



THE WORSHIP OF GOD
Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

November 9, 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

When We All Get to Heaven

arr. Berry

Call to Worship

Chad Hartsock and People

In autumn beauty blue, sky and golden land are clothed.
Apple-gathering children and nut-gathering squirrels
alike prepare for winter.

**In our tradition, harvest is a time of rejoicing
in God's natural bounty
and the ingathering of our lives.**

We praise God for all we have received.
Seasons turn but God's love is changeless.

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**Maple leaves dancing, crisp breezes blowing,
the good news stories of Jesus' sojourn in Galilee,
and the restless winds of the Spirit
rushing through our lives—all these assure us
of God's faithful presence.****

***Hymn of Praise 671**

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

BEACH SPRING

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

Scripture Reading Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21 Edward Treadway

I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless your name forever and ever.
Every day I will bless you,
and praise your name forever and ever.
Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised;
his greatness is unsearchable.
One generation shall extol your works to another,
and shall declare your mighty acts.
They will recount the glorious splendor of your majesty,
and on your wondrous works I will meditate.
The Lord is just in all his ways,
and kind in all his doings.
The Lord is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth.
He fulfills the desire of all who fear him;
he also hears their cry and saves them.
The Lord watches over all who love him,
but all the wicked he will destroy.
My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord,
and all flesh will bless his holy name forever and ever.
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

***Hymn of Daily Life 677**

When We Are Tested

SLANE

Litany of Confession

Major Treadway and People

Gracious God, we confess our sins and we ask
your forgiveness
**for when we act out of fear, when we act out of anger,
and when we act out of selfishness;**
for when our thoughts are small-minded,
when our thoughts are unruly,
and when our thoughts are bitter;
**for when our words are unfeeling,
when our words are thoughtless,
and when our words are admirable but empty;**
for when we waste your gift and possibilities,
and when we do not live out of love.

and when we do not live out of love.

You, oh God, are the source of love and life.

We ask your forgiveness

and your re-forming of our very selves,

for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Risen Savior. Amen.**

Prayer Response Hymn 385

Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

WHELPTON

Offertory Prayer

Jim Wilson

Offertory

Lord, I Need You

arr. Koerts

***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 20:27-38

Rachel Bass

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her." Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

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

Hymn of Eternal Life 548

When We All Get to Heaven

HEAVEN

Musical Offering

You Are Mine

arr. Hayes

Worship Ensemble; Julia Bass, flute

I will come to you in silence,
I will lift you from all your fear.
You will hear my voice,
I claim you as my choice,
be still and know I am here.

I am hope for all who are hopeless,
I am eyes for all who long to see.
In the shadows of the night
I will be your light,
come and rest in me.

Chorus

Do not be afraid, I am with you.
I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me,
I will bring you home;
I love you and you are mine.

I am strength for all the despairing,
I am healing for the ones who dwell in shame.
I will heal. All the blind will see,
the lame will all run free,
and all will know my name. [Chorus]

I am the Word that leads all to freedom,
I am the peace the world cannot give.
I will call your name
Embracing all your pain.
Stand up, now walk, and live! [Chorus]
You are mine.

Sermon

Major Treadway

Cultivating Sustainable Faith:
Faith for the Living

Communion

Ministers, Deacons, and People

Time of Reflection and Response

Just As I Am

arr. Johnson

Julia Bass, flute; Angie France, organ

Departing Hymn 513

Go Now in Peace

EARTH AND ALL STARS (abridged)

**If you can do so, please stand for this portion of the worship service.*

The Coming Week at FBC

Sunday, November 9 - Communion Sunday

2:00pm Church Advisory Council/Music Suite

5:00pm Youth Gathering/Room 214

Monday, November 10

6:00pm Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall

7:00pm Boy Scouts/Fellowship Hall

7:30pm Upper Room Ladies Bible Study/Zoom

Tuesday, November 11

1:00pm Staff Meeting/Church Office

Wednesday, November 12

9:30am Community Bible Study/Room 301

4:00pm Wednesday's Neighbors/Parlor

5:00pm Wednesday Night Supper (Spaghetti)/
Fellowship Hall

6:00pm Music Makers/Room 103

6:00pm By-Laws Discussion with Bill Ellis/Music Suite

6:45pm Worship Ensemble Rehearsal/Music Suite

Thursday, November 13

8:30am Men's Breakfast/Bojangles

Friday, November 14 - Church Office Closed

Saturday, November 15

8:00am Boy Scout Troop Pancake Fundraiser/
Fellowship Hall

Readings for next Sunday, November 16, 2025:
Isaiah 65:17-25; Psalm 98;
2 Thessalonians 3:6-13; Luke 21:5-19

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November 9-November 15

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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.