



*Here in this place, there are no foreigners,
for all are welcome in God's house.
Here in this worship, there is only acceptance,
for love is the language of faith.
Here in our lives, there are no divisions,
for God dwells in each of us.*

Thank you for joining us for worship today. It is our truest desire that you feel at home here. The green displayed in our Sanctuary represents growth, indicating the current season of our church year (often called Ordinary Time) during which we look to God to help us strengthen our faith and our service.

The floral arrangement is given in memory of Sybil Topel in celebration of her birthday today, by her husband, Chris Topel, and her mother, Mollie Vannoy.

We welcome Gary Scott as our guest organist. Gary served as organist at First Presbyterian Church in Lebanon, TN, for many years. We are so thankful to have him as a leader in worship today.

During November, we are **collecting \$1 bills as part of our offering** to be used to help fund items needed by our community that are not covered through our Benevolence Fund. Last Sunday, we received \$116.

If you would like to know more about becoming a member of First Baptist or about making a profession of faith, please see Thomas Quisenberry in the Narthex after the service. A time will be arranged when you can speak together about the next steps to take in finding your place in our church family.

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Youth Choir Showcase, tonight, November 10, 6:00PM, Fellowship Hall
Our youth invite you to a wonderful evening of free entertainment provided by our multi-talented group. Desserts will add to the enjoyment.

Tickets are available today for the Adult Ministry Italian Feast!
Join us for a catered Italian Feast on Sunday, November 17, at 12:15PM in the Fellowship Hall. This event offers food, fun, and friends. **Today is the last day to purchase your \$10 ticket!** Bring some long-shelf-life milk to the luncheon for the Food Bank as our service project.

Youth Fall Retreat, Friday, November 15 – Sunday, November 17
The Fall Retreat is themed: *Flawed but Faithful*. To ensure that your youth gets a special treat that fits him or her, sign up as soon as possible. The cost is \$60 with a family discount for multiple youth. Amber Simpson, former FBC Youth Intern, will be leading the time using her ministry skills along with her creative, artistic side in a craft project we know they will love. **Registration deadline is Wednesday, November 13.**

Coming soon! Parents' Night Out, Friday, November 22, 6:00-10:00PM
PNO is for families with babies-5th graders. The cost is \$5/child or \$10/two or more children from the same family. It's held on the Preschool/Children's Hallway and the Lower Lobby Entrance is used for access. Please contact Lizzie Alford by Wednesday, November 20, to reserve a spot (423.648.2542 or lizzie@fbcchattanooga.org).



With this QR code, you can donate to our budget, pay for event tickets, give to a mission opportunity, and more. Please contact the church office with any questions.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, November 10

- 9:10 am Adult Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
- 9:30 am Sunday School/Bible Study
- 10:30 am Fellowship Time – Lobby
- 10:30 am Library Open
- 10:50 am Songs of Community – Sanctuary
- 11:00 am Worship
- 12:15 pm By-Laws Committee – Conference Room
- 4:30 pm Youth Choir Rehearsal – FH200
- 5:30 pm Youth Supper – Youth Area
- 6:00 pm Youth Choir Showcase – Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, November 12

- 9:00 am Tuesday Book Group – E209
- 10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry Group – E211
- 5:00 pm Investment Committee – E217
- 5:30 pm Moving Forward CJC Classes – Lower Chapel Area

Wednesday, November 13

- 10:00 am BetterFi – E210
- 5:30 pm Fellowship Time (BYOF) – Fellowship Hall
- 6:15 pm Preschool Music/Missions – E107
- 6:15 pm Children's Choir – E111
- 6:15 pm Youth Gathering – Youth Area
- 6:15 pm Epiphanies (study/discussion/action) – E217
- 6:15 pm Midweek Study (Pastor led) – Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 pm Gym Time (School-Age Kids/Youth)
- 7:15 pm House and Ground Cmte – Conference Room

Thursday, November 14

- 2:00 pm Shower Ministry – Rec Center Area

Friday, November 15

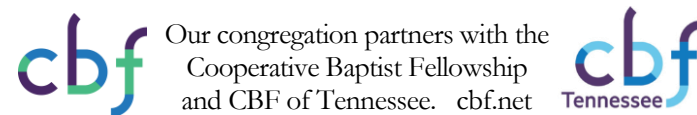
- 6:00 pm Youth Fall Retreat Begins – Office Entrance

Saturday, November 16

- Youth Fall Retreat – Dogwood

Sunday, November 17

- 9:10 am Adult Choir Rehearsal – Choir Suite
- 9:30 am Sunday School/Bible Study
- 10:15 am Youth Fall Retreat Returns – Church
- 10:30 am Fellowship Time – Lobby
- 10:30 am Library Open
- 10:50 am Songs of Community – Sanctuary
- 11:00 am Worship, Deacon Ordination
- 12:15 pm Adult Ministry Luncheon – Fellowship Hall



Worship Leaders

- Dr. Thomas Quisenberry -----Senior Pastor
- Rev. Jeff Parker-----Minister of Music and Worship
- Ms. Megan Long -----Intern, Youth and Children
- Mr. Gary Scott-----Organ
- Ms. Jenny Parker-----Piano

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Chattanooga, Tennessee
November 10, 2024

GATHERING

SONGS OF COMMUNITY *Grady Worley, piano*

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE *Franck*
Three Pieces in D-flat Major from *L'Organiste*

GREETING *Thomas Quisenberry*
In the east and west, the north and south,
God creates beauty and life.
From all corners of the globe,
God calls us to love, and to live, and to follow.
In our homes and in our hearts, in this church and in the world,
we sing and serve; we hope and we pray.
Let us worship God.

APPROACH

*HYMN 354 *ST. THOMAS*
I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord
(All children are invited to come forward during the final stanza.)

*PRAYER OF ADORATION *Jeff Parker*

CHILDREN'S TIME *Jim Boles*

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Sean Pickett*
1 Kings 17:8-16 (NRSV)
The word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY *Sean Pickett*
Gracious God, we often look at ourselves, our gifts, and our talents,
and wonder what you would do with these offerings.
We don't think that we have much to give.
So we belittle our gifts and turn our backs on opportunities to serve,
believing that our gifts cannot possibly make a difference.
Surely, we must possess the greatest talents and wealth to truly please you.
How foolish we are!

**Forgive us when we stop listening to your calling
and focus on what we see as our faults and deficiencies.**

Help us know that you have given us such rich talents and blessings
and that these are meant to be used with joy and in service to others.

For we ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

*HYMN HOLY MANNA
God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

**God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store,
nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door:
gifted by you, we turn to you, offering up ourselves in praise;
thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.**

**Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, your Son:
all at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the church made one.
Now direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone.**

Born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at your throne.

**Treasure, too, you have entrusted, gain through pow'rs your grace conferred:
ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel word.
Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ's ageless call,
healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.**

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PROCLAMATION

GOSPEL READING *Thomas Quisenberry*
Mark 12:38-44 (NRSV)
The word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE *Thomas Quisenberry*
Don't Hold Back

RESPONSE

*HYMN 395 *CWM RHONDDA*
God of Grace and God of Glory
(stanzas 1-3)

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY *Thomas Quisenberry*

PREPARATION FOR GIVING *Dan Mayfield*
Generosity begins as a decision from the heart.
It reflects care and concern for the needs of the world
as well as trust for the abundance of God's creation.
Let us give from what we have been given as an act of faithfulness.

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERING *arr. Crutchfield*
What Gift Can We Bring?
Adult Choir

What gift can we bring, what present, what token?
What words can convey it, the joy of this day?
When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing,
what song can we offer in honor and praise?

Give thanks for the past, for those who had vision,
who planted and watered so dreams could come true.
Give thanks for the now, for study, for worship,
for mission that bids us turn prayer into deed.

Give thanks for tomorrow, full of surprises,
for knowing whatever tomorrow may bring,
the Word is our promise always, forever;
we rest in God's keeping and live in God's love.

This gift we now bring, this present, this token,
these words can convey it, the joy of this day!
When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing,
this song we now offer in honor and praise!
Amen, and amen! Amen, and amen!

*DEDICATION OF GIFTS *OLD 100TH*

Praise God, the Source of life and birth; praise God, the Word, who
came to earth; praise God, the Spi - rit, ho - ly flame; all
glo - ry, hon - or to God's name! A - men.

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING *Dan Mayfield*

WORK OF THE CHURCH *Thomas Quisenberry*
Church Vote on Reports *Rusty Rouse*

*WORDS OF BLESSING

*BENEDICTION *Thomas Quisenberry*

*RESPONSE *GREEN TYLER*
**Christ in the eyes of all who see me,
Christ in the ears that hear my voice,
Christ in the hearts of all who know me:**

O Christ, sur - round me, O Christ, sur - round me.

POSTLUDE *Franck*
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Following the postlude, please exit at your convenience.

*Please stand, if able.

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