacons & Budget**

**Deacons of the Week**

Emory Worley / Merle Worley

**September Missions**

NC Missions Offering  
 School Supplies



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Church**

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**Ministerial Staff**

Rev. Ryan Clore, Pastor  
 Rev. Eddie Fort, Minister of Music

**Support Staff**

Mrs. Teresa Malpass, Ministry Assistant  
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 Mr. Jim Council, Interim Organist

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