

# The Church at Worship

November 19, 2017

The Election of Deacons

The Chiming of the Hour

The Welcome Rev. Josh Hughes

The Invocation Rev. Hughes

The Introit “Thanks Be to God” Schulz-Widmar

\*The Call to Worship

Leader: The time for harvest is close at hand. What have you done with the gifts God has given you?

**People: We have brought our gifts to the house of the Lord.**

Leader: Praise God for the gifts and for opportunities for service that they represent.

**People: We praise God for all the ways in which our lives have been blessed.**

Leader: Generous God, accept our gifts and our lives this day.

**People: Loving God, accept our praise and gratitude.**

\*The Hymn of Praise 638 “Now Thank We All Our God” NAN DANKET  
(The Children come forward for the Children’s Sermon)

The Children’s Sermon Becca Lawing

\*The Old Testament Lesson Psalm 123 (page 966)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

The Ministry of Prayer Rev. Hughes

\*The Offertory Hymn 636 “We Gather Together” KREMSER

\*The Offertory Prayer Derek Reeves, Deacon

The Offertory Music “Good, Good, Father” Tomlin  
*Jessie Moore, Soloist; Carol Frye, Cello*

\*The Congregational Response (tune: “For the Fruit of All Creation”)

**“For the harvest of the Spirit, Thanks be to God.  
For the good we all inherit, Thanks be to God.  
For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us.  
Most of all, that love has found us, Thanks be to God.”**

\*The New Testament Lesson Matthew 25:31-46 (page 1542)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

The Anthem “Look at the World” Rutter

The Sermon “The Only Sure Thing” Rev. Hughes

\*Hymn of Invitation 277 “Take My Life and Let It Be” HENDON

\*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: “We Gather Together”)

**“With voices united our praises we offer, and gladly our songs of  
thanksgiving we raise. With You, Lord, beside us, your strong arm  
will guide us. To You, our great Redeemer, forever be praise.”**

\*The Postlude “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come” ST. GEORGE’S WINDSOR

Organist: Todd Wright

(\*Congregation Standing)

Acolyte: Haylie Hart

Alternate: Leah White

Sunday, November 19, 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.

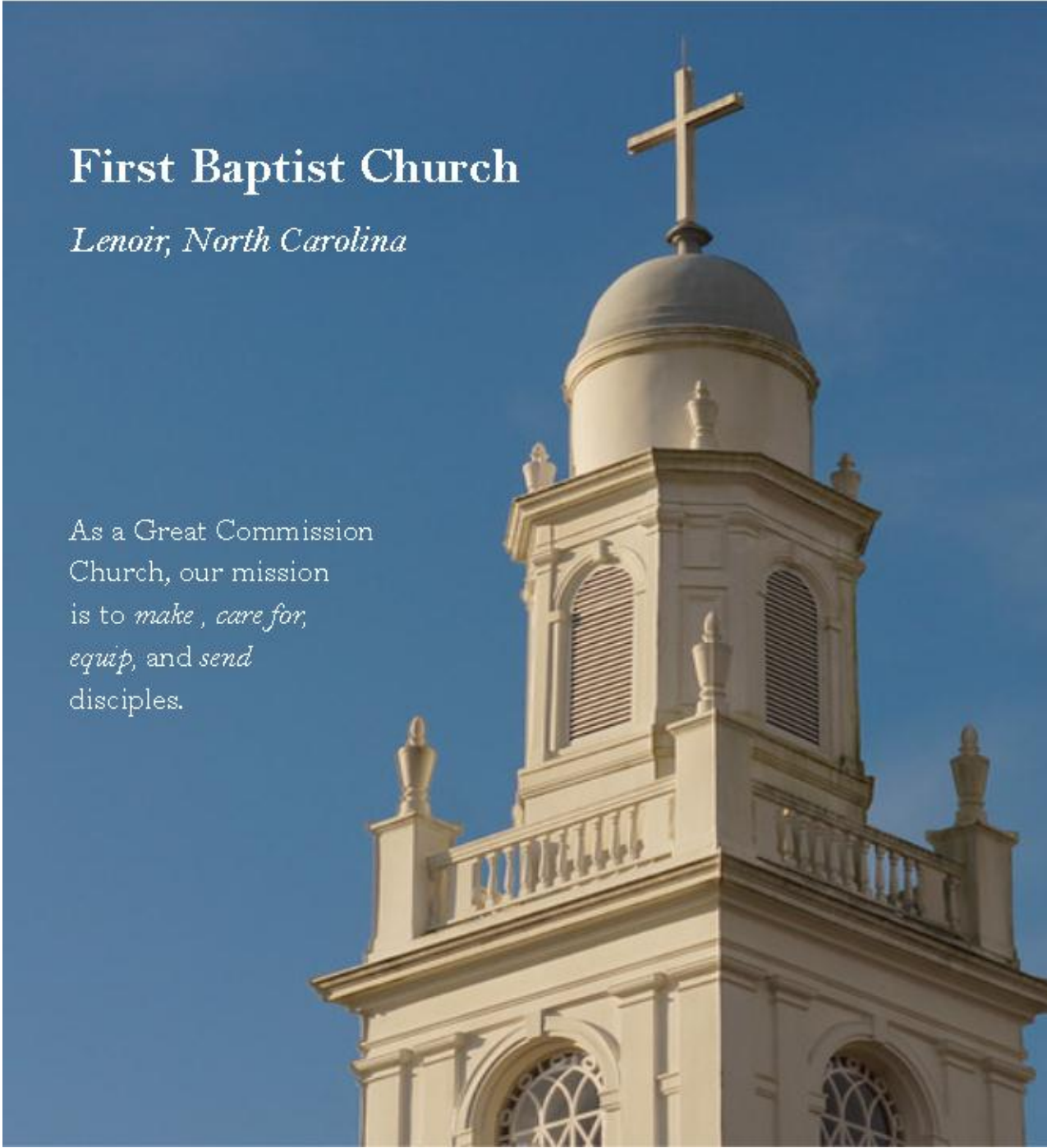
If you would like to become a member of this congregation, you are invited to share your decision during the singing of the Hymn of Invitation. If you have not made a confession of faith, we invite you to do so and receive baptism. If you would like to join by a statement of your faith, our church will honor your previous baptism and confirmation from any other Christian community. Everyone is invited to use this time to reflect upon their relationship with God and their commitment to Christian service.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday		Wednesday	
Sunday School	9:45 a.m.	Family Night Dinner	5:00-6:00 p.m.
Morning Worship	11:00 a.m.	(Reservations – 758-8428)	
Handbells	5:00 p.m.	Children’s Mission Activities	6:00 p.m.
Youth Program		Adult Bible Study/Youth Activities	6:15 p.m.
Snack Supper	6:00 p.m.	Children’s Choirs	6:30 p.m.
Study and Activities	6:30 p.m.	Adult Choir	7:10 p.m.

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