

Today is **World Communion Sunday**, where congregations throughout the world and across denominational lines share in joy around the Table. In an increasingly globalized world, where differences can be divisive, sharing in the elements of the Lord's Supper is the quiet constant that unites believers of Christ – that

grace, redemption and healing are afforded through the simple sharing of sacred bread and cup. It is our prayer that each one present will find great meaning as we share in this celebration with believers throughout the world.

The floral arrangement is given by the leadership of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of Tennessee, Alabama, and Georgia, in appreciation for First Baptist Church hosting the Tri-State CBF Assembly on October 3-4.

The rose on the communion table is in celebration of the birth of a daughter, Layla Ruth Ahmed, on September 28, to Natalie and Waqas Ahmed.

We are accepting gifts for the **Benevolence Fund** at the end of worship today. We cover the cost of 40 food vouchers per month. We also issue grants for utilities. Monies donated for the Benvolence Fund are used to cover these costs and may be given online (see QR code) or through the offering.

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 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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Congratulations to Thomas Quisenberry, our Senior Pastor, who commemorated his 15th anniversary with us on October 4; to Patty Spells, Church Administrative Assistant, who observed her 3rd anniversary with us on September 26; and to Sharon Wilkins, Custodian, who celebrated 12 years with us on September 30. We are extremely grateful for your ministry and service among us!

Due to busy October schedules, **Lunch & Learn** will pause for the next few weeks. When we return on Thursday, October 30, at 11:00AM in the Youth Area, we will show a double feature! We'll munch on our lunch goodies as we watch episodes 5 and 6 of *The Chosen* before having a brief discussion. Meetings will continue on Tuesdays for the first two weeks of November.

We welcome all families with young children, babies-2nd graders, to join us for our new ministry called F4 (Families, Fun, Faith, Fellowship). This Saturday, October 11, we will meet at the Weaver Tree Farms Pumpkin Lot (308 Signal Mtn. Rd.) at 11:00-11:30AM where your child may choose a pumpkin (\$7/child credit). We'll then move to the Pumpkin Patch Playground (1836 Taft Hwy, Signal Mtn) from 11:30AM-1:00PM. We encourage you to pack a lunch and come enjoy one another while giving our little ones time to let off some energy together! The church will provide drinks and pumpkin cookies. Questions? Contact Kelly at 561.252.2969 or kelly@fbcchattanooga.org.

Mark Your Calendar!

Sunday, October 12, Fall Break, no evening activities Wednesday, October 15, Fall Break, no evening activities Sunday, October 19, Cool Kids Collective (grades 3-5), Baking Party Sunday, October 26, Fall Festival, 5:00-6:30PM



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, October 5

8:45AM FBC Festival Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary

9:30AM Sunday School/Bible Study 10:30AM Fellowship Time – Lobby

10:30AM Library Open until Worship Begins 10:50AM Songs of Community – Sanctuary

10:50AM Songs of Community 11:00AM Worship – Sanctuary

4:30PM Marketing Task Force – E211

4:30PM Youth Choir Rehearsal – FH200

5:30PM Youth Supper – Youth Area 6:00PM Youth Bible Study – Youth Area

6:00PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Choir Suite

Tuesday, October 6

10:00AM Prayer Shawl Ministry Group – E211

5:30PM Moving Forward CJC Classes – Lower Chapel Area

Wednesday, October 8

5:30PM Fellowship Time (BYOF) – Fellowship Hall

6:15PM Preschool Music/Missions – E107

6:15PM Children's Choir – E111

6:15PM Youth Gathering – Youth Area

6:15PM Epiphanies (study/discussion/action group) – FH

6:15PM Midweek Study (Pastor led) – Fellowship Hall

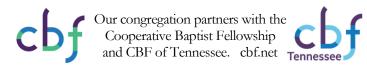
7:00PM Gym Time (School-Age Kids/Youth)

Friday, October 10

8:30AM Habitat for Humanity Workday – Off Campus

Saturday, October 11

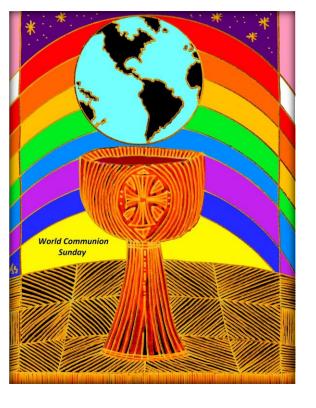
11:00AM F4: Weaver Tree Farms/Pumpkin Patch Playground



Worship Leaders

Dr. Thomas Quisenberry	Senior Pastor
Rev. Jeff Parker	Minister of Music and Worship
Rev. Kelly Kunf	-Interim Minister of Youth and Children
Ms. Megan Long	Intern, Youth and Children
Dr. Darryl Miller	Organ
Ms. Jenny Parker	Piano
Ms. Tina Erickson	Trumpet
Mr. Tommy Bulman	Trumpet
Mr. Gordon James	Horn
Dr. Doug Warner	Trombone
Dr. Kenyon Wilson	Tuba
Mr. David Hixson	Timpani

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Chattanooga, Tennessee October 5, 2025

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

GATHERING

SONGS OF COMMUNITY

Jenny Parker, piano

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

Greeting

Thomas Quisenberry

Friends, this is the joyful feast of unity.

Christ has gathered his people around the earth to commune at this table.

Across political lines and economic lines, in places of powerfully protected affluence, and among the poorest of the poor,

we share a meal, remembering and celebrating the One who proved inclusive love is possible.

Come, come with your doubts, come with your hopes, come with your inadequacies and with your strengths.

We come, for at this table all are invited and all are welcome.

PRELUDE

C. Phillips

Song of Peace

APPROACH

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Thomas Quisenberry

*Processional Hymn 35

LOBE DEN HERREN, arr. s. Proctor

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

(All children are invited to come forward during the final stanza.) (The Festival Choir will sing this stanza between the 2nd & 3rd stanzas in the hymnal.)

Praise ye the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee; surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.

Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, if with his love he befriend thee.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Kelly Kunf

PSALM READING

Karen Henderson

Psalm 33:1-12 (NRSV)

The word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

R. Murphy

Let All the World in Every Corner Sing
Festival Choir

Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing, my God and King! The heav'ns are not too high, God's praise may thither fly; the earth is not too low, God's praises there may grow. Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing, my God and King!

The church with psalms must shout:
no door can keep them out.
But, above all, the heart must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing, my God and King!

PROCLAMATION

EPISTLE READING

Thomas Quisenberry

II Timothy 1:1-14 (NRSV)

The word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Thomas Quisenberry

Rekindle the Gift

INVITATION TO THE TABLE 507

TABLE OF GRACE

Come to the Table of Grace

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Thomas Quisenberry

(As others receive communion, you are invited to join in singing these hymns.)

Hymn 525 – Let Us Break Bread Together

Hymn 521 – In Remembrance of Me

Hymn 498 – Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

Hymn 517 – Here, O Our Lord, We See You

RESPONSE

*Hymn 318

ST. PETER

In Christ There Is No East or West

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

Jeff Parker

PREPARATION FOR GIVING

Emma Mullins

There is unity at this table,

unity in this place, and unity with our sisters and brothers around the world.

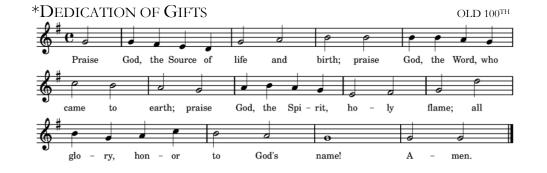
As we experience grace and renewal around the table,

may our gifts demonstrate our unity and strengthen our ministry.

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERING

arr. V. Hancock Wright

This Is My Father's World Children's Choir



*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Emma Mullins

WORK OF THE CHURCH

Thomas Quisenberry

Recognition of the Chancel Renovation Team

Prayer of Rededication of the Chancel

Creator of all that was, all that is, and all that will be — we give you thanks for the many ways you have been present with us in this place over the years. We celebrate it as a holy and sacred space.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

We give thanks for the vision and sacrifice that provided for this sanctuary and for all who have entered here to experience you in profound and meaningful ways.

As we have entered again into this sacred space we offer our gratitude for the skilled and dedicated individuals who have worked to make this day possible.

Bless them with the assurance that their labor was the avenue through which your vision became reality.

Today we rededicate the chancel and the entire sanctuary as a place to encounter you, the Almighty God.

May it be a place of beauty and reverence.

Rekindle our spirits with anticipation of all you will do in this holy space with us and all those who will be able to join us.

May all who pass by know that those who meet here come

May all who pass by know that those who meet here come, first of all, to worship you, our Creator and Sustainer. Amen.

Benevolence Emphasis

*WORDS OF BLESSING

*CHARGE

Thomas Ouisenberry

*BENEDICTION

D. Goeller

Let the World Hear Our Songs
Festival Choir

We have sung our songs as prayers to you. We have harmonized with your Spirit.

Go with us now to live for you. Help us live so the world will hear it.

We have sung our songs as praise to you.

We have harmonized with your Spirit.

Go with us now to love like you. Help us live so the world will see it.

Let the world hear our songs in the lives we live.

Let the world see your love in us.

Let the world hear our songs, let the world see our songs, help us live our praise and prayer. Amen.

RECESSIONAL

S. Karg-Elert

Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals

*Please stand, if able. OL#728820-A