



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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The Church at WORSHIP

**HOMECOMING & 143rd ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 17, 2017 – 11:00 A.M.**

Please **turn off or mute all cell phones** and pagers.

All members and guests, please **note your presence** on the attendance card in the bulletin and place it in the basket when the offering is received.

OPENING VOLUNTARY *I'm Getting Ready* T. Cobbs

Dr. Cynthia Felton

PROCESSIONAL *533 – We've Come This Far by Faith* Faith
Inside, Pg. 3 – In the Sanctuary Hezekiah Walker

CARILLON *O God, our Help in Ages Past* St. Anne

OPENING HYMN *15 – Rejoice, You Pure in Heart* Marion

INVOCATION

The Rev Mr. Cho

THE LORD'S PRAYER Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who have sinned against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING *Inside, Pg. 3 – Friend of God* Israel Houghton

**STATEMENT OF OCCASION /
LITANY** – Dr. Ben Marte

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY The peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Miss Angie Hernandez

AFFIRMATION OF FELLOWSHIP *Inside, Pg. 3 – I Need You to Survive* Hezekiah Walker

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH
Ms. Ann Brodie

CALL TO PRAYER *Holy Spirit* Richard Smallwood

PASTORAL PRAYER

The Rev. Dr. Bullock

CHORAL PRAYER RESPONSE

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

Mr. Mathias Herrera

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES
AND OFFERINGS**

ANTHEM

Cathedral Choir

Who At My Door is Standing?

K. Lee Scott

Who at my door is standing, There patiently drawing near? Who entrance is demanding? Whose is the voice I hear? Sweetly the tones are falling: "Now open the door for me! If thou wilt heed my calling, I will abide with thee." Within, the rooms are darken'd, All filled with dust and sin: How shameful, how unworthy For Christ to enter in. Yet, the tones are falling, "Now open the door for me! If thou wilt heed my calling, I will abide with me." Door of my heart, I hasten: Thee will I open wide. Though he rebuke and chasten, He shall with me abide. Sweetly the tones are falling: "Now open the door for me!" Lord God, I hear thee calling, Come now, abide with me. Dear Lord, abide with me!
(Mary Slade)

DOXOLOGY (Hymn 47)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly hosts: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ms. Diane Carroll

I Corinthians 1:1-9

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

FBC Gospel Ensemble/
Cathedral Choir

Total Praise

Richard Smallwood

SERMON

Dr. Norman Bullock

**"143 YEAR: SUSTAINED BY THE
FAITHFULNESS OF GOD TOWARD US"**

HOMECOMING OFFERING

FBC Gospel Ensemble

Faithful is Our God

Hezekiah Walker

HYMN OF INVITATION

Those interested in uniting with First Baptist are invited to come forward during the hymn. You may come by Confession of Faith and request baptism, by Christian experience, or by transfer of letter from another congregation.

BENEDICTION

and **CHORAL RESPONSE**

Let the Church Say Amen

Andraé Crouch

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Mr. Irwin

You are invited to be seated for the closing voluntary. If you are unable to stay, please leave quietly in consideration for those who wish to listen.

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LOOKING AHEAD

SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

9:30 a.m.

Church School Classes For All Ages

11:00 a.m.

Worship in the Sanctuary

“PROMISES, PROMISES”

(Please read Joel 2:25-28

in preparation)

DR. NORMAN BULLOCK, Preaching



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