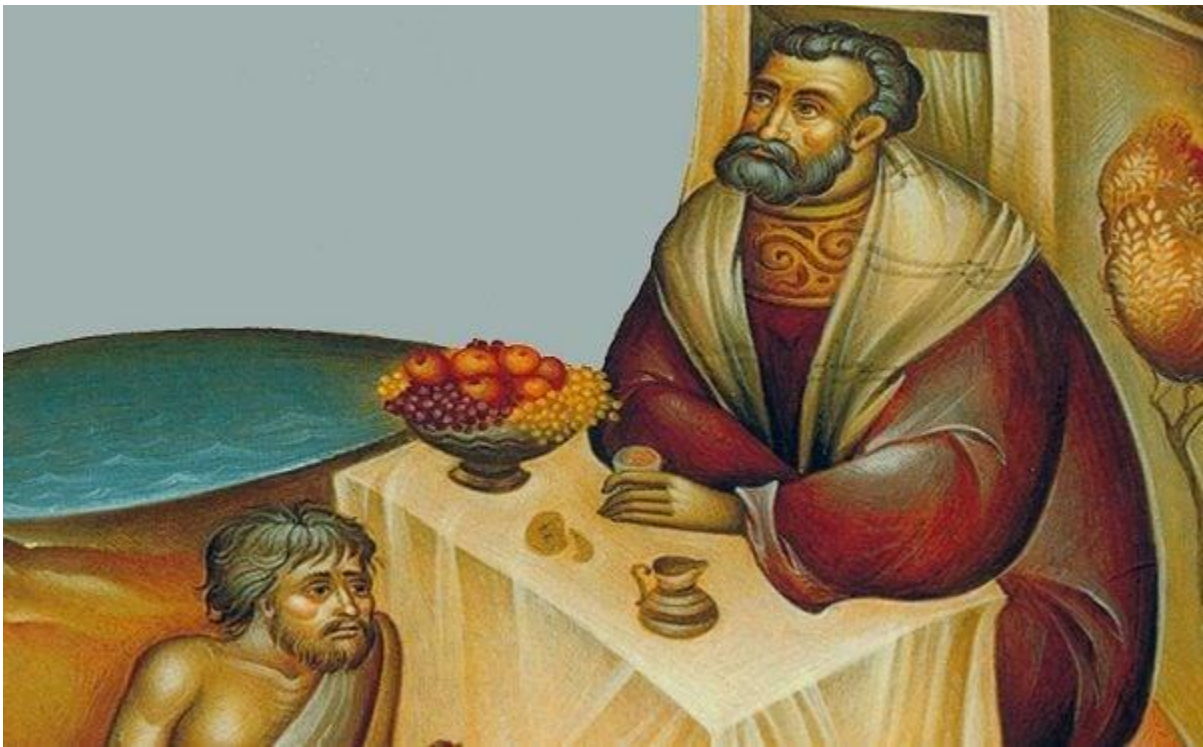


First Baptist Church

Southern Pines

*The mission of First Baptist Church is to glorify God by
proclaiming the gospel, nurturing disciples, and serving others*

October 25, 2026



First Baptist Church
SOUTHERN PINES

The Rev. Doctor Matt Riggsbee
Senior Minister

The Rev. Doctor Cathy Haynes
Minister of Congregational Care

The Rev. Doctor Jamie Kipfer
Minister of Education & Administration

Reverend Bryan Moore
Minister of Youth and Students

Doctor Anita W. Alpenfels
Interim Music Director

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The Worship of God

October 25, 2026 – 11:00 AM

WE PRAISE GOD THROUGH WORSHIP

Gathering Music Cathy Haynes

Chiming of the Hour Cathy Haynes

Greeting and Ministry Highlights Bryan Moore

Call to Worship Carson & Laura Foushee (video)

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

Hymn of Praise *Standing on the Promises* No. 625
PROMISES

Children are invited to come forward for the Children's message on the last stanza

Children's Message John Roscoe

OFFERING OUR GIFTS, OUR SERVICE, AND OUR LIVES TO GOD

Special Music *God Keeps His Promises* Mini Music Makers & Young Musicians
Jim Ailor Cameron Saunders, Percussion

Standing on the promises of God!

God keeps His promises. God hears our prayers.

God never leaves us. God's always there.

God's loving promises are always true,
giving us strength and hope in all that we do.

God's promises are true!

Standing, standing, standing on the promises of God, my Savior.

Standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.

Hymn of Giving *I Surrender All* No. 499
SURRENDER

Offertory Sentence and Prayer

Jacob Saburro

Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you. – *Luke 6:38*

Offertory

You Never Let Go
arr. Leatherman

Cathy Haynes

PROCLAIM AND HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Anthem

Teach Us to Pray
arr. Choplin

The Sanctuary Choir

When we sense Your holiness, when our hearts we can't express,
when we seek Your mind to find Your way, teach us to pray.
By Your goodness we are fed. From Your table comes our bread.
When words of thanks we forget to say, teach us to pray.

When forgiveness we can't find, revenge and power fill the mind,
we condemn, and we forget Your grace, teach us to pray.

Though we seek Your perfect will, we fight temptation still.
When from goodness we begin to stray, teach us to pray.
For Yours is the power and majesty. Your kingdom reigns eternally.
Until the coming of the endless day, when all Your children meet You face to face,
oh teach us, teach us to pray.

Sermon

“Kingdom Proximity: So Close But So Far”
Luke 16:19-31
(Please stand as you are able for the reading of God's Word)

Matt Riggsbee

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Hymn of Invitation

Let Your Heart Be Broken

No. 658
WYE VALLEY

Benediction

Matt Riggsbee

Postlude

Rise Up and Serve the Lord
arr. Harris

Cathy Haynes

Memory Verse

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

Hebrews 13:8



Welcome! If you are worshiping with us for the first time, please scan the QR code to complete our online Visitor Form and learn more about our church. You may also complete the Welcome Card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.

We look forward to connecting with you!

THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, October 25

8:30 AM Worship Service
9:45 AM Sunday School, Bible Study
11:00 AM Worship Service, Livestream
4:00 PM **Trunk or Treat**

Monday, October 26

7:00 PM AI-Anon/ Alcoholics Anonymous

Tuesday, October 27

10:00 AM Staff Meeting

Wednesday, October 28

11:00 AM Prayer Meeting in Pages & Prayer Room
4:30 PM Deacon Ad Hoc Committee – Room 206
5:00 PM Supper
6:00 PM Children's Music & Missions, Youth Bible Study, Adult Bible Study/Mission Project
7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 29

11:00 AM SOTM Day Trip to StarWorks & Lunch
7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Connecting through Worship	274
Connecting through Sunday School	158
Connecting through Studies, Missions, Prayer Mtg.	147

Budget Offering Received on October 18	18,627.65
Giving Goal through October 18	1,06,924.00
Total Budget Offering Received through October 18	1,093,931.42
Receipts to Date Comparison with Goal	26,007.42



The Sanctuary flowers are given in loving birthday memory of David Howard, from his loving wife, Sue, and children Terri, Wayne, and Vinny.

FBCSP Youth & SLC Coat Drive

For the month of October, FBCSPYG and SLC will be hosting a coat drive for Southern Pines Elementary School. Our goal is **40** new or gently used coats for elementary-aged kids.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT FBCSP?

Supper Menu – Wednesday, October 28

Meatloaf with Brown Gravy

Kids' Crescent "Mummy" Sliders

Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Veggies, Garden Salad

Peach or Strawberry Cobbler, Vanilla Ice Cream

~ Susan G.

Adult Bible Study – Sep. 2 – Nov. 11

Facilitated by Matt Riggsbee and Jamie Kipfer

The Challenge of Acts: Rediscovering What the Church Was and Is at 6:00 PM Fellowship Hall.

Trunk or Treat – TODAY

From 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM, set up by 3:30 PM!

SOTM Day Trip – October 29

Day trip to StarWorks in Star, NC, followed by lunch at Cagle's Diner. Depart 9:45 AM for the tour at 11:00 AM. See Realm for more details/register.

Kenya Team Mission Report – Nov. 4

Register for Wednesday evening supper and stay for the Kenya Team's mission report at 6:00 PM!

Surviving the Holidays – November 7

A Grief Share seminar, providing support, encouragement and valuable tools to navigate the season. Saturday, 11/7 in the Fellowship Hall from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Please register on Realm.

SOTM Dinner and Program – November 9

Dinner (5:30 PM Cost \$10): Ham, Potato Salad, Green Beans, Rolls, Homemade Dessert
Program (6:00 PM): Trivia Game night!
Register on Realm for dinner or just come play.

OCC Shoebox Packing – November 11

Youth and the RAs/GAs will have a packing party after supper, at 6:00 PM. The **Shoebox Blessings** will be during worship on Nov. 15.

Habitat Veterans Build – November 14

All are welcome to participate! Please contact Bert Harrell for more details.

No Wednesday Evening Activities – Nov. 18

Join us with our friends of different faiths for an Ecumenical Thanksgiving meal and worship at Our Savior Lutheran Church at 5:00 PM.