

We are united not only with the saints of the calendar but also with our "next door" saints – our relatives and acquaintances who are now part of that immense multitude. All Saints' Day is a family feast, because the saints, our truest brothers and sisters, love us, know what is our true good, help us, await us, and want us to be happy with them in heaven. ~Pope Francis

(Cover artwork by Elizabeth Wang)

The flowers today are given by the Congregation of First Baptist Church in memory of those who have passed on during the last twelve months. Following the service, a representative from each family is invited to take one of the white roses from the arrangement.

During November, we are **collecting $1 bills as part of our offering** to be used to help fund items needed by our community, such as prescription medications, work shoes, and gas vouchers that are not covered through our First Baptist CARES Fund.

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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Are you interested in being a part of the FBC South Africa Mission Trip in July 2027? If so, please let Thomas Quisenberry know by the end of today!

Hey, Youth! Disciple Now (D-Now) weekend is almost here!
It's happening Friday, November 6 – Sunday, November 8, and the cost is $45. This year's theme is "Your Story: use your story to bring God glory." For the weekend, youth will split up in groups by age and sex, spending Friday and Saturday nights in homes of church members. Two young adult leaders will be with each group all weekend. Those leaders will teach Bible studies and lead discussions. The whole youth group will do activities together on Friday night and throughout the day on Saturday. D-Now will end after participating in worship together here on Sunday. You should have an email with additional information. Contact Lizzie with any questions (lizzie@fbcchattanooga.org).

Chapel Series: School of Fine Arts Faculty Recital, Sunday, November 8
Come hear members of our SFA Faculty share their music at 4:00PM in the Chapel. There will be solos and duets. Faculty members may not even play the instrument you expect. Come find out and enjoy some wonderful music.

Surviving the Holidays*, a ministry of *GriefShare, deals with difficult issues for those who have lost a loved one by death. We invite you to attend this support group that uses a professional video, survival guide and discussion. The free seminar is planned for next Saturday, November 14, from 10:00AM-12:00PM in E213. Register online at www.griefshare.org/events/306129. For additional information, please contact Jim Schwall (423.280.7998).

Our congregation partners with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship and CBF of Tennessee. cbf.net

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 1
9:00AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Choir Suite
9:30AM Sunday School/Bible Study
10:30AM Fellowship Time – Lobby
10:30AM Library Open until Worship Begins
10:50AM Songs of Community – Sanctuary
11:00AM Worship – Sanctuary
12:15PM Finance/Budget Committee – E217
4:30PM Growth Task Force – Conference Room
4:30PM Youth Choir Rehearsal – FH200
5:30PM Youth Supper – Youth Area
6:00PM Youth Bible Study – Youth Area
6:00PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, November 3
9:30AM Prayer Shawl Ministry Group – E211
5:30PM Moving Forward Chatt. Classes – Lower Chapel Area

Wednesday, November 4
10:00AM Master's Mats Group – E217
10:00AM Media Library Workers – Media Library Office
11:00AM FBC Serves at the CHATT Foundation
5:30PM Fellowship Time (BYOF) – Fellowship Hall
6:15PM Preschool Music/Missions – E107
6:15PM Children's Choir – E111
6:15PM Deacon Ordination Council – Fellowship Hall
6:30PM Deacon Council Meeting – FH200
6:30PM Youth Gathering – Youth Area
6:30PM Epiphanies (study/discussion/action group) – E217
6:30PM Midweek Study (Pastor led) – Fellowship Hall
7:00PM Gym Time (school-age kids/youth)

Thursday, November 5
2:30PM Shower Ministry – Rec Center Area

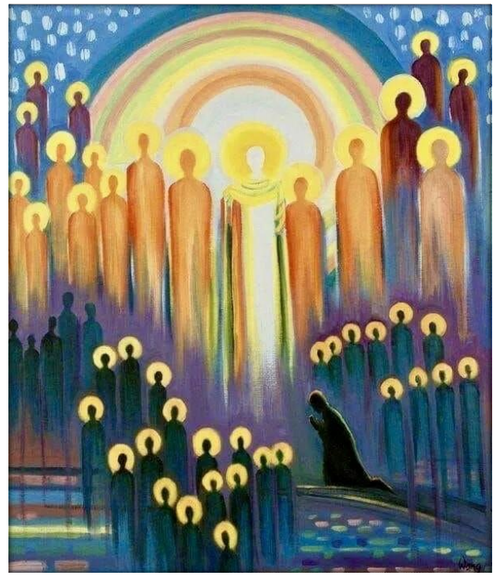
Friday, November 6
6:00PM Youth D-Now Weekend Begins – Fellowship Hall

Saturday, November 7
Youth D-Now Weekend
9:00AM Chancel Choir Christmas Workshop – Choir Suite

Sunday, November 8
8:30AM Dogwood Committee – Conference Room
9:00AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Choir Suite
9:30AM Sunday School/Bible Study
10:30AM Fellowship Time – Lobby
10:30AM Library Open until Worship Begins
10:50AM Songs of Community – Sanctuary
11:00AM Worship – Sanctuary
12:15PM Youth D-Now Weekend Completed
12:15PM Missions Committee Meeting – E217
4:00PM SFA Faculty Recital - Chapel

Worship Leaders
Dr. Thomas Quisenberry ----------Senior Pastor
Rev. Jeff Parker----------Minister of Music and Worship
Rev. Kelly Kunf----------Interim Minister of Youth and Children
Dr. Darryl Miller ----------Organist
Ms. Jenny Parker----------Pianist

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All Saints' Sunday

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Chattanooga, Tennessee
November 1, 2026

The Worship of God

All Saints' Sunday

Gathering

Songs of Community — *Jenny Parker*

Chiming of the Trinity

Greeting — *Thomas Quisenberry*

In the rosy-gray light of the early day,
in the cool damp of the morning,
we rise to praise our Maker.
Surrounded by colored glass and soothing light,
greeted by the voices of the saints,
we worship the One who loves us.
In the midst of such beauty and warmth,
we celebrate God.

Prelude — arr. D. Bédard

Variations on SINE NOMINE
(Hymn 326)

Approach

*Hymn 263 — CORONATION

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

*Prayer of Adoration — *Kelly Kunf*

*Response — GLORIA PATRI



(All children are invited to come forward at this time.)

Children's Time — *Sheila Albritton*

New Testament Reading — *Jeff Parker*

Revelation 7:9-17 (NRSV)
The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Recognition of the Saints — *Thomas Quisenberry*

Today we share the names of those members of our church family who have died in the past year. As these names are read, family members and friends are invited to stand briefly. After the reading of these names, anyone that has lost a loved one in the last year, be it family member or acquaintance, will be invited to stand in memory of that person. If you wish to speak the name of that person aloud, please do so at that time.

Bill Allen	Ron Earl	Harold Loyd
Robert Brown	Doug Eaves	Carol Martin
Shirley Bunn	Bobbie Fitch	Colleen Payne
Dean Cruce	Brad Harbuck	Hubert Turner, Jr.
Iris Daniels	Lavon Kendrick	Virginia Wagnon
Bill Doyle	Joe Koller	Carlie Wojnovich

*Hymn 326 — SINE NOMINE

For All the Saints

Proclamation

Gospel Reading — *Thomas Quisenberry*

Matthew 5:1-12 (NRSV)
The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Message — *Thomas Quisenberry*

Faith in Practice: Remembrance

*Hymn 691 — LAND OF REST

Lord, When I Came Into This Life

Response

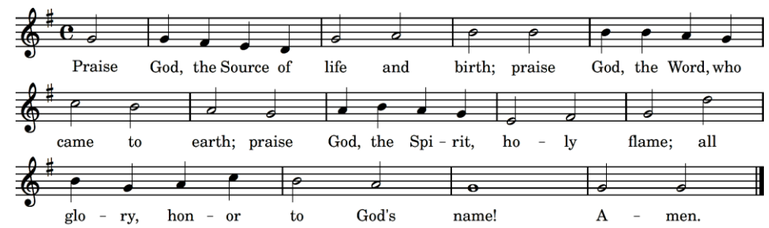
Preparation for Giving — *Steve Partridge*

May each of us follow in the footsteps of the saints of this congregation
as we give faithfully to the ministries of the church
and the needs of our neighbors.

Giving of Tithes and Offerings — D. Gawthrop

Sing Me to Heaven
Chancel Choir
(Please see insert for text.)

*Dedication of Gifts — OLD 100th



*Prayer of Thanksgiving — *Steve Partridge*

Pastoral Prayer — *Thomas Quisenberry*

*Hymn — FINLANDIA

O God of Love, This Is a Time of Turning
(Please see insert.)

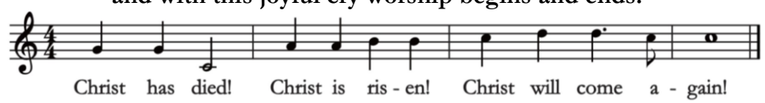
*Work of the Church — *Thomas Quisenberry*

*Words of Blessing

*Charge

*Response — ACCLAMATIONS

**This is the threefold truth on which our faith depends,
and with this joyful cry worship begins and ends:**



Postlude — arr. D. Bédard

Finale (from *Variations on* SINE NOMINE)
(Hymn 326)

A representative from each family of those named in the service
is invited to take one white rose from the floral arrangement.

Following the postlude, please exit at your convenience.

*Please stand, if able.

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O God of Love, This Is a Time of Turning

O God of love, this is a time of turning –
a time of change, with conflict in the news.
For in our land, some mighty winds are churning;
there's much at stake that we could gain or lose.
Love sings out strong, yet fires of hate are burning;
O God of all, you call us all to choose.

O God of peace, we hear your gracious promise:
your love can heal the hearts of humankind.
May we stand firm for truth and peace and justice;
may we leave fear and hatred far behind.
May we sing out, and – singing – be a witness,
and show resolve to work for what is kind.

O God of all, of immigrant and neighbor,
of those in power – and of the refugee,
You give us all our common life and labor –
our common hope, the peace we long to see.
God may we turn and be made strong together.
May we seek justice, love, and unity.

O God of love, have mercy on your churches;
take from our hearts our paralyzing fear.
Give us new faith! Make us courageous workers.
Help us to labor on from year to year;
when other voices call out to distract us,
may we choose well and seek your kingdom here.

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Sing Me to Heaven

Chancel Choir

In my heart's sequestered chambers lie truths stripped of poet's gloss.
Words alone are vain and vacant and my heart is mute.
In response to aching silence memory summons half-heard voices,
and my soul finds primal eloquence and wraps me in song.
If you would comfort me, sing me a lullaby.
If you would win my heart, sing me a love song.
If you would mourn me and bring me to God,
sing me a requiem, sing me to heaven.
Touch in me all love and passion, pain and pleasure.
Touch in me grief and comfort; love and passion, pain and pleasure.
Sing me a lullaby, a love song, a requiem.
Love me, comfort me, bring me to God:
Sing me a love song, sing me to heaven.

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