

First Baptist Church



Reflecting God's Hope For a New Day

September 6, 2026

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

Sunday
September 6, 2026

Morning Worship

Eleven o'clock

Listen! I am standing at the door and knocking. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come into his house and take the evening meal with him and he with Me. To the one who conquers I will grant to sit down with Me on My throne, just as I conquered and sat down with My Father on His throne. Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

Revelation 3:20-22 NWT

Prelude

This Is My Father's World

Mrs. Pat Slomanski
arr. Diane Bish

Greeting and Announcements

Dr. Christopher Hillman

Invocation

Dr. Hillman

Hymn of Praise, No. 14

Congregation

Praise to the Lord, The Almighty
Praise ye the Lord . . . His glory is above the earth and heaven. Psalm 148:1, 13 KJV

Responsive Reading

from Hebrew 4:9-16

Congregation

Leader: So there is a special rest still waiting for the people of God.

People: **For all who have entered into God's rest have rested from their labors, just as God did after creating the world.**

Leader: So let us do our best to enter into that rest.

People: **But if we disobey God, as the people of Israel did, we will fall.**

Leader: For the word of God is alive and powerful. It is sharper than the sharpest two-edged sword, cutting between soul and spirit, between joint and marrow.

People: **It exposes our innermost thoughts and desires.**

Leader: Nothing in all creation is hidden from God. Everything is naked and exposed before His eyes, and He is the One to Whom we are accountable.

People: **So then, since we have a great High Priest Who has entered heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to what we believe.**

Leader: And this High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for He faced all of the same testings that we do - yet He did not sin.

All: **SO LET US COME BOLDLY TO THE THRONE OF OUR GRACIOUS GOD. THERE WE WILL RECEIVE HIS MERCY, AND WE WILL FIND GRACE TO HELP US WHEN WE NEED IT MOST. THANKS TO THE LORD, FOR HE IS GOOD! HIS FAITHFUL LOVE ENDURES FOREVER!**

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Dr. Senter

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 29:24-29

Mr. Brownie Cook

Offertory Hymn, No. 52

Congregation

He Leadeth Me! O Blessed Thought
He leadeth me beside the still waters. Psalm 23:2 KJV

Offertory Prayer

Mrs. Tricia Sanderson

Offertory

God's Wondrous Love

Mrs. Slomanski
arr. Marilyn Ham

The love of God is greater far than tongue or pen can ever tell.
It goes beyond the highest star and reaches to the lowest hell.
O love of God, how rich and pure, how measureless and strong.
It shall forever more endure, the saints and angels songs.

O love of God, how rich and pure!
How measureless and strong!
It shall forevermore endure—
The saints' and angels' song.

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

Ephesians 3:14-19

Mrs. Leigh Cook

Worship Through Song

Grace Greater Than Our Sin

Chancel Choir

Scripture Reading

Luke 8:16-17

Dr. Hillman

Sermon

"No Secrets in God's Kingdom"

Dr. Hillman

Hymn of Invitation, No. 445

Congregation

Sweet Hour of Prayer
They all joined together constantly in prayer. Acts 1:14 NIV

Benediction

Dr. Senter

Postlude

When We All Get to Heaven

Mrs. Slomanski
arr. Harold DeCou

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*The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and
in honor of Teresa Malpass and Dinah Reaves, by Kate C. Lee.*

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, September 6

Sunday School
Morning Worship
CAC - Zeko's Restaurant

Monday, September 7

Church Office closed for Labor Day

Wednesday, September 9

Wednesday Morning Prayer Service
Book Study - Immediately following morning
prayer service
Wednesday Evening Prayer Service

LOOKING AHEAD

Wednesday, September 16, 30

Wednesday Morning Prayer Service
Book Study - Immediately following morning
prayer service
Wednesday Evening Prayer Service

Sunday, September 13, 20, 27

Sunday School
Morning Worship

Tuesday-Thursday, September 8-10

Absentee Deacon Voting

Sunday, September 13

Sunday School
Morning Worship with Deacon Election

Monday, September 14

Finance Meeting
WMU Meeting

Tuesday, September 15

Deacons' Meeting

Sunday, September 20

Sunday School
Morning Worship with Budget Distribution

Wednesday, September 23

Wednesday Morning Prayer Service
Book Study - Immediately following morning
prayer service
Covered-dish Meal
Church Conference

Sunday, September 27

Sunday School
Morning Worship with Communion and
Budget Vote

Friday, October 23

Whiteville High School Football Meal hosted



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Deacons of the Week

09/06	Carolyn Grainger / Kirby Sanderson
09/13	Tricia Sanderson
09/20	Brownie Cook / John Sauls
09/27	Leigh Cook / Ron Walters

Term Expired 2025

Willis Pinnell
Betty Jo Prevatte
Mel Ray
Ella Jo Sellers

Term Expires 2026

Buster Carter
Brownie Cook
Charlie Duncan
Bobby Hensley
Kirby Sanderson

Term Expires 2027

Leigh Cook
Jeff Mahanes (res.)
Gina Morningstar
Donna Prince
Mary Alice Stanley
Keith Beverley

Term Expires 2028

Carolyn Grainger
Tricia Sanderson
John Sauls
Ronald Walters