

"The Road to Jerusalem," Robert Rosenberg

First Baptist Church

Greensboro, North Carolina gathers for

The Worship of God

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost August 10, 2025

Steeple Bells 10:30 a.m.

Prelude Landry Duvall *organ* "Prelude" Johann Krieger

Lighting of the Christ Candle Evy Wall

Opening of the Bible Evie Crandall

Gathering Rev. Alan Sherouse
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

†Call to Worship James Dolph acting youth minister

"Do not be afraid, little flock," says Jesus, for it is God's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

We come with open hands and expectant hearts.

We come with open hands and expectant hearts, trusting in a love that never fails, and a promise that never fades.

Where the world clings to scarcity, we choose generosity. Where fear tempts us to retreat, we seek courage to act.

We bring our gifts: our time, our skills, our treasures; not to store up for ourselves, but to serve and to share.

Let us stay awake to God's presence, alert to beauty, ready for justice, clothed in love.

Come, giver of every good gift - grant us wisdom, grant us courage, to live as the people of God, awake and unafraid.

†Hymn No. 669

"God of Grace and God of Glory" CWM RHONDDA

†Passing of the Peace James Dolph

May the Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

†Sung Acclamation "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me" GLORY TO GOD



Life of the Community Tyler Smith pastoral intern

Time for Children Laura Wall

†Hymn No. 532

"Be Thou My Vision" SLANE

Prayers of God's People Rev. Courtney Willis

Scripture Lesson Tyler Smith Luke 12:32-40

Sermon Rev. Sherouse †Hymn No. 568

"Take My Life" HENDON

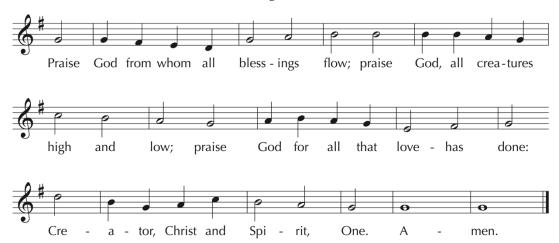
If you would like to become a member of this congregation, you are invited to speak to a pastor at this time.

Stewardship Prayer Thom Little deacon

Offertory Summer Handbells
"Ring Praise, O My Soul" Margaret Tucker

†Response

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" OLD HUNDREDTH



†Benediction Rev. Sherouse

†Postlude Landry Duvall organ "March" George Fredrick Handel

OUTDOOR WORSHIP AND POTLUCK | Sunday, August 17 | 9:30 am

Next Sunday morning we will have worship under the shade of the trees at our outdoor chapel. After our service, we will enjoy a potluck meal on the lawn with the church providing the main dish and drinks. Be sure to bring a favorite side to share! We look forward to being together in worship and community.

FBCYOUTH DAY AT WET 'N WILD | August 12 | 10 am - 3 pm

Youth are invited to a summer fun fulled day at Wet 'n Wild! Please meet James at the front gate at 10 am and get picked up at the exact same spot at 3 pm. The cost is \$40 for the full day. Bring extra money for food, sunscreen, and your best cannonballs! All youth and rising 6th graders welcome! Register at fbcgso.org/youth or scan the QR code.

TRAIL TUESDAYS | 7 am on August 12, 26 & September 9, 23

Our next Trail Tuesdays is Tuesday, August 12! We are heading to Laurel Bluff Trail Part I (5337 Church Street, same parking as the Crockett Trail). This a harder trail! Be sure to check out all trails at: fbcgso.org/trail-tuesdays-2025 or scan the QR code. Talk to Courtney Willis (courtney@fbcgso.org) if you have any questions.



STORYTIME AT THE FBC LIBRARY | Tuesdays at 1 pm in August

Join us for Story Time at the FBC Library! Every Tuesday at 1 pm through August, children and their families are invited to enjoy a fun afternoon of read-aloud stories. Story Time takes place in our Children's Library, located on the second floor just around the corner from the main library. It's the perfect midweek adventure to keep cool this summer.

LUNCH AND PRAY | Noon on Wednesdays, August 13, 27

At noon on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of August, all are invited bring a bag lunch to eat together under the shade of the trees on the lawn. We will spend time praying for the needs of the church and learn more about our faith through different activities and speakers this summer.

SANCTUARY CHOIR REHEARSALS RESUME | Wednesday, August 13 at 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir rehearsals are starting back up, and now is a great time to join! We will sing in worship on Sunday, August 24. Come enjoy the fellowship, fun, and the joy of making music together. All are welcome! Have questions or want to learn more? Connect with Landry Duvall (landry@fbcgso.org).

FBC RIDES THE VIRGINIA CREEPER TRAIL | Saturday, August 16

Meet in Damascus, Virginia on Saturday morning to ride the lower portion of the famous Virginia Creeper Trail. We will be shuttled from Damascus to Abingdon, VA, and then ride back to Damascus before departing for home. Most levels of physical fitness can participate in this ride that is mostly flat or downhill. Learn more and sign up at: fbcgso.org/fbc-fun-2025



LUNCH & LEARN | Monday, September 8 | 12 pm

Save the date! The Senior Adult Council is pleased to present the first of our fall Lunch & Learns. Our speaker will be David Haynes, sharing his personal life story of hope and encouragement entitled "Servanthood, Investing in the Lives of Others". Sign up now to reserve your lunch for \$10/person at: fbcgso.org/senior-adults or scan the QR code. Registrations are due by September 3. All are welcome! If you have any questions, contact Margaret Crawford (mimicraw@gmail.com).



RAMP-A-THON | September 12-13

Join us for Ramp-a-Thon this Fall! Ramp-a-Thon is a yearlong ramp building effort through Community Housing Solutions to restore access to families with mobility needs. These ramps help restore hope and dignity and allow individuals to live independently. We are looking for 4-8 volunteers ages 14+ for each day. Sign-up to be a part at: fbcgso.org/ramp-a-thon-2025





Our Covenant of Concerns prayer list is available at all times at: fbcgso.org/prayerlist or you may scan the QR code.

PASTORAL STAFF

ALAN SHEROUSE, SENIOR PASTOR

CHRIS CHERRY, YOUTH & FAMILIES* LANDRY DUVALL, MUSIC & WORSHIP AMY STARR RUSSELL, CHILDREN & FAMILIES COURTNEY WILLIS, FORMATION & CARE

*Chris Cherry is on Sabbatical through September 28

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We are collecting school supplies for our mission partner, New Arrivals Institute. All are welcome to bring donations to the box marked in the atrium until Friday, August 22 or bring them with you to worship on August 24, Back to School Sunday.

School Supply Items we are collecting are:

Crayons

Colored pencils

Markers

#2 pencils

Pencil sharpeners

Pens

Rulers

Boxes of tissue

Spiral notebooks

Composition notebooks

Pocket folders

Scissors

Glue sticks



