

The Church at Worship

November 12, 2017

The Chiming of the Hour

The Welcome Rev. Josh Hughes

The Invocation Rev. Hughes

The Prelude “Ash Grove”
Handbell Choir Morris

*The Call to Worship

Leader: God is in His holy temple. Be ready to open your hearts and spirits to God.

People: [singing] Stand up and bless the Lord, ye people of His choice; stand up and bless the Lord your God with heart and soul and voice.

Leader: God is with us and calls us to His holy hour.

People: We come rejoicing and praising God.

Leader: This day, let service to God be our choice.

People: [singing] God is our strength and song, and His salvation ours; then be His love in Christ proclaimed with all our ransomed prayers.

Leader: Prepare us, Lord, to receive your love.

*The Hymn of Praise 247 “Come Thou Almighty King” ITALIAN HYMN
(The Children come forward for the Children’s Sermon)

The Children’s Sermon Becca Lawing

Ingathering of Faith Promises to the Great Commission Challenge

*The New Testament Lesson Matthew 25:1-13 (page 1540)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Ministry of Prayer Rev. Hughes

*The Offertory Hymn 613 “The Servant Song” BEACH SPRING

*The Offertory Prayer Elisabeth Winkler, Deacon

The Offertory Music “He Leadeth Me”
Handbell Choir Sherman

*The Doxology OLD 100TH

**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.**

*The Old Testament Lesson Amos 5:18-24 (page 1426)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Anthem “Sacred Harp Suite” McDonald
(The Congregation joining the choir.)

Here I raise mine Ebenezer, hither by Thy help I’m come; and I hope by Thy good pleasure safely to arrive at home. I am bound for the kingdom. Will you go to glory with me? Hallelujah, praise the Lord.

The Sermon “What God Wants from Us” Rev. Hughes

*Hymn of Invitation 601 “Teach Me, O Lord, I Pray” DIADEMATA

*The Benediction Rev. Hughes

May the road rise to meet you. May the wind always be at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face. May the rains fall soft upon your fields,
And until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

*The Congregation Singing (tune: "Stand Up and Bless the Lord")

**"Go forth and bless the Lord, the Lord your God adore;
Go forth and bless His glorious name, henceforth for evermore."**

*The Postlude

Organist: Todd Wright

(*Congregation Standing)

Acolyte: Andrew Martin

Alternate: Haylie Hart

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today in honor of Joyce Lawing's birthday by Laurie & Gary Clawson, Hal & Becca Lawing, Leslie & Jamie Gallagher, and families.

Sunday, November 12, 2017

To Our Guests:

Thank you for strengthening us with your presence this morning. It is our deep desire that you experience true worship with us. Please fill out a guest card located in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate so that we may connect with you this week.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

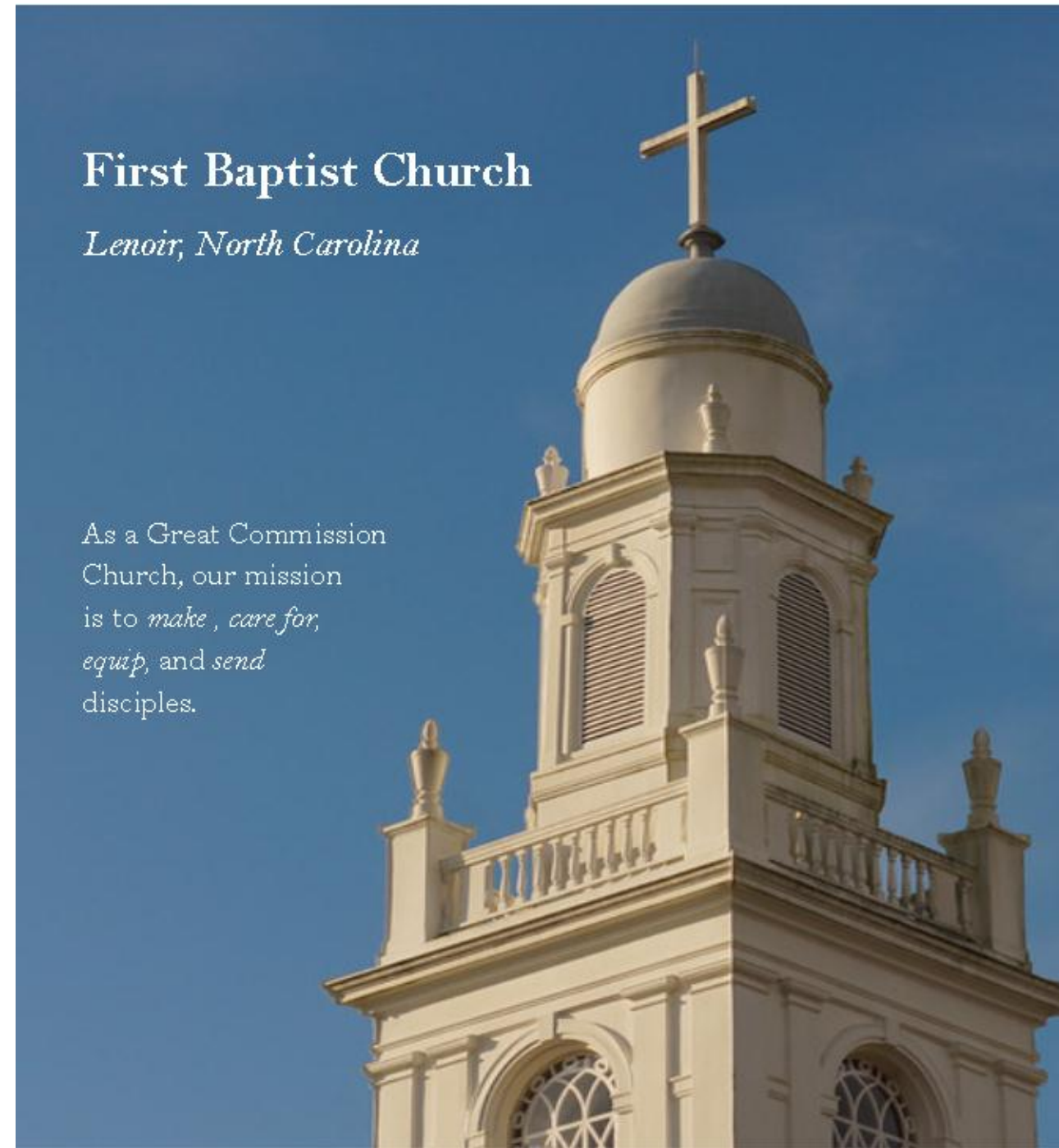
Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship	11:00 a.m.
Handbells	5:00 p.m.
Youth Program	
Snack Supper	6:00 p.m.
Study and Activities	6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Family Night Dinner	5:00-6:00 p.m.
(Reservations - 758-8428)	
Children's Mission Activities	6:00 p.m.
Adult Bible Study/Youth Activities	6:15 p.m.
Children's Choirs	6:30 p.m.
Adult Choir	7:10 p.m.

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As a Great Commission Church, our mission is to *make*, *care for*, *equip*, and *send* disciples.

Rev. Josh Hughes
Senior Minister

Dr. Thomas Hinton
Minister of Music & Youth

Rebecca Lawing
Children's Minister

Rev. Fred Barnes
Pastor Emeritus