



First Baptist Church

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

August 3, 2025

10:45am

Centering Words (Matthew 10)

*In Christ Jesus,
all are welcome here.
Welcome, people of God!*

Welcome/Opportunities for Service/Invocation

Chad Hartsock

Prelude

Jesus Loves Me with Jesus Loves the Little Children

arr. Sorenson

Call to Worship

Psalm 118:24

Chad Hartsock

This is the day that the Lord has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Let us worship the Lord together!

Blessing of the Backpacks

Bethany Davenport, Students, Teachers, and Staff

First Grade Bible Presentation

Bethany Davenport

Micagar Hudson Miller

***Hymn of Commitment 495**

Step by Step

STEP BY STEP

(Children meet your leader at the front of the sanctuary for Bible Study.)

Scripture Reading

Psalm 107:1-9

Kaylin Hartsock

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,
those he redeemed from trouble
and gathered in from the lands,
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.

Some wandered in desert wastes,
finding no way to an inhabited town;
hungry and thirsty,
their soul fainted within them.

Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,
and he delivered them from their distress;
he led them by a straight way,
until they reached an inhabited town.

Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love,
for his wonderful works to humankind.

For he satisfies the thirsty,
and the hungry he fills with good things.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn of Stewardship 672*All Things Are Yours*

GERMANY

Offertory Prayer

Carolyn Blevins

Offertory*Blessings*

Keveren

***Response of Thanksgiving(707 tune)**

Laney/OLD 100TH

Do justice, says the One we praise,
in loving kindness spend your days,
walk humbly with the living Christ:
the way, the truth, our endless life! Amen.**

Scripture Reading

Luke 12:13-21

Ken Morton

Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a

parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Musical Offering *Richer Than Before* Sorenson
Worship Ensemble; Pam Hester, solo; Cary Bible, guitar

My doubts cannot undo the words You’ve said.
Your silence does not mean that hope is dead.
But the lies we eat when our souls are starved
leave us with malnourished hearts.

The things dissolved were never mine to keep.
I’m letting go of treasures that were cheap.
But I’ll focus on the positives:
my hands are filled with promises from You.

So use my doubts to draw me near,
and use my needs to show You’re here.

Chorus

And though the world should crash and burn,
I’m wealthy in these lessons learned. [Chorus]

My table might be empty,
but my cup is overflowing.

My riches might be smaller now,
but Lord, my faith is growing.

And maybe I am learning less is more.
Maybe I am richer than before.

It’s good that I can’t see the road ahead.
It’s good that You are leading me instead.
Now the walls feel small and the noise is gone;
I hear You sing a new love song.

The Coming Week at FBC

Sunday, August 3

5:00pm Youth Gathering/Room 214

Monday, August 4

6:00pm Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall

7:00pm Boy Scouts/Fellowship Hall

7:30pm Upper Room Ladies Bible Study/Zoom

Tuesday, August 5

1:00pm Staff Meeting/Church Office

Wednesday, August 6

9:30am Community Bible Study/Room 301

4:00pm Wednesday's Neighbors/Parlor

6:00pm Common Prayer and Bible Study/Music Ste.

6:45pm Worship Ensemble Rehearsal/Music Ste.

Thursday, August 7

8:30am Men's Breakfast/Bojangles

Friday, August 8- Church Office Closed

Readings for next Sunday, July August 10, 2025:

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; Psalm 50: 1-8,22-23

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40

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We are glad that you are here!

If you're a guest today and would like to let us know, please scan the QR code with your smartphone camera to access our online response card.

You can also scan the code to submit a prayer request or let us know that you are interested in membership at First Baptist. Response cards and offering envelopes are also available in the pew racks and can be placed in the offering plate or offering boxes.