

# The Worship of the Lord

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 23, 2023

Gathering Music

Chiming of the Trinity

*(Worship begins with the Voluntary. Please use this time to enjoy the sacred music and to prepare your heart and mind for an encounter with God.)*

Voluntary

*Shall We Gather at the River*

Karen Sawyer

arr. Robert Lory

Greeting & Announcements

Brenda Viverette

Old Testament Reading: 1 Kings 3:5-12

Blaine Pittman

Call to Worship

Taylor Long

Give thanks to God and call on His name.  
Make known God's deeds among the people.  
Seek His presence and strength.  
Sing aloud His praises that all may hear!  
Let us worship our God who is always near.

\*Hymn of Praise

*(621) Lead On, O King Eternal*

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Psalter Reading: Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24

Mrs. Viverette

An Invocation & The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name.  
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done,  
On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.*

\*Offertory Hymn

*(338) How Firm a Foundation*

FOUNDATION

\*Offertory Prayer

*(Offering plates are placed in the Narthex where you may give as you feel led.)*

Mike Page

\*Doxology

OLD 100TH

A Time with Children

*(Afterwards, preschool-3rd grade are invited to Children's Church.)*

Rosemarie Evans

Congregational Chorus

*(499) Open Our Eyes, Lord*

OPEN OUR EYES

Joys/Concerns of the Community

Pam Bass

Gospel Reading: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Ms. Long

A Call to Prayer

When we are not sure how to pray,  
or if we are even able to address God in prayer,  
the Spirit intercedes for us  
with sighs too deep for words.  
Know that no matter what, nothing,  
absolutely nothing can ever separate us  
from God's presence and His love.  
Think on this as we pray . . .

Pastoral Prayer

Worship Through Music

Susan Frazier and Blaine Pittman

*The Prayer*

arr. Tom Fettke

Sharing in God's Word

Ms. Long

***Just Listen, Just Look***

Emphasis Text: Genesis 28:10-19a

\*Hymn of Commitment

*(478) Seek Ye First*

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\*Expressions of Decisions

\*Sending Forth

\*Chiming of the Trinity

Postlude

*The Church Is One Foundation*

Clyde Patterson

arr. Janet Linker

*\*Congregation stands, who are able*

All scripture readings are from *The Holy Bible, New Revised Standard Version.*

**About our Guest Speaker:** Taylor Long was born and raised in Clayton, NC, but claims Buies Creek as home. Taylor graduated from Campbell University with a degree in Christian Studies in May of 2022. Following graduation, she started Divinity school at Campbell University and is pursuing a Master's of Divinity degree. Her pursuit of theological education comes from her desire to live into her calling to "journey with people as they explore who they are and how God is at work in the world and in their lives." While in school, Taylor works at Campbell University in the Office of Spiritual Life as a graduate intern for pilgrimage and retreats where she leads students in the practice of pilgrimage as a means of spiritual formation and personal exploration. In her free time Taylor enjoys going on walks, getting a good cup of coffee, and gardening.

## **The Ministry of Worship**

Taylor Long, Guest Speaker

Blaine Pittman, Director of Music and Education

Karen Sawyer, Church Musician

Clyde Patterson, Church Organist

## **Today**

**Deacons:** Brenda Viverette & Mike Page

**Children's Church:** Ashley Winstead

**Toddlers:** Carol Gay

## **2023 Financial Summary for 29 Weeks**

Financial information is not shared online.

## **TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS**

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary to the glory of God by Rossie and Margaret Williams to thank our Lord for blessing our marriage as we celebrate our upcoming 50th wedding anniversary.



**Member Prayer Request:**

Tim Bartholomew	Sarah Hinton	Dot Morris
Martha Crowell	Eric Jeffreys	Donald Parker
Doodle Daniels	Sue Jenkins	Family of Melba White
Weedie Hayes	Mike Martin	

**Prayer On Behalf of Members:**

Harrison Barnett	John Chamblee	Linda Keen
Gail Bunting	Debbie Edwards	J.R. McPherson
Gerald Butler	Linda Frazier	Maryanne Davis Powell
Pam Butler	Rudy Frazier	Family of Kathy Shumate Smith
John Byrd	Pam Gaul	Edith Skinner
Veda Byrd	John Grischow	Carl & Kathy Smith
Brenda Caldwell	Gerald Hale	Glenda Wright
Faye Carter	Edward Jones, Jr.	Trudy Womack

*In an effort to keep our prayer list current, we will place names on the prayer list for a two week period. If you wish for a name to remain longer than two weeks, please contact the church office.*

**Nan Strickland Flower Ministry to Homebound:**

Donations to this ongoing ministry should be designated as Missions/Flower Ministry.

The next opportunity to assist with flower arranging and delivery is **Friday, July 28, 2023 at 10 a.m.** in the fellowship hall.

**Homebound & Nursing Home Ministry:**

Wilbur Batchelor	Weedie Hayes	Dot Morris
Patsy Carty	Beulah Hudson	Donald Parker
Martha Crowell	Annie Jackson	Pat Parker
Doris Fisher	Bill Joyner	Edith Skinner
	June Joyner	

**Card Ministry to the Homebound:**

Each week, we rotate the names of two homebound members as part of our Card Ministry Outreach. Please consider sending a card or handwritten note to the following two members:

**June Joyner**

**Donald Parker**

We appreciate you reaching out to members who are no longer able to worship with us in person!



**NBC Office Hours for July 24 - 27**

Monday, July 24: 9-11 a.m.  
 Tuesday, July 25: 9-10 a.m.  
 Wednesday, July 26: 9-10 a.m.  
 Thursday, July 27: closed

Your family deacon or Blaine Pittman is available if any need arises.





**Volunteers are needed! That means YOU!**

Volunteers are needed to be hosts for NBC while people from our community and ARC workers are at NBC. You welcome donors, are available to answer questions about the church, and give out snacks.

**Tuesday, August 15, 2023**  
 Available shifts: 12:30-7 p.m.  
 A sign-up sheet is in the Fellowship Hall.

**Purchase a Pixel**



Purchase a Pixel Fundraiser  
 Pixels are available for \$50 each.  
 You may designate pixels in honor or memory of a person/couple.

Forms are available next to the AV Table and the Fellowship Hall.

Volunteers Needed

**Summer Fellowship & Devotional**

During the summer months, join us for a time of fellowship followed by a devotion led by different NBC members at 9 am in the Fellowship Hall.

Contact Blaine - [blaine@nashvillebaptistchurch.org](mailto:blaine@nashvillebaptistchurch.org) - to volunteer.  
 (Devotional material will be provided.)

Volunteers Needed



If you would be interested in resuming Women on Mission at NBC, please contact Jane Hedgepeth.

God's mission. Our passion.



*Item of the Month*

**July**

**Peanut butter, jelly & saltines**





**Just Listen, Just Look**