

First Baptist Church, Kannapolis NC
August 2, 2020~10:55am
Sunday Morning

*For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers,
against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and
against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.
Ephesians 6:12*

Welcome		Tom Cabaniss
Prelude		Carol Cone
The Call to Worship	Psalm 46	Eddie Haigler
†Hymn	<i>A Mighty Fortress Is Our God</i>	EIN' FESTE BURG
	All children may come forward as we sing the final stanza. Children will return to their seats following Words For Our Children.	
	<i>A mighty fortress is our God, A bulwark never failing; Our helper He, amid the flood Of mortal ills prevailing: For still our ancient foe Doth seek to work us woe; His craft and pow'r are great, And, armed with cruel hate, On earth is not his equal.</i>	
	<i>Did we in our own strength confide, Our striving would be losing; Were not the right Man on our side, The Man of God's own choosing: Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He; Lord Sabaoth, His name, From age to age the same, And He must win the battle.</i>	
	<i>And tho' this world, with devils filled, Should threaten to undo us, We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph thro' us: The Prince of Darkness grim, We tremble not for him; His rage we can endure, For lo, his doom is sure, One little word shall fell him.</i>	
	<i>That word above all earthly pow'rs, No thanks to them, abideth; The Spirit and the gifts are ours Thro' Him who with us sideth: Let goods and kindred go, This mortal life also; The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still, His kingdom is forever.</i>	
Words for our Children		Candice Carter

Prayer (Unison)		Jonathan Hale
	Everpresent God, source of hope to the despairing and source of light to those in darkness, we turn to you in our gratitude and need. In every leaf, there is the wonder of creation. In each sunrise, the mystery of a new day. With every breath we take, we experience the miracle of living.	
	Stop us soon enough and quiet us long enough that our awareness of you may flow into rivers of gratitude and songs of praise. Catch us in this moment with a sense of holiness that causes our pulse to quicken and our spirits to soar. Praise to you, our everpresent God. Amen.	
Choral Worship	<i>If You Are God</i>	GARRETT & HARLAND arr. Kingsmore
Pastoral Prayer		Tom Cabaniss
†Hymn	<i>Jesus! What a Friends for Sinners</i>	HYFRYDOL
	<i>Jesus! what a friend for sinners! Jesus! lover of my soul; Friends may fail me, foes assail me, He, my Savior, makes me whole. Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a friend! Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.</i>	
	<i>Jesus! what a strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in Him; Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, He, my strength, my vict'ry wins. Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a friend! Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.</i>	
	<i>Jesus! I do now receive Him, More than all in Him I find, He hath granted me forgiveness, I am His, and He is mine. Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a friend! Saving, helping keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.</i>	
Message		Tom Cabaniss
†Hymn of Decision	<i>I Need Thee Every Hour</i>	NEED
	<i>I need Thee ev'ry hour, Most gracious Lord; No tender voice like Thine can peace afford. I need Thee, O I need Thee; Ev'ry hour I need Thee! O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.</i>	
	<i>I need Thee ev'ry hour, Stay Thou near by, Temptations lose their pow'r When Thou art nigh. I need Thee, O I need Thee; Ev'ry hour I need Thee! O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.</i>	
	<i>I need Thee ev'ry hour, Most Holy One, O Make me Thine indeed, Thou blessed Son. I need Thee, O I need Thee; Ev'ry hour I need Thee! O bless my now, my Savior, I come to Thee.</i>	
†Dismissal Instructions and Benediction		Tom Cabaniss
†Our Response	<i>Be Strong in the Lord</i>	STRENGTH
	<i>Be strong, be strong, be strong in the Lord; And be of good courage, for He is your guide. Be strong, be strong, be strong in the Lord; And rejoice, for the vict'ry is yours.</i>	
Postlude		Carol Cone

“Playing For A Tie”

Ephesians 6:12

THERE IS A STRUGGLE

The word for struggle...

Next you see the word against...

In order to win in spiritual warfare, we have to know what we are facing...

We need to know four things...

Henry David Thoreau...

UNDERSTANDING THIS ENEMY

Paul made it clear that this enemy is not flesh and blood.

This enemy is organized...

Four lessons we can learn about Satan's ways...

- A plan and an objective
- Methodical
- Creates doubt about God
- Preys upon our already fallen nature

Why You Do What You Do

DESCRIPTIONS

In verse 12, the Bible gives four descriptions of Satan's structure and organization...

- Rulers
- Authorities
- Powers of this dark world
- Spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms

If you put these descriptions together...

PERSPECTIVE

The enemy we face is not flesh and blood.

Four strategies...

- Do the next thing
- Pray
- Grow as a follower of Christ
- Put on the full armor of God

A football game...

Upcoming Birthdays

August 4

Kimberly Bonagura
Thomas Henderson

August 5

Bob Snuggs

August 7

Karen Aiton
Rick Keziah

August 8

Joe Brooks
Brenda Graham

August 9

Marylene Noel

August 13

Shine Lowder

August 14

John Harris
Madeleine Harris
Danita Rickard

August 16

Candy Wayne

August 17

Benjamin Alford
Betty Childers
Lisa Gurley
Lisa Martin
Amber Monroe

**Daily Scripture
for Personal Devotion**

Monday.....Psalm 75
Tuesday.....,Zephaniah 3:1-13
Wednesday...Daniel 12:1-13
Thursday.....Psalm 119:129-136
Friday.....1 Kings 1:38-48
Saturday.....1 Kings 2:1-4
Sunday.....1 Kings 3:5-12
Psalm 119:129-136
Romans 8:26-39
Matthew 13:31-33

BUDGET REPORT THROUGH

July 26, 2020

Receipts \$ 453,521.41
Budget \$ 464,265.80
Over/(Under) \$ (10,844.39)

As we open our doors for Worship on Sunday, August 2nd at 10:55am, please remember a few things:

- Only enter through the “new” entrance or front Sanctuary doors.
- Face Masks are required, please wear your own. If you do not have one, we do have a few on hand.
- Print your bulletin at home to help with social distancing.
- There are no Bibles or Hymnals in the pews, please bring your Bible from home.
- There is plenty of room to spread out, please sit with your families but not on top of another family or individual.
- At this time we are doing Worship Services only... Sunday School will remain online and no Children’s Church during the service. All Children are welcome in the service.

On Wednesday, August 5 at 6:30pm, we will have a time of prayer for our church, community, nation and world in the sanctuary. We will have a limited seating capacity. **You must contact the church office to sign up.** We will spread out, socially distance and wear masks for this time of gathering. Again, you must contact the church office to sign up. We will be praying for about 45 minutes as we gather.

Please call the church office at 704-938-4697 or email at office2@firstbaptistchurch.com if you have any needs during the week 8am-5pm. After hours or weekends please email Jim Campbell at jim@w4bqp.net.

Remember to share any prayer requests you may have with us. We’ll be happy to lift you up to the Lord and others as well. We also remind you of the giving options you have available to you. You can easily continue with online bill pay as you have been doing, mail your tithes to our church office, drop them by the church office or take advantage of tithe.ly. You can use that online option by visiting our church’s website at www.firstbaptistkannapolis.com.