

**THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST TRYON**

Sunday, July 23	10:00	am	Worship
Monday, July 24	1:00	pm	Staff Meeting
	6:00	pm	Capital Campaign—Rock House
Tuesday, July 25	7:00	pm	VBS meeting—Rock House
Sunday, July 30	10:00	am	Worship, Lord's Supper
	11:00	am	Quarterly Church Conference

**Acolytes for today's service** are Laney Littlefield and Luke Miller.

**During the month of July, worship will be at 10am, and there will be no Sunday School.**

**So, You're a Baptist? (or Weaving Together a People)**

**July 23**—We Make Our Own Rules  
(or Let's Use Our Strengths to Make a Difference)

**July 30**—Baptism and The Lord's Supper  
(or Why They're More Important Than We Think)

**A memorial service for Georgie Hawkins** will be at 3pm today, at McFarland's Funeral Home. Visitation is from 2pm until 2:45pm.

**Lord's Supper, Quarterly Church Conference**—We'll celebrate The Lord's Supper next Sunday, July 30. After worship, we will move into a short quarterly conference, for the purpose of voting on a bylaw change that was mailed to you last week. If you did not receive the mailing, there are copies in the front pew of the sanctuary.

**Fifth Sunday**—July 30 is a Fifth Sunday, where we receive the "I Love My Church" offering.

**Vacation Bible School is August 7-10, from 9am-12pm**  
A note from Mona Kimble—There are still several jobs to fill for VBS. We really need people to escort a group of children from one activity to another. If you are able to help us, please sign up on the board in the hall. VBS runs from Aug 7-10, 9am - 12 pm. We have our next organizational meeting on Tuesday, July 25 at 7 pm at the Rock house.

**Worship CDs**—If you have missed a Sunday service, and want to hear the great music and wonderful message, a CD of the service is available in the church library. Please sign and date the card, and return CD the following week.

<b>July 16, 2017</b>			
Weekly Ministry Plan Giving	\$ 5,316	CBF Global	\$ 25
Weekly Ministry Plan Goal	\$ 6,830	Food Pantry	\$ 486
YTD Ministry Plan Giving	\$ 194,317	Love Offering	\$ 75
YTD Ministry Plan Goal	\$ 198,070	Bereavement	\$ 510

**Welcome! We are grateful to worship with you today.** If you are a guest, we hope you will experience God's love through our worship and among our congregation. If this is your first time with us, please complete a welcome card, which can be found in the pew pocket, and place it in the offering plate later in worship. As you exit, we have a small gift to offer you in appreciation of your presence.

**Nursery Care** is provided for children from birth to three years during Worship and Sunday School.

**Children, ages 4-Kindergarten**, may remain in worship or may exit after the Children's Time for a special time of worship and play. Parents may join them, or stay for the remainder of worship.

**Hearing devices are available in the Narthex.**

**Baskets for recycling bulletins are at the church exits.**

**July Mission—Christmas Mission Offering**

**"Christmas in July" is our monthly mission focus.** During the month of July, we'll collect for CBF Global Missions and the Lottie Moon Christmas offering. Offering envelopes for this mission should be in your offering envelope boxes. There are also envelopes at the sanctuary entrances. Thank you for your donations!

**OFFERING - JULY**

Phil Scoggins—Lead Deacon, Sandra Frady  
Franklin Williams, Susan Smith, Ellis Fincher Jr.

**GREETERS—JULY**

Stephen Morris & Ashlyn Green—Front  
Rena Waldman—Hall  
Joyce Scoggins—Side

**DIACONATE**

Elizabeth Burrell, Chair, Phil Scoggins, Vice-Chair,  
Ellis Fincher, Ron Frady, Danny Fox, Susan Smith,  
Phil Feagan, Keith Collins, Sadie McKaig

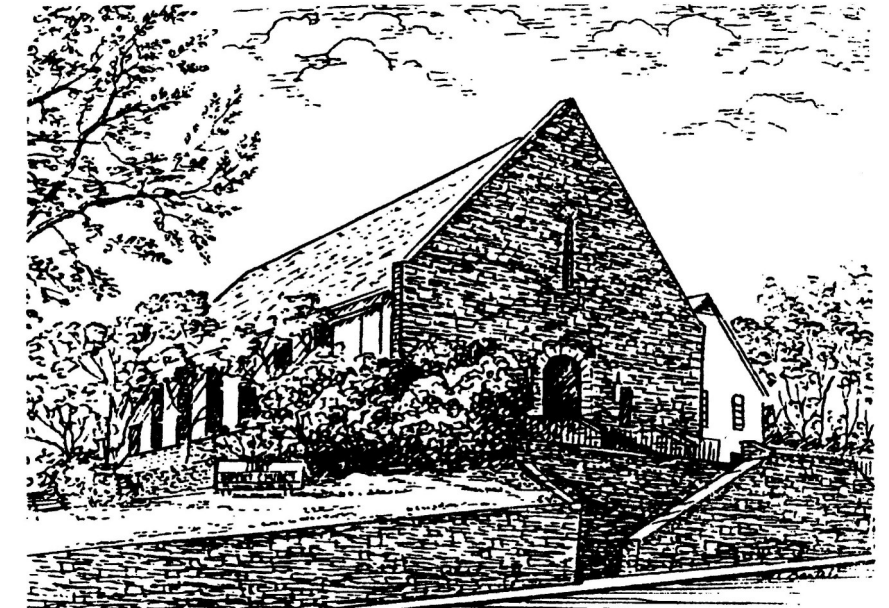
**CHURCH STAFF**

The Reverend Dr. Jeff C. Harris, Pastor  
The Reverend Jim Hawkins, Minister of Music  
Jaime Fitzgerald, Minister to Youth  
Kay Greene, Pianist  
E. Leslie Raymond, Organist  
John Spinks, Sexton

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July 23, 2017

Ten O'clock in the Morning

"So, You're a Baptist. . ."

"The church is her true self only when she exists for humanity." -Dietrich Bonhoeffer

# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH AT WORSHIP

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 23, 2017 Ten O'clock

## GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Music for Gathering Kay Greene

Ringing of the Hour

Prelude -Lloyd Larson  
*They'll Know We Are Christians*

**Call to Worship** (by Leslie Ruth Popper) Jaime Fitzgerald  
God, we come to you from different places.  
**We have birthed children, lost jobs, fallen in love, wrestled with our fears, packed our bags. We have come looking for you, and your Spirit meets us, welcoming us just as we are.**  
God, we come to you bringing different things.  
**We bring our questions, doubts, joys, suspicions, and gifts. We have come needing you in diverse ways, and your Spirit meets us, welcoming us just as we are.**  
God, we have come to you as different people.  
**We are lawyers, parents, students, musicians, Star Trek aficionados, and baby-bird foster-fathers. We bring our whole selves to this place and your Spirit meets us, welcoming us just as we are.**

†Hymn 42 FOREST GREEN  
*I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

†Invocation Phil Scoggins

†Passing the Peace Jaime Fitzgerald  
The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

**Children's Time** Jim Hawkins  
(Kindergartners and preschoolers may leave for Children's Church after the Children's Time)

## LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

**Psalm 133** Jim Hawkins  
How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!  
**It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes.**  
It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion.  
**For there the lord ordained his blessing, life forevermore.**

†Hymn 244 IVERSON  
*Spirit of the Living God*

**Romans 12:1-8** Jim Hawkins, Jaime Fitzgerald

**Acts 2:43-47 (p. 115)** Malik Miller

**Anthem** -Craig Courtney  
*Secure*

**Sermon** "We Make Our Own Rules" Jaime Fitzgerald  
(or Let's Use Our Strengths to Make a Difference)

## RESPONDING IN FAITH

†Hymn ST. BRENDAN'S  
*They'll Know We Are Christians*

*We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,  
we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,  
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

*We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,  
we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,  
and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

*We will work with each other, we will walk hand in hand,  
we will work with each other, we will work side by side,  
and we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride:  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

*All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,  
And all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,  
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

(Those making decisions of faith, renewals of faith, or desiring to unite with our church through membership, may come forward at this time.)

†Offertory Prayer Rachel Hawkins

**Offering and Meditation** -arr. Cindy Berry  
*I Am His, and He Is Mine*

†Doxology 253, *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*  
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

**Prayers of the People** Jaime Fitzgerald

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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

†Opportunities for Service Jaime Fitzgerald

†Benediction Jaime Fitzgerald

†Congregational Response AUSTRIAN HYMN  
*We Are Called to Be God's People*  
*We are called to be God's people, showing by our lives His grace,  
Let us share our life together as we shall around his throne.*

†Postlude -arr. Benjamin Culli  
*Christ Is Our Cornerstone*