

# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

## FOREST CITY, NC



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

Music for Meditation Nan Thompson

Welcome to Worship Debbie Bound

Hymn 316 *For Your Holy Book We Thank You* IRBY

Morning Prayer & Lord's Prayer Rev. Justin Mofield

Gloria 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.***

Children's Time Ashley Day

Reading 314 *Concerning the Scriptures* Rev. Diane Nelson

Hymn 315 *Break Thou the Bread of Life* BREAD OF LIFE  
Verse 1 – Solo  
Verse 2 – Choir  
Verse 3 & 4 - Congregation

Offertory Prayer Charles Day

Leader: Heavenly Father,  
may the offerings brought this day be used as seeds,  
planted faithfully and nurtured lovingly  
so that God's way may be realized anew in this world.

**People: Grant us the humility we need  
to plant and then tend your precious garden.  
Amen.**

Offertory *Be Thou My Vision* Phillip Greene  
Arr. Matt Limbaugh

Anthem

*Think on These Things*

Sanctuary Choir

Inspired by Philippians 4:4-9

Mark Patterson

*Whatever is pure, whatever is true, whatever is noble and just and good,  
think on these things, live by these things,  
and the God of peace will be with you.  
When the cares of life confound you,  
when the storms of doubt sweep in,  
turn to God with all things in prayer,  
and a peace beyond all knowing will guard you and guide you.*

Sermon

Love that Serves  
by Opening the Scriptures  
2 Timothy 3:14-17

Rev. Garin Hill

Hymn of Dedication 557

*Open My Eyes, That I May See*

SCOTT

Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Garin Hill

Leader: Dear Heavenly Father, we come before you with grateful hearts, lifting up all those who teach.

**People: Thank you for their dedication, patience, and unwavering commitment to nurturing our faith. Bless them abundantly for their selfless service.**

Leader: Lord, grant them wisdom and discernment as they prepare lessons that inspire and enlighten.

**People: Fill them with your Holy Spirit, so they may teach with love, compassion, and clarity. May their words plant seeds of faith that grow and flourish.**

Leader: Shield them from weariness and discouragement.

**People: Strengthen their spirits and renew their energy, so they may continue to serve joyfully. May we be a supportive fellowship that uplifts and encourages them in their ministry.**

Leader: Father, may their efforts bear fruit.

**People: May they lead us to a deeper understanding of your love and grace. We entrust them into Your loving care, knowing that you will guide and sustain them. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

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.*

## EVERY MEMBER IS A MINISTER

Ms. Debbie Bound, Minister of Senior Adults

Mr. Phillip Greene, Organist

Mrs. Kelly Hall, Children's Minister

Rev. Dr. Garin Hill, Pastor

Mrs. Rachel Knobil, Pianist

Mrs. Laura Link, Office Administrator

Mr. Johnny McDonald, Groundskeeper

Rev. Justin Mofield, Associate Pastor of Congregational Engagement & Youth

Rev. Dr. Diane Nelson, Associate Pastor of Music

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