

Playing the offertory today are Ceng-Ceng: Daniel Gulley; Bells and Klentong: Doug Stout; Kendang: Carla Brazell; Kajar: Jonathan Bailey; Violin: Catherine Crowe; and Handbell Ensemble: Cathy Goldfarb, Barbara Gulley, Will Livingston, Kathy Stewart, Bexx Summey, Julie Summey and Julie Treu. The directors are Jonathan Bailey and Carla Brazell.

The offertory music, “Tabuh Lengker,” is normally played by a large ensemble (25+ instruments) called gamelan whose origin stretches back more than a thousand years.”Tabuh Lengker” is typical of music played in the context of Balinese Hindu worship. Balinese music reflects the tripartite division of reality (like trinity) also reflected in the human body: head, torso and legs. The music is divided into an introduction (kawitan) which is the head, a fast section (pengecet) which is the torso, and a slow section (pengawak) which is legs. We also divided the handbell ensemble along the lines that gamelan instruments would be divided – according to function – so we have a bass section, a rhythm/ornamentation section, and an improvisational section. Unlike western music which tends to be linear and reflects our way of understanding the world and faith from the perspective of history (God above culture), Balinese music reflects a cyclical perspective on reality, in tune with, for example, the repeating cycles of nature, unity, God-at-center of life and community. In Balinese music, everyone is needed and has equal value in the music. Each part plays a necessary part, which is also a metaphor for community. Gamelan, first exposed to Europe in the late 19th and early 20th century, profoundly impacted the development of western classical music because of this different perspective. Among the composers whose work was shaped by gamelan music are Debussy, Messiaen and Ravel.



Today is a fifth Sunday, a Stephen Ministry awareness day. Our Stephen Ministry consists of trained lay people who provide one-to-one confidential Christian care to people in our congregation and community who are struggling with difficult circumstances. Stephen Ministers are wearing name tags this morning. Following the service, they will move to the Come Unto Me Window where you are invited to ask any question you may have about their ministry. Information can also be obtained on our church’s website.



This Sanctuary is equipped with Hearing Loop. If you have a hearing aid equipped with a T-coil and switch to it, you will hear audio directly from our sound system.

The invitation to offering is adapted from a prayer written by Christine Longhurst. Music selections today include: “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” setting by Johann Gottfried Walther; “O Love” by Elaine Hagenberg, ©2016 Beckenhorst Press, Inc.; “Tabuh Lengker: Balinese Gamelan arranged for Handbells” arranged by Carla Brazell; “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me” by Paul M. Vasile, ©2008 Paul M. Vasile; and *Allegro* (from Concerto in F major after Albinoni) by Johan Gottfried Walther. (OneLicense.net #A717474; CCLI #1466252)

Mary Carol Anderson Youth and College	Camille Loomis Rehnborg Spiritual Formation and Outreach	Michael McEntyre Engaged Aging
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Bridget Kokolis Children	Carol McEntyre Senior Minister	Andrew Tonks Associate Youth and College

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www.firstbaptistgreenville.com/worship-live/

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Looking Ahead

- Wednesday, July 2
12:00-1:30pm Youth to Lunch at Rocky’s Hot Chicken Shack (drop off and pick up at Rocky’s)
- Friday, July 4
FBG Closed in Observance of Independence Day
- Sunday, July 6
9:15am Summer Adult Sunday School Series (Fellowship Hall) A Fruitful Summer: Fruit of the Spirit
The Spiritual Formation Committee offers an adult Sunday School option during the summer.
10:30am Fourth Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service (Sanctuary) with Proclaimer Carol McEntyre, including Communion
- Monday, July 7-Friday, July 11
Unidiversity Youth Camp
6th-12th grade students enjoy a sleep-away camp with other CBF churches in Maryville, TN.
- Thursday, July 10
8:30am-2:00pm Engaged Aging Hike to Jones Gap Falls
Sponsored by the Engaged Aging Ministry, gather to ride the church bus (\$5) and enjoy a hike and a picnic lunch (bring your own).
- Sunday, July 13
9:15am Summer Adult Sunday School Series (Fellowship Hall) A Fruitful Summer: Fruit of the Spirit
The Spiritual Formation Committee offers an adult Sunday School option during the summer.
10:30am Fifth Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service (Sanctuary) with Proclaimer Carol McEntyre, including Family Dedication
- Tuesday, July 15-Friday, July 18
Children to Camp Prism
Rising 4th, 5th and 6th grade students enjoy a sleep-away camp with other CBF churches in Flat Rock, NC.
- Wednesday, July 16
9:00am-2:00pm MidWeek Missions & More for Youth
6th-12th grade students support a local mission partner, enjoy lunch together and wrap a Bible Study all into select Wednesdays during the summer.

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Revenue Report

6/24/2025 YTD:	\$1,225,815
6/30/2024 Actual:	\$1,315,866
6/30/2025 Budget:	\$1,491,000

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After the World Has Ended:
Jeremiah’s Call to Resilience

June 29, 2025
Third Sunday after Pentecost

Ten Thirty O’Clock



Words of Praise

Greeting	Carol McEntyre
Music for Centering	<i>setting, Johann Gottfried Walther</i> “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”
*Processional Hymn 169	ST. DENIO “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”
Welcome of Worshipers	Carol McEntyre

Words of Faith

Opening Confession
The nations have chosen material idols – the lure of silver and gold. With their mouths they utter falsely, blind to the people’s needs; Their ears are deaf to the cries of the poor, they breathe greed and spit out arrogance. Awaken, O people of earth! Unbind your hearts of stone that balance and harmony may be restored! Nations of the world, put your trust in the Holy One, who is your Guide and Counselor! The Beloved is ever mindful of us and blesses us. Love will bless the peoples; Love will bless the nations; the Beloved will bless those who invite Love within, who open wide the door and who bless the world with their presence. We call upon the Holy One. May we be guided by the Spirit of Truth who dwells within our hearts! The heavens declare the glory of the Creator; the earth, too, is filled with wonder and gifts of Love. From this time forth and forevermore, we will offer our praise to the LORD, our Source, our Love. (adapted from Psalms 135 and 115)

Choral Worship	“O Love”	Elaine Hagenberg
<i>O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, That in thy ocean depths its flow May richer, fuller be.</i>		

*O Joy that seeks me through the pain, I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain, And feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be.
– George Matheson (1842-1906)*

Scripture Lesson	Jeremiah 7:1-11	Andrew Tonks
page 617 of the Bible in the pew rack		
Pastoral Prayer		
*Children’s Hymn 251		NEUMARK
“If You Will Trust in God to Guide You” (Children, K4 and K5 ages, gather at Come Unto Me Window for Children’s Worship.)		
Sermon	A Nuisance in the Temple	Kyle Matthews

Words of Commitment

*Invitation Hymn 328	MADILL
“Stir Your Church, O God, Creator”	
*Invitation to Offering	Deacon
God, we have known your love and experienced your care and provision. You invite us to extend that love to the world around us – to care for others as deeply as we care for ourselves. Therefore, we bring the needs of our world before you now. We pray for the many who do not have enough: enough food to eat or shelter to keep warm, enough employment or money to pay their bills, enough medicine or medical care. We also pray for those who have more than enough but who still struggle to find meaning and purpose in life, who indulge in dangerous or self-serving activities to dull their pain or loneliness. Your grace reaches out to all of us. Strengthen us to live in a manner worthy of the Good News we have received, offering our lives in service of your kingdom, where the last are first and the first are last, and there is grace enough for all. Receive these gifts we bring and bless them that they may be used to express our love for you by loving our neighbors. Amen.	

Musical Offering	“Tabuh Lengker”	arr. Carla Brazell
Balinese Gamelan Arranged for Handbells		
Introduction of New Members	Carol McEntyre	
Service and Fellowship of the Church	Kyle Matthews	

Words of Blessing

*Doxology	GLORY TO GOD
“Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”	
	
*Benediction	Kyle Matthews
Postlude	<i>Allegro</i> Johann Gottfried Walther (from Concerto in F major after Albinoni)

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