First Baptist Church
JEFFERSON CITY TENNESSEE

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 13, 2026 10:45am

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

Welcome/Opportunities for Service/Invocation
Chad Hartsock

Prelude
Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him arr. Smith

Call to Worship Chad Hartsock
(Psalm 103:1; 104:33-34, adapted)

Believers in Christ, bless the Lord;
let all that is within you bless God's holy name!
Let us sing to the Lord as long as we live;
sing praises to God while we have being.
May our meditation be pleasing to God
as we rejoice in the Lord.
Come, let us worship the Lord together!

***Hymn of Praise and Adoration 319**
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty LOBE DEN HERREN

Litany Sarah Dunn and People

Hear, O Israel:
the Lord is our God,
the Lord alone.

You shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart,
and with all your soul,
and with all your might.

Keep theses words that I am commanding you today in your heart.

Recite them to your children
and talk about them when you are at home
and when you are away,
when you lie down
and when you rise.

Bind them as a sign on your hand,
fix them as an emblem on your forehead,
write them on the doorposts of your house
and on your gates.**

***Hymn of Formation 280**
Speak, O Lord SPEAK, O LORD

Pastoral Prayer Major Treadway

Prayer Response 404 (verses 1 and 5)
I Need Thee Every Hour NEED

Offertory Prayer Kevin Davenport

Offertory
Look Deep Within Your Heart Stevens
Julia Bass, flute; Angie France, piano

***Response of Praise (707 tune)** OLD HUNDRETH/Luti

Praise God whose mercies never cease,
whose justice raises up the least
and sits all creatures down to feast—
God's mercy is our hope and peace!*** Amen.

Scripture Reading Psalm 103:1-13 Karen Smith

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me,
bless his holy name.
Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and do not forget all his benefits—
who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the Pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
who satisfies you with good as long as you live
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.
The Lord works vindication
and justice for all who are oppressed.
He made known his ways to Moses,
his acts to the people of Israel.
The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
He will not always accuse,
nor will he keep his anger forever.
He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.
For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
as far as the east is from the west,
so far he removes our transgressions from us.
As a father has compassion for his children,
so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him.

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

Musical Offering *A New Song* Courtney

Julia Bass, flute; Worship Ensemble

Sing a new song, sing a new song.
Sing to the Lord a new song,
sing to the Lord a new, a new song.

For the word of the Lord is right and true
and His work is done in faithfulness.
The Lord loves righteousness and justice.
The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

Sing to the Lord a new song,
sing to the Lord a new song, a new song.

Our soul waits for the Lord,
our help and our shield.
For our heart rejoices in Him
because we trust in His holy name.

Sermon *It's Who God Is* Christine Jones

Time of Reflection and Response
Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus arr. Berry

***Departing Hymn of God's Sustainment 53**
Forever FOREVER

Brendan Dunn, guitar; Ian Miller, cajon

***Benediction** Major Treadway

*Please rise by standing or lifting your heart.

We welcome as guest minister today Rev. Dr. Christine Jones, new pastor of Heritage Baptist Church, Cartersville, Georgia.

The Coming Week at FBC

Sunday, September 13

12:00pm Ministry and Facility Conversations/Market Conditions/Room 301
2:00pm CAC/Music Suite
5:00pm Youth Gathering/Room 214
5:00pm Ministry and Facility Conversations/Ministry Plan #2/Room 301

Monday, September 14

6:00pm Cub Scout Pack 194/Fellowship Hall
7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 76/Fellowship Hall
7:30pm Upper Room Ladies Bible Study/Zoom

Tuesday, September 15

1:00pm Staff Meeting/Church Office

Wednesday, September 16

4:00pm Wednesday's Neighbors/Parlor
5:00pm WNS (Barbecue)/Fellowship Hall
5:30pm Music Makers/Room 103
5:45pm Young Musicians/Room 103
6:00pm Common Prayer and Bible Study/Music Suite
6:45pm Ensemble Rehearsal/Music Suite

Thursday, September 17

8:30am Men's Breakfast

Friday, September 18 - Church Office Closed

Readings for Today:	Readings for Next Sunday:
Exodus 14:17-31	Exodus 16: 2-15
Psalm 103:1-13	Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45
Romans 14:1-12	Philippians 1:21-30
Matthew 18:21-35	Matthew 20:1-16

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Welcome to First Baptist Church!

Our membership is open to all persons regardless of race, social status, gender, and sexual identity and affirms our motto, "Breaking down barriers to proclaim the love of Christ."

CHURCH STAFF

Angie France, Organist
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Deacons & Minister of the Week:

September 13 - September 19

Susan Garber/Betty Watkins/Nenette Measels

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Wi-Fi: FBCJC-Guest/Password:Welcome2026

Follow us on *Facebook* and *YouTube*!

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.