

The acolytes today are Blake Dennis and Martin Russo.

Preston Davis welcomes our radio listeners today.

The guest organist is Judy Snyder. Judy serves on the Personnel and Intern Committees. She and her husband, John, sing in the Sanctuary Choir and are members of the Price Class. They have three children and 5 grandchildren.

Children's Choirs are leading in worship today. The Archangel Choir (4-year-olds) is led by Ellen Wilson. The Treble Choir (5-year-olds) is directed by Priscilla Harris. Karen Childers leads the Melody Choir (1st grade children), and Josh Harrington is their accompanist. Jane Stelling directs the Harmony Choir (2nd and 3rd grade children), and Carol Godfrey is their accompanist. The Junior Choir (4th and 5th grade children) is led by Amy Joye, and Joanne Smith is their accompanist.

In honor of the children of First Baptist Greenville from whom we learn much about the kingdom of God, the Prayer Umbrella that they helped create is in our Sanctuary. They painted a bare umbrella frame from top to bottom before adding fabric, creating a canopy of color. The final step was to add the showering blessings. Beads, pictures and words of encouragement were added to be sure that anyone standing underneath for prayer would feel the love of God raining down upon them. All are welcome to stand underneath this Prayer Umbrella and feel showered with blessings from God - and from our youngest ministers, the children of FBG.

Pocket Change for Lula

At the close of worship, children will be stationed at the doors with baskets to accept your pocket change for the Lula Whilden World Missions Offering.

Looking Ahead

- October 9, 4:30pm
Church-wide Picnic (Home of Pat and Mary Lou Hartness)
- October 11, 9:00am-3:00pm
Holy Rollers to Asheville Farmers Market and Moose Cafe
- October 12
Wednesdays at First
- October 15, 9:00am-noon
Morning Retreat: Seeing with New Eyes (Parlor)
- October 16, 10:30am
Jim Dant, Proclaimer
- October 19
Wednesdays at First
- October 21, 5:30-9:00pm
Children's Event: Denver Downs
- October 23, 9:00am
New Member Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
- October 23, 10:30am
Baptism
Jim Dant, Proclaimer
- October 23, 2:00pm
Transformation Walk
- October 26
Wednesdays at First
- October 27, 6:00pm
Trunk or Treat (Phillis Wheatley Center)
- October 30-November 5
Roadrunners to Branson, MO
- October 30, 10:30am
Jim Dant, Proclaimer
- October 30, 4:30-8:00pm
Youth Halloween Outing: Grove Station Farm
- October 30, 5:00pm
Lulapalooza Texas Hold 'em Tournament (Fellowship Hall)
- November 2
Wednesdays at First

Financial Needs as of 10/8
\$1,923,080
Receipts as of 10/5
\$1,741,482
Lula Whilden Goal
\$125,000
Lula Whilden as of 10/5
\$20,890

- Mary Carol Anderson
Youth and Recreation
- Bootie Cothran
Media and Technology
- Jim Dant
Senior Minister
- Vivian Hamilton
Music and Worship
- Priscilla Harris
Children's Music
- Jenna Manning
Church Operations
- Kyle Matthews
Worship Arts
- Juli Morrow
Preschool
- Rosemary New
Infant-Toddler Program
- Kendra Plating
Pastoral Care
- Becky Ramsey
Children
- Jeanie Reed
Youth Music
- Matt Rollins
Spiritual Formation and Outreach
- Frank A. Smith
Neighborhood Partnership and Christian Fellowship
- Kathy Stewart
Kindergarten
- Laura Stout
Missions



FBG Cares: Self

October 9, 2016

Children's Sabbath

Ten Thirty O'clock

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Our Children Lead in Worship

Greeting Abby Cline
Tucker Jones

Invocation Larsen Quattlebaum

Introit "A Friend to You" Joanne LeDoux
Archangel and Treble Choirs Milton LeDoux

Welcome of Worshipers Becky Ramsey

*Processional Hymn 144 MARION
"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"

*Opening Sentences Jake Good

One: For birdsong and laughter and the ears to hear them, we give thanks.

Archangel and Treble Choirs: Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.

One: For strawberries and chocolate and the tongues to taste them, we give thanks.

Melody and Harmony Choirs: Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.

One: For waterfalls and baby smiles and the eyes to see them, we give thanks.

Junior Choir: Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.

One: For family and friends and the arms to hug them, we give thanks.

All: Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.

One: Amen.

Choral Worship "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" Robert J. Powell

Dedicated to Nancy Kirby for 42 years of leadership of Children's Choirs by the Music Ministry of First Baptist Church, Greenville, SC

Blessing of Choir and Missions Leaders Elle LaForge
Briley Gray

Scripture Lesson Matthew 11:25-30 Asher Wynn

The scripture today is being read from *The Message*. The passage is located on page 792 of the NRSV Bible in the pew rack.

Call to Prayer "Take, O Take Me As I Am" John L. Bell

WORDS: John L. Bell
MUSIC: TAKE, O TAKE by John L. Bell

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Pastoral Prayer Martin Russo

*Children's Hymn 149 ROYAL OAK
"All Things Bright and Beautiful"

All children first through fifth grades are invited to come to the front during the singing of the last two stanzas of this hymn.

Children's Sermon

Choral Worship "Be Strong in the Lord" Dennis Allen
Melody and Harmony Choirs Nan Allen

Sermon Unforced Rhythms of Grace Kendra Plating

*Invitational Hymn 187 "Jesus Loves Me" JESUS LOVES ME

*Invitation to Offering Cooper Janse

Teach me your way, O Lord, and lead me on a level path...
(Psalm 27:11a)

*Offertory Prayer Celie Ann Rollins

Musical Offering "We Will Rejoice" Ruth Elaine Schram
Junior Choir

Introduction of New Members

Service and Fellowship of the Church

*Doxology (Hymn 32) LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Benediction Morgan Joye

*Choral Benediction Response Natalie Sleeth
"Go Now in Peace"

*Postlude "Plein Jeu" Gordon Young

Our Service of Worship has ended.
Our Worship through Service begins.