

*Offertory Hymn 184

Jesus Is All the World to Me

Offertory Prayer

Mike Browder

Offertory

On Heaven's Shore
David Hicks, soloist

Phelps

*The Doxology 253

OLD 100TH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow: Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Choral Message

We Believe

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Message

Dr. Walter Draughon

"Faith Laughs"

Genesis 18:1-15; 21:1-7

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL

*Hymn 282

Living for Jesus

Congregational Blessing and Benediction

Dr. Walter Draughon

Postlude

Postlude in C Major

Piel

**Congregation Stands*

Scripture Reading: Genesis 18:1-15; Pew Bible Pages 15-16

¹ The LORD appeared to Abraham near the great trees of Mamre while he was sitting at the entrance to his tent in the heat of the day. ² Abraham looked up and saw three men standing nearby. When he saw them, he hurried from the entrance of his tent to meet them and bowed low to the ground.

³ He said, "If I have found favor in your eyes, my lord, do not pass your servant by. ⁴ Let a little water be brought, and then you may all wash your feet and rest under this tree. ⁵ Let me get you something to eat, so you can be refreshed and then go on your way—now that you have come to your servant."

"Very well," they answered, "do as you say."

⁶ So Abraham hurried into the tent to Sarah. "Quick," he said, "get three seahs of the finest flour and knead it and bake some bread."

⁷ Then he ran to the herd and selected a choice, tender calf and gave it to a servant, who hurried to prepare it. ⁸ He then brought some curds and milk and the calf that had been prepared, and set these before them. While they ate, he stood near them under a tree.

⁹ "Where is your wife Sarah?" they asked him.

"There, in the tent," he said.

¹⁰ Then one of them said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife will have a son."

Now Sarah was listening at the entrance to the tent, which was behind him. ¹¹ Abraham and Sarah were already very old, and Sarah was past the age of childbearing. ¹² So Sarah laughed to herself as she thought, "After I am worn out and my lord is old, will I now have this pleasure?"

¹³ Then the LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and say, 'Will I really have a child, now that I am old?' ¹⁴ Is anything too hard for the LORD? I will return to you at the appointed time next year, and Sarah will have a son."

¹⁵ Sarah was afraid, so she lied and said, "I did not laugh."

But he said, "Yes, you did laugh."

Genesis 21:-17; Pew Bible Page 19

¹ Now the Lord was gracious to Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did for Sarah what he had promised. ² Sarah became pregnant and bore a son to Abraham in his old age, at the very time God had promised him. ³ Abraham gave the name Isaac to the son Sarah bore him. ⁴ When his son Isaac was eight days old, Abraham circumcised him, as God commanded him. ⁵ Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him.

⁶ Sarah said, "God has brought me laughter, and everyone who hears about this will laugh with me." ⁷ And she added, "Who would have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age."

Announcements

Deacon of the Week:

Mike Browder

- **Cap the Gap** works with Sullivan County Department of Children's Services to seek the help of local sponsors and volunteers to fill the Christmas wish list of every foster child. The deadline for choosing a child is Nov 1. To be a part of this outreach, please contact Bev Bowers at 276-466-8107.
- **Calling All Cooks!!** This year we will be having a chili cook off at our annual Fall Festival. There is a signup sheet in the church office for those who wish to participate. We are also doing a cake walk and will need cake donations. Our Fall Festival will be on Sunday, October 29, from 3-5 p.m. at Steele Creek Park, Shelter G. Come and enjoy fun, games, food, and fellowship.
- **Advent Devotionals** are due by Friday, November 3. You may email them to Freda Watson at fredaj1942@gmail.com or email/turn them into the church office.
- **Operation Christmas Child:** It's not too late for monetary donations to be used to help with rebuilding lives in Texas, Louisiana, and Florida. We will be collecting these donations thru October 29.

*****This Week's Prayer For the Pastor Search Team*****

Scripture Reading: James 1:5-6.

Pray for the search committee to seek God's wisdom as they review resumes and interview pastoral candidates. Pray for church leaders to seek God's wisdom in the interim period.

For the Record October 15, 2017

Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 9,373.00
Giving This Week	\$10,711.00
Giving This Week Last Year	\$4,082.00
Budget Needs to Date	\$380,987.00
Giving to Date	\$371,077.00
Giving to Date Last Year	\$367,403.00
Giving to Date vs. Budget Needs to Date	(\$9,910.00)
Capital Campaign Total Pledged	\$246,914.00
Capital Campaign- Giving to Date	\$142,578.00

Extended Session for October 29

Babies During Church
Linda Sprouse and Abbie Chandler
Twos-Fives
Matt and Tammy Chandler
Elementary-Aged Sunday School
Tabetha Palumbo and Emma Crussell
Elementary-Aged Children's Church
Tabetha Palumbo and Emma Crussell

We Invite You to Join our Church

- By coming forward at the invitation time following the sermon or
-By indicating your desire to join in the box provided below

- I would like to become a member of this church. (The pastor will contact you and answer any questions. He will also arrange the announcement of your desire for membership in a future service.)

Ways to become a member of our church

- By profession of faith in Christ and Baptism
 By transfer of your membership from another Baptist Church
 By statement of faith in Christ and previous Baptism

Our church welcomes all who would be a part of our faith family.

Calendar

Wednesday, October 25

Dinner: Lasagna, green salad, garlic bread, apple cobbler w/ice cream 5 p.m.
Light Meal: Chicken Caesar salad
Prayer & Bible Study 6 p.m.
Children/Youth Activities 6-6:50 p.m.

Sunday, October 29

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.

Wednesday, November 1

Dinner: Chili, cornbread, salad, apple cobbler 5 p.m.
Light Meal: Turkey chili, salad
Prayer & Bible Study 6 p.m.
Children/Youth Activities 6-6:50 p.m.

Friday, November 3

Advent Devotionals Due

Sunday, November 5

Family Breakfast 9 a.m.
"Current Events Sunday School Class" in the Chapel 9:45 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.

Welcome to FBC!

Thanks for joining our worship today! Please take a moment to fill out the registration form below as we value your time with us. Detach the form and place it in the offering plate when it is passed, or give it to a greeter or minister.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Apt. #: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email address: _____

This is your **Date:** _____

- First time to attend
- Attend often

Age Range or School Grade of Family Members (please circle):

26-32 33-42 43-54 55 & up
Pre-K K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 College

- Would you like to receive more information about FBC?
- Would you like a visit from one of our ministers?

Prayer Requests: _____

Welcome

We gladly welcome you to worship, and we pray that this service will be a time in which you experience the presence of the risen Christ.



Several portable audio headsets are available for use. These FM units allow you to receive sound directly from the speaker's microphone with clarity.

Children

While children are certainly welcome to sit with their parents in the service, childcare is provided for children ages birth through kindergarten. For elementary-age children, there is a designated time for children to come to the front of the sanctuary and listen to a children's message. Then they will have the option to go with Ben for "Children's Time," a program of worship/learning activities, or remain in the worship service with their family.

Also, children's activity sheets are available for all children who remain in the sanctuary. Just pick up a clipboard with the "Kids Bulletin" and pencil from the basket in the sanctuary foyer. When your child finishes the activity sheet, remove it, and return the clipboard to the foyer.

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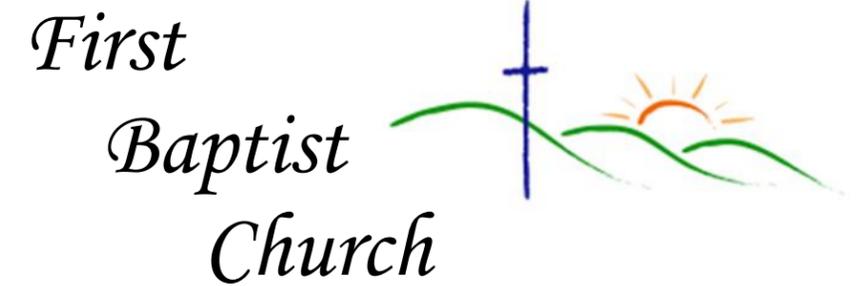
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To contact the church office or one of the ministers via email use the following email address: office@fbcbristol.org



October 22, 2017 11 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude *Praise Him! Praise Him!* Allen

Welcome to Worship Ben Ondrak

*Song of Welcome *Holy Ground*

*We are standing on holy ground,
And I know that there are angels all around.
Let us praise Jesus now.
We are standing in His presence on holy ground.*

Invocation & The Lord's Prayer Ben Ondrak

*Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil;
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.*

WE PRAISE GOD!

*Hymn 2 *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Children's Time

Scripture Reading Mike Browder

Pastoral Prayer Dr. Walter Draughon