

The flowers in worship today are given to the glory of God and in memory of Anita and H. G. Buddy Wilkie by their family with love and thanksgiving.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

FOREST CITY, NC

OCTOBER 11, 2026 – ELEVEN O'CLOCK

All are Welcomed. Questions are Embraced. Wounds are Healed. Lives are Changed.

Music for Meditation

Nan Burrell

Welcome to Worship

Debbie Bound

First Baptist Church 178th Anniversary Church History Ministry Team

Call to Worship

Debbie Bound

Leader: God calls us to worship not just with words, but with our whole lives.

People: Let our hearts be broken open for the world.

Leader: God invites us to share our bread with the hungry and offer shelter to the weary.

People: In loving our neighbors, we love and serve our Creator.

Leader: Come, let us worship the God of mercy and justice.

All: Let us praise the Lord together!

Hymn 20

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

ODE TO JOY

Morning Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Rev. Justin Mofield

Glori Patri (805)

A Hymn of Praise to the Trinity

GREATOREX

***Glory Be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.***

Offertory Hymn 429

Let Your Heart Be Broken

WYE VALLEY

Offertory Prayer

Ezra Etheridge

Leader: Heavenly Father, We bring our gifts to you today remembering those who are currently facing hardship and lack.

People: **We ask that you take these offerings and multiply them to provide food, shelter, comfort, and hope to those in greatest need within our community and beyond.**

Leader: As we give, remind us to share not only our resources but also your love and compassion with everyone we meet.

People: **We dedicate these gifts to your service. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

Offertory

Prayer for Our Time

Sanctuary Choir

Words: John Masterman, Arrangement: Hal Hopson

*Almighty Father Who does give the gift of life to all who live.
Look down on all earth's wrong and strife, and lift us to a nobler life.
Lift up our hearts, O King of Kings, to brighter hopes and kindler things.
To visions high of a larger good. And holier dreams of brotherhood.
Your world is weary of its pain: of selfish greed and fruitless gain;
of tarnished honor, falsely strong, and all its ancient deed of wrong.
O hear the prayer your people pray uprising from all lands today.
And o'er the vanquished pow'r of sin, O bring your great salvation in.*

Dedication of Offerings

OLD HUNDREDTH

Doxology

***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***

Hymn 516

Be Still and Know

BE STILL AND KNOW

Sermon

Pay Attention to Those in Need
Matthew 10:46-52

Rev. Garin Hill

Hymn

The Servant Song

BEACH SPRING

Benjamin Franklin White | James H. Wood | Richard Gillard

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Brother let me be your servant

Let me be as Christ to you

Pray that I might have the grace to

Let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey

We are brothers on the road

We are here to help each other

Walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you

In the nighttime of your fear

I will hold my hand out to you

Speak the peace you long to hear

I will weep when you are weeping

When you laugh I'll laugh with you

I will share your joy and sorrow

Till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven

We shall find such harmony

Born of all we've known together

Of Christ's love and agony

Brother sister let me serve you

Let me be as Christ to you

Pray that I may have the grace to

Let you be my servant too

Benediction

Rev. Garin Hill

JOINING MEMBER WELCOME

In response to your decision, we pledge ourselves to be the family of God for you in this place. We offer you our comfort, our care, our kinship, and our love. We hope to learn from you, give to you, and live in community with you through God's grace.

178TH ANNIVERSARY SPOTLIGHT

NOTABLE WOMEN OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH



MARY STRINGFIELD OATES

Excerpt from the FBC bulletin - January 17, 1954:

Mrs. Phil Oates has been unanimously elected as the Music Director of our Church. She assumed her responsibilities Monday of this week and is now in charge of all our choirs. Mrs. Oates comes most highly recommended and is well qualified to direct the Music Program of our Church. We urge all members of all Choirs to support her with your prayers and your active participation in the choir of your age group.



ALVA MARCHMAN

Mrs. Alva Marchman actively served in the Women's Missionary Union at our church, as well as at the local, state and regional levels.

Mrs. Marchman participated in the WMU's 1988 Tour of Lottie Moon's China, in celebration of the Lottie Moon Christmas offering. The tour included visiting villages where Lottie Moon served as a missionary. She also traveled on missionary trips to Bermuda, Chili, Guadeloupe, Ecuador, Guatemala and Germany. She and her husband, Jim Marchman, were actively involved in foreign missions for years.



ATTIE BOSTICK LEAGUE

Attie Bostick League was the granddaughter of John Bostick, in whose home our church was organized. She earned her BA at Judson College in 1898. Attie was a missionary to China from 1900 to 1943. She married J.T. League in 1947.

Mrs. League was buried in the Chinese robe she often wore while making talks about missions. Her Bible was placed in her hands. It was well worn, as she had read through her Bible 91 times.

She donated her eyes to the NC Eye Bank, "so others might see and read the Bible"