

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

## OUR FAITH FAMILY ... GATHERING

The Chiming of the Hour

The Opening of the Scriptures and Lighting of the Christ Candle

# The Welcome to Worship . . . . . Laura Edgar

## OUR FAITH FAMILY ... PRAISING

\* The Call to Praise . . . . . Ruthie Spiers

Leader: Faith is the assurance of hope!

**People: It is the conviction of things not seen.**

Leader: It is a gift to be received.

**People: It is to be treasured and shared with joy  
and thanksgiving!**

\* Hymn 619 *Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine* . . . . . ASSURANCE

\* The Invocation . . . . . Ruthie Spiers

The Scripture Reading *Genesis 15:1-6* . . . . . Morris Driggers  
(The scripture may be found on p. 10 of the pew Bible)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

# The Instrumental Interlude

## OUR FAITH FAMILY ... SHARING

Prayer Concerns of Our Church and World . . . . . Tripp Martin

The Preparation for Prayer 399 . . . . . Taizé Community  
*O Lord, Hear My Prayer*

**O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer:  
when I call answer me.**

**O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer.  
Come and listen to me.**

The Ministry of Silence

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer . . . . . Tripp Martin

**Our Father, which 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 trespasses, as we  
forgive those who trespass 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.**

The Offertory *We're Marching to Zion* . . . . . arr. Young  
Scarlett Sheils, organist

## OUR FAITH FAMILY ... PROCLAIMING

\* Hymn 48 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* . . . . . FAITHFULNESS

The Scripture Reading *Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16* . . . . . Laura Edgar  
(The scripture may be found on p. 977 of the pew Bible)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Choral Worship *Songs of the Promise* . . . . . arr. Drennan  
Sanctuary Choir (violin: Henry Sheils)

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand and cast a wishful eye  
to Canaan's fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.

I am bound for the promised land, I am bound for the promised land;  
O who will come and go with me? I am bound for the promised land.

There's a land that is fairer than day, and by faith we can see it afar;  
for the Father waits over the way, to prepare us a dwelling place there.

To our bountiful Father above, we will offer our tribute of praise,  
for the glorious gift of His love, and the blessings that hallow our days.

In the sweet by and by, we shall meet on that beautiful shore;  
In the sweet by and by, we shall meet on that beautiful shore.

The Sermon . . . . . Tripp Martin

*The Pace of Love*

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE TABLE

The Preparation for the Table *Come to This Table* . . . . . Peterson

**Come to this table, this table of grace.**

**Come to this table and feel God's embrace.**

**Come to this table, there's room for us all.**

**O come to this table, respond to God's call.**

**There's room at this table. There's grace at this table.**

**There's love at this table for you and for me.**

**Come to this table, respond to God's call.**

**Come to this table, a place for us all.**

The Words of Institution . . . . . Tripp Martin

The Breaking and Sharing of the Bread

The Words of Institution

The Pouring and Sharing of the Cup

## OUR FAITH FAMILY ... RESPONDING

\* Hymn of Commitment 520 . . . . . AZMON  
*The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve*

This hymn affords all of us a chance to consider our response to  
today's worship. The minister will welcome you at the front of the  
sanctuary if you would like to make a public commitment today.

The Receiving of New Members

The Introduction of New Members

\* The Spoken Benediction . . . . . Tripp Martin

\* The Sung Benediction . . . . . Spiritual (arr. Whalum)  
*I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*

**I'm gonna live so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, any time!**

**I'm gonna live so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, any time!**

Benevolence Offering

\* standing as able

# ushers will seat worshippers

In order to preserve an atmosphere of worship, we  
respectfully ask that all electronic devices be silenced.

Children's worship activity kits are available for children in grades K-3 at  
each entrance to the sanctuary. You are welcome to take one for your child  
as you enter, then please return it as you exit the sanctuary. Children in  
kindergarten/first grade will return to their class after the Lord's Prayer. If  
this is your child's first time to participate with this group, please  
accompany them to complete an emergency-information card.

The Lay Worship Leader for August is Ruthie Spiers. She is originally  
from Charleston, South Carolina and moved to Auburn for graduate school  
and never left. Ruthie is married to Jay Spiers and has three daughters,  
Annie (13), Millie (9), and Francie (7). Ruthie has been a member of  
Auburn First Baptist since 2009. She has taught Preschool and College  
Sunday School and has served on the Preschool, Children's, and Ordinance  
Committees.

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