

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Moments with Children. At this time, all children ages four through sixth grade are invited to come forward. Children ages four through second grade will leave for Children's Worship after Moments with Children. Older children should return to their seats. Parents should pick up their children on the second floor of the Education Building after worship.

Faith Development. Parts of the service marked with a cross (†) have been identified by our ministerial staff as items that are particularly important in the faith development of our children and are included in our book "The Blueprint for Foundational Building Blocks of Faith." All church members are encouraged to study and learn these items. For a copy of the book or for more information, contact Priscilla Tunnell.

Recording. All worship services are recorded and may be viewed on our website. If you would like a copy of today's service, please call the pastor's office.

PRAYER CONCERNS (Please place in offering plate or hand to an usher or minister.)

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH CORE VALUES

in Heritage. . . Baptist
in Relationships. . . Family
in Character. . . Christlikeness
in Service. . . Leadership
in All Things. . . Prayer

P. Joel Snider, Pastor

Priscilla J. Tunnell, Minister of Faith Development

Keith A. Reaves, Minister of Worship/Music

Tamara Tillman Smathers
Minister of Education/Administration

John H. Uldrick, Minister to Students

Hugh Peacock and Joe Preston
Interim Ministers of Visitation

Patsy Cooper, Director of Weekday Education

Beverly Harris, Pianist

Joan Hill, Organist

Floyd F. Roebuck, Pastor Emeritus

CHURCH CALENDAR

(For more information on these events visit www.fbcrome.org.)

Sunday, May 9

9:00 a.m. Scrap Iron Bible Class - WLAQ 1410 AM
9:45 a.m. Bible Study
11:00 a.m. Worship

Monday, May 10

11:00 a.m. Ruble Mission Group—Dining Room
1:00 p.m. Whitworth Mission Group—Conference Room
5:00 p.m. First Baptist Ringers
5:30 p.m. Deacon Officers—Conference Room
6:00 p.m. Deacon Supper/Committees
7:00 p.m. Deacons' General Meeting

Tuesday, May 11

7:00 a.m. Youth and Children Bible Study - Chick-Fil-A

Wednesday, May 12

5:00 p.m. Family Night Supper—Fellowship Hall
5:20 p.m. Bible Study Teacher Preparation—Dining Room
5:30 p.m. Youth Gathering—Youth Room
6:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting—Fellowship Hall
6:15 p.m. All Children's Choirs Sing—Fellowship Hall
Youth Connection—Youth Room
6:30 p.m. Burial of Time Capsule and Dedication of Historical Marker
7:15 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal—Choir Room

Saturday, May 15

8:00 a.m. Love Builds—Vinyl Siding

FINAL FAMILY NIGHT UNTIL FALL: See the special schedule above for this Wednesday night. Children's choirs will sing and we will all take part in the burial of a time capsule in the courtyard and the dedication of a 175th Anniversary historical marker on Fourth Avenue. Be sure to make reservations for dinner by Tuesday.

175th ANNIVERSARY: The celebration is almost here! Join us next Sunday for a once-in-a-lifetime experience at First Baptist Church. See the website or the Spire for complete details.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Stevens, Sr., by the Dewey Stevens, Jr. Family.

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A Service of Christian Worship
May 9, 2010



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To help maintain a spirit of worship in today's service, please silence cell phones and pagers. Hearing assisted devices are available. Please see an usher for more information.

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude Joan Hill, organ
"Be Thou My Vision"...arr. Fred Bock (†)

Invocation..... Tamara Tillman Smathers

*Hymn of Praise No. 295NETTLETON
"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" (†)

Call to Prayer

We know that nothing can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ.
Let us, therefore, be free to confess the wrong we have done.

A Time for Silent Confession of Sin

Assurance of Forgiveness.....Gina Yu, violin
"How Great Thou Art"...arr. John Purifoy (†)

Parent-Child Dedication

Parents: Felix and Erin Thibault Child: Lillian Rae Thibault

The Parents' Vows:

Pastor: Felix and Erin, do you present Lillian for dedication, and thus declare your desire and intention to raise her as a Christian?

Parents: We do.

Pastor: Do you confess your own faith in Jesus Christ?

Parents: We do.

Pastor: Do you acknowledge that all individuals need Christ and the grace of God which He offers?

Parents: We do.

Pastor: Do you promise to pray for Lillian, for yourselves, and for others, asking God's guidance as together you seek to grow in knowledge and understanding of your faith?

Parents: We do.

Pastor: Do you promise to show in your own persons the joy of new life in Christ?

Parents: We do.

The Vows of the Church Family

We receive Lillian as a gift and sacred trust from God. We enfold her in our love, seeking together to grow in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and all people. We join Felix and Erin in telling the gospel in our midst so that Lillian may live with us for Christ, and some day, make her own decision to follow Him. We, too, ask God to help us keep these promises.

Hymn of Children No. 685..... HARLAN
"Children Are a Gift from Heaven"
(Children ages four through sixth grade are invited to come forward.)

Moments with Children.....Priscilla J. Tunnell

Morning Prayer Dr. Joel Snider

*Reading of Holy Scripture..... Deuteronomy 4:9-13
(The text may be found on page 175 of the pew Bible.)
John Uldrick, reader
Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

*Gloria Patri (†)
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Musical Offering.....Sanctuary Choir

"The Majesty and Glory of Your Name"...Tom Fettke
(The text to this anthem is based on Psalm 8.)

When I gaze into the night skies And see the works of Your fingers,
The moon and stars suspended in space...
Oh, what is man that you are mindful of him?
You have given man a crown of glory and honor
And have made him a little lower than the angels.
You have put him in charge of all creation;
The beast of the fields, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea.
But what is man, oh what is man that you are mindful of him?
Oh Lord our God, the majesty and glory of Your name
Transcends the earth and fills the heavens.
Oh Lord our God, little children praise You perfectly
And so would we, and so would we. Alleluia...

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Sermon.....Dr. Snider
"Spiritual Child Neglect"

*Hymn of Response No. 629..... STRENGTH
"Be Strong in the Lord"

*Prayer of Stewardship.....Nicki Hunt

Offertory..... Beverly Harris
"Children of the Heavenly Father"...arr. Virginia Halberg

Meditation Text:

Consistently responsible parents, attentive to their principles, their adult relationships, and connected to their youngsters, rear responsible children.
—Roberta Gilbert in *Connecting to Our Children*

The Work of the Church Rev. Uldrick

Welcome to New Members of the Church Family

*Pastoral Blessing and Passing of the Peace

*Commissioning Hymn
May the Lord, mighty Lord, Bless and keep you forever,
Grant you peace, perfect peace, Courage in every endeavor.
Lift your eyes and see His face, And His grace forever.
May the Lord, mighty Lord, Bless and keep you forever.

*Postlude.....Joan Hill
"Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain"...arr. Michael Costello
(This appears as Hymn 218 in our hymnal.)

WELCOME TO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

We are honored that you have chosen to join us in worship today. There is a time in our service when we will welcome guests; we will not, however, ask you to stand, raise your hand, or do anything that makes you feel awkward. We would like to know you were here, however. Please fill out the information request below and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher or minister as you leave. We promise to use it only to contact you about our church. Again, welcome to First Baptist Church!

This is my (our)...

- First visit to First Baptist Church
- Second visit to First Baptist Church
- Third (+) visit to First Baptist Church

Name_____

Spouse's First Name_____

Address_____

City_____

State_____ Zip Code _____

E-mail Address_____

Home Telephone_____

Is your number unlisted? Yes No

Children Living at Home (Name/Age/Grade)

- I am a newcomer to Rome.
- I am interested in knowing more about First Baptist Church.
- I would like to talk with a minister.
- I would like to know how to become a Christian.
- I am a guest of:
