

WORSHIP NOTES

We welcome guests worshipping with us. We are very glad you have joined us for this experience.

To learn more about the life and ministry of First Baptist Church of Asheville, guests are invited to visit fbca.net. There you will find contact information for the church and ministerial staff. Please feel free to be in touch with any questions or needs you might have. We want to know you and share more about this congregation with you.

The season of Pentecost is a time when followers of Jesus celebrate the ministry of the church in the world. The color green represents the growth which results from this ministry.

Leaders in worship include Kate Campbell, singer/songwriter, concert and recording artist. Leading music is Jennifer Rayburn, a member of FBCA's Adult Choir. Deborah Kloos is the deacon of the week, and preaching is Tim Owings, former pastor and member of FBCA.

Cover art is

You may view today's and past sanctuary worship services at fbca.net on the *Video* page accessed through the *Worship* tab. Audio files of sermons are available on our website, and sermons on CD may be ordered through the church office.



MINISTRY LEADERS

Mr. Tate Addis	Organist
Rev. David Blackmon	Coordinating Pastor
Dr. Tommy Bratton	Minister of Christian Formation
Rev. Leah Brown	Minister with Senior Adults
Dr. Casey Callahan	Minister with Students
Dr. Mack Dennis	Pastor
Rev. Clark Sorrells	Minister of Music
Rev. Karen Sorrells	Associate Minister of Music
Rev. Amy Stertz	Minister with Children and Families

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
First Baptist Church of Asheville



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ASHEVILLE

July 25, 2021 10:00 a.m.
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

TRINITY CHIME

PRAISING GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

Kate Campbell, vocalist/guitarist

*HYMN OF PRAISE 33 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* CWM RHONDDA

*INVOCATION Jennifer Rayburn

Great and Guiding God, today we lift our hearts to you in one voice as we pray,
We praise you name, O Lord, and seek to follow you every day.
You know our needs even before we ask you,
and trusting you, we know all of our sustenance you provide.
Help us to share your abundant goodness with others,
as you feed us with the bread of heaven until we want no more,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

SEEKING GOD

PRAYING THE PSALMS

Psalm 14

Fools say in their hearts, "There is no God."

They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds; there is no one who does good.

The Lord looks down from heaven on humankind
to see if there are any who are wise, who seek after God.

They have all gone astray, they are all alike perverse;
there is no one who does good, no, not one.

Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers who eat up my people
as they eat bread, and do not call upon the Lord?

There they shall be in great terror, for God is with the company of the righteous.

You would confound the plans of the poor, but the Lord is their refuge.

O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion!

When the Lord restores the fortunes of his people,
Jacob will rejoice; Israel will be glad.

MEDITATION

Kate Campbell, vocalist/guitarist

SHARING GOD

*SHARING PEACE

David Blackmon

*HYMN OF ASSURANCE 619

Blessed Assurance

ASSURANCE

PROCLAIMING GOD

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 7:7-12

Deborah Kloos

This is the word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Kate Campbell, vocalist/guitarist

SERMON

Stones for Bread

Tim Owings

SERVING GOD

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 274 *As Grain on Scattered Hillsides* MERLE'S TUNE

As this hymn is sung, anyone who wishes to join the church may come forward
to the altar table and speak with the minister waiting there to greet you.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONTINUED SERVICE

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on CWM RHONDDA

Paul Manz

*BENEDICTION

*Those who are able will stand.