

First Baptist Church



Reflecting God's Hope For a New Day

August 23, 2026

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

Sunday
August 23, 2026

Morning Worship

Eleven o'clock

*He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, how will He
not also with Him graciously give us all things?"*

Romans 8:32 ESV

Prelude

Jesus Loves Me

Mrs. Pat Slomanski
arr. Albin Whitworth

Greeting and Announcements

Dr. Fred Senter

Choral Call to Worship

Chancel Choir

Invocation

Dr. Senter

Hymn of Praise, No. 54

Congregation

Great is Thy Faithfulness
The Lord's mercies . . . are new every morning. Lamentations 3:22-23 KJV

Responsive Reading

from Psalm 145

Congregation

Leader: I will exalt You, my God and King, and praise Your holy name forever and ever!

People: I will praise You every day; yes, I will praise You forever.

Leader: Great is the Lord! He is most worthy of praise!

People: No one can begin to measure His greatness.

Leader: Let each generation tell its children of Your mighty acts; let them proclaim
Your great power.

People: Yes! I will meditate on Your majestic, glorious splendor and Your wonderful
miracles.

Leader: Your awe-inspiring deeds will be on every tongue; I will proclaim Your
greatness!

People: Everyone will share the story of Your wonderful goodness; they will sing
with joy about Your righteousness.

Leader: The Lord is merciful and compassionate, slow to get angry and filled with
unfailing love.

All: THE LORD IS GOOD TO EVERYONE. HE SHOWERS COMPASSION ON ALL
CREATION. ALL OF YOUR WORKS WILL THANK YOU, LORD, AND YOUR
FAITHFUL FOLLOWERS WILL PRAISE YOU!

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Dr. Senter

Old Testament Reading

from Psalm 113

Mr. Stephen Prince

Offertory Hymn, No. 519

Congregation

Face to Face with Christ, My Savior

Now we see but a poor reflection . . . then we shall see face to face. 1 Corinthians 13:12 NIV

Offertory Prayer

Mr. Willis Pinnell

Offertory

There Is a Fountain

Mrs. Slomanski
arr. Harold DeCou

*There is a fountain filled with blood
Drawn from Immanuel's veins;
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
Lose all their guilty stains:
Lose all their guilty stains,
Lose all their guilty stains;
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
Lose all their guilty stains.*

*The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain in his day;
And there may I, though vile as he,
Wash all my sins away:
Wash all my sins away,
Wash all my sins away;
And there may I, though vile as he,
Wash all my sins away.*

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavn'ly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Congregation

Children's Sermon

Mrs. Donna Prince

Epistle Reading

2 Corinthians 9:10-13

Mrs. Gina Morningstar

Worship Through Song

Near to the Heart of God

Chancel Choir

Scripture Reading

Matthew 9:35-38

Dr. Senter

Sermon

"To See the People"

Dr. Senter

Hymn of Invitation, No. 502

Congregation

Open My Eyes, That I May See

Open Thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things. Psalm 119:18 KJV

Benediction

Dr. Senter

Postlude

Fanfare on "Saint Gertrude"

Mrs. Slomanski
arr. Gordon Young

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The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in honor of the children and young people who will begin a new school year tomorrow, by Martha Watson.

The flowers in the lobby today are given to the glory of God and in remembrance of Willard Cole by Mike Cole & Emily Cole Ricks.

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, August 23

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

Wednesday, August 26

10:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayer Service
Book Study - Immediately following morning prayer service
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Prayer Service

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, August 30

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

Wednesday, September 2, 9, 16, 30

10:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayer Service
Book Study - Immediately following morning prayer service
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Prayer Service

Sunday, September 6, 13, 20, 27

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

Monday, September 7

Labor Day - Church Office Closed

Tuesday-Thursday, September 8-10

Absentee Deacon Voting

Sunday, September 13

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship with Deacon Election

Monday, September 14

9:30 a.m. Finance Meeting
10:00 a.m. WMU Meeting

Tuesday, September 15

6:30 p.m. Deacons' Meeting

Sunday, September 20

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship with Budget Distribution

Wednesday, September 23

10:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayer Service
Book Study - Immediately following morning prayer service
5:45 p.m. Covered-dish Meal
6:30 p.m. Church Conference

Sunday, September 27

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship with Communion and Budget Vote

Friday, October 23

3:00 p.m. Whiteville High School Football Meal hosted by the Deacons



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Deacons of the Week

08/23	Donna Prince / Charlie Duncan
08/30	Mary Alice Stanley / Keith Beverley
09/06	Carolyn Grainger / Kirby Sanderson
09/13	Tricia Sanderson