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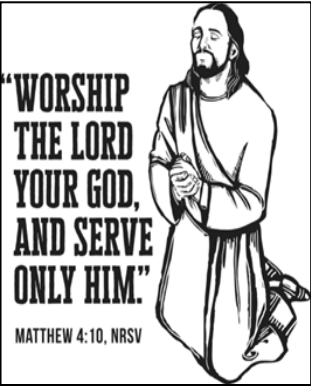
Living with God in a One-story House

We often think of the universe as a two-story house, notes Orthodox Christian priest Stephen Freeman. “We live here on earth, the first floor, where ... everything operates according to normal, natural laws, while God lives in heaven, upstairs, and is largely removed from the story in which we live.” Most of the time we feel like we’re all alone on our level of the world.

But, Freeman adds, God is “everywhere, present, and filling all things.” Not that God’s kingdom has fully come; we know that’s not so. And not to discount the promise of eternity. But we don’t live apart from God, even now. As Jacob said, “Surely the Lord is in this place. ... This is none other than the house of God” (Genesis 28:16-17).

How might our perceptions and behaviors change if we expected to run into God frequently, conversing and enjoying his company not only in prayer and worship but while working and relaxing? What a difference it makes when we live as roommates with God in a one-story world.

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Deacons of the Month	
<u>November</u>	<u>December</u>
Tom Mitchell	Grant Staton
Adan Greene	James Thompson
Polly Staton	Kay Boyd

God has a Reason
for allowing things to happen.
We may never understand His wisdom,
but we simply have to trust His will.

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Welcome to Worship at First Baptist Church

This is the house of the Lord.
All are welcome to enter and worship our loving Creator.
May God’s love fill you with kindness, mercy and joy.



AS WE ENTER TO WORSHIP
True spiritual worship will cause God Almighty to come and sit with you,
for He is enthroned in the midst of your praises. — Joseph L. Garlington
Join us as we sit, with God in our midst, and worship Him.

November 2, 2025

Piano Prelude

Announcements

Morning Prayer

God's Word
Revelation 19:16

Song of Praise
You Are My King

Children's Sermon

Hymn of Offering
Something for Thee
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Blessing of Tithes and Offerings

Music for Reflection

Anthem
Upon This Rock
Sanctuary Choir

Morning Message

Mr. Ben Lilley, Guest Speaker

Hymn of Invitation
Shine On Us

As we sing this Hymn of Invitation, we invite you to listen for the Holy Spirit's guidance. If you feel led to accept God's gift of salvation or to join this fellowship, come forward and share your decision with the pastor as others pray.

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction

AS WE DEPART TO SERVE
As you go, share His love. Be the voice of the savior. Offer hope, speak His peace, let the Gospel be
seen in you. For Christ has enabled you and the Spirit shall lead you.