

Will Jordan, Herring Church Music Intern, is our soloist today. Will is a senior Vocal Performance major at Furman University. He is from Peachtree Corners, a suburb of Atlanta, Georgia.

Anneka Zuelke is playing horn today.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given by Beth and David Taylor in loving memory of her parents, Francis and Nilaouise Bonner.



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 prayer of response is adapted from “Litany for Emotional Health” by Fran Pratt, <https://www.franpratt.com/litanies/tag/emotional+health>. Music selections today include: Andante by Georg Goltermann; “Beautiful City” from Godspell by John-Michael Tebelak and Stephen Schwartz; “Psalm 23” by Paul Basler, ©2004 Colla Voce Music, Inc.; and Choral in E by Joseph Jongen. (OneLicense.net #A717474; CCLI #1466252)

Wednesdays@First Schedule

- 4:00-7:00pm YouthFamily@First: Hang Time (AYMC Terrace Level)
- 5:00-6:00pm Supper and Prayer Time (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:30-7:00pm FBGKids@First: Worship Care for Ages 3 & Under (C208, C214)
- 5:45-7:00pm FBGKids@First: K4 & K5 Choir & Making Space Blocks (C302)
- 5:45-7:00pm FBGKids@First: 1st-5th Grade Choir (C303)
- FBGKids@First: Making Space Blocks (C300)
- 6:00-7:00pm Adults@First (MidWeek Classic & Other Adult Education Offerings)
- 7:00-8:30pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Looking Ahead

- Sunday, October 26
- 11:30am-1:00pm First Baptist 101 (C403)
FB101 is a 3-week informational series for visitors, new members, and anyone curious to learn more about FBG’s history and ways to engage.
 - 4:00pm Vocare Rehearsal (Choir Room)
Vocare is our youth choral ensemble for 6th-12th grade students.
 - 5:00-7:00pm LGBTQ & Friends Community Group (Parlor)
All are welcome to support, learn and fellowship with the LGBTQ community in our church.
 - 5:00-7:00pm Sunday Night Live for Youth (AYMC)
6th-12th grade students meet for games, supper and Bible Study.
 - 6:30pm Blessing of the Pets (Labyrinth)
All are invited to bring their pets (on leash, in carrier or aquarium) to be blessed during this service when we honor God’s creation and all God’s creatures.

- Wednesday, October 29
- 7:00am Wednesday Morning Men’s Bible Study (AYMC Terrace Level)
All men of the congregation are invited to study the Revised Common Lectionary weekly passages.
 - Wednesdays@First Activities
Wednesdays@First offers a meal, fellowship and spiritual formation opportunities for all ages. See block for more information.
 - 6:00-7:00pm Adults@First Opportunities
MidWeek Classic: Martyrs of Solidarity: Challenge and Grace for the Church (Fellowship Hall) led by Elizabeth Gandolfo
ABCs of Immigration: Justice for People of Faith (Media Center) led by JustFaith Leaders
Basketball Appreciation with Matt & Myra: How to Improve, Watch and Enjoy (AYMC Gym) led by Myra Moreira & Matt Rollins
Make Your Own Chrismon (AYMC Lobby) led by Kay Hardage

- Sunday, November 2
- Daylight Saving Time Ends
- 10:30am All Saints Sunday Worship Service (Sanctuary) with Proclaimers Michael McEntyre and Laura Ritter, including Communion and Service of Remembrance
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Scan here to support the financial needs of FBG.



Revenue Report	
10/21/2025 YTD:	\$2,073,533
10/31/2024 Actual:	\$2,121,626
10/31/2025 Budget:	\$2,485,000



The Road to Christlike Character

October 26, 2025

Ten Thirty O’Clock

Sunday morning worship service broadcasts:

www.firstbaptistgreenville.com/worship-live/

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Invited to Belong

GreetingAndrew Tonks

Music for CenteringAndanteGeorg Goltermann

Prayer for WorshipAndrew Tonks

Creator God, as a deer pants for flowing streams,
so we long for you. Lead us beside quiet waters
that we may hear your still, small voice.
You are our Constant Companion,
guiding us along our meandering path
with all of its twists and turns.
Form us – and re-form us –
until our character fully reflects yours.
With all of your creation, we sing your praises,
for you alone are worthy of praise. Alleluia! Amen.

*Processional Hymn 1LASST UNS ERFREUEN
“All Creatures of Our God and King”

Welcome to WorshipAndrew Tonks

Invited to Wonder

Gospel ReadingMark 1:40-45Youth Reader
page 813 of the Bible in the pew rack

Pastoral PrayerMary Carol Anderson

*Children’s Hymn 293 “There Is a Balm in Gilead”BALM IN GILEAD
(During the last two stanzas, K4-grade 5 children are invited to come forward.)

Children’s ReflectionMatt Rollins

Solo“Beautiful City”John-Michael Tebelak
(from Godspell)and Stephen Schwartz

(K4/K5 children depart for Worship Care.)

SermonEmotions: Information and FuelCarol McEntyre

Invited to Respond

Moment of Reflection

Prayer of Response

O God, help us to put away what doesn’t serve us –
What doesn’t serve Love or offer forgiveness.
Help us put away falsehood, dishonesty and destructive talk.
Help us put away bitterness, malice and power struggles.
Instead of repressing our anger and other emotions, help us to
examine them.
Help us feel them.... then release what is not helpful.
Help us deal honestly with our emotions, our difficult relationships,
and the pain we’ve experienced.
Help us come clean to it all.
Help us to observe ourselves unflinchingly and to see the truth of
what is.
To that honesty and truth, help us add kindness and forgiveness,
Help us be imitators of you, O God, living in full freedom,
acceptance and love.
In the name of Jesus, Love in action, we pray. Amen.

*Invitation Hymn 190ST. CATHERINE
“Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me”

*Invitation to ShareDeacon

Holy Shepherd, you care for us, providing abundantly all we need,
and call us to love one another, both in spirit and action.

**May these gifts and offerings, given in gratitude, reflect our
trust in your provision and our willingness to love one
another.**

Use them in your work, **that all may walk without fear**
And feast at your table filled with goodness and mercy. Amen.

Musical Offering“Psalm 23”Paul Basler
(from “Songs of Faith”)

Introduction of New MembersCarol McEntyre

Invitation to Engage

Invited to Bless

*Doxology (Hymn 28, Alt. 2)OLD HUNDREDTH

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.***

*BenedictionCarol McEntyre

PostludeChoral in EJoseph Jongen

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

*Please stand as you are able.

Please contact an usher for a hearing aid receiver or magnifying glass.

Please silence all electronic devices.