

WELCOME

“We Reserve the Right to Accept Everybody”

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES

- ♥ Childcare is provided in the education center.
- ♥ Hearing assistance receivers are available from an usher.
- ♥ Following worship, join one another for a reception period downstairs.
- ♥ As a hospitality to visitors, a tour of the historic Meeting House will be conducted at 11:15 PM.
- ♥ Our pastor and deacons welcome the opportunity to speak with you about your interest in church membership. Come to the Welcome Table in the Fellowship Hall.

This Week's Activities

Sun. 10:00 AM Worship Service
 11:15 PM Guided Tour

Worship Participants

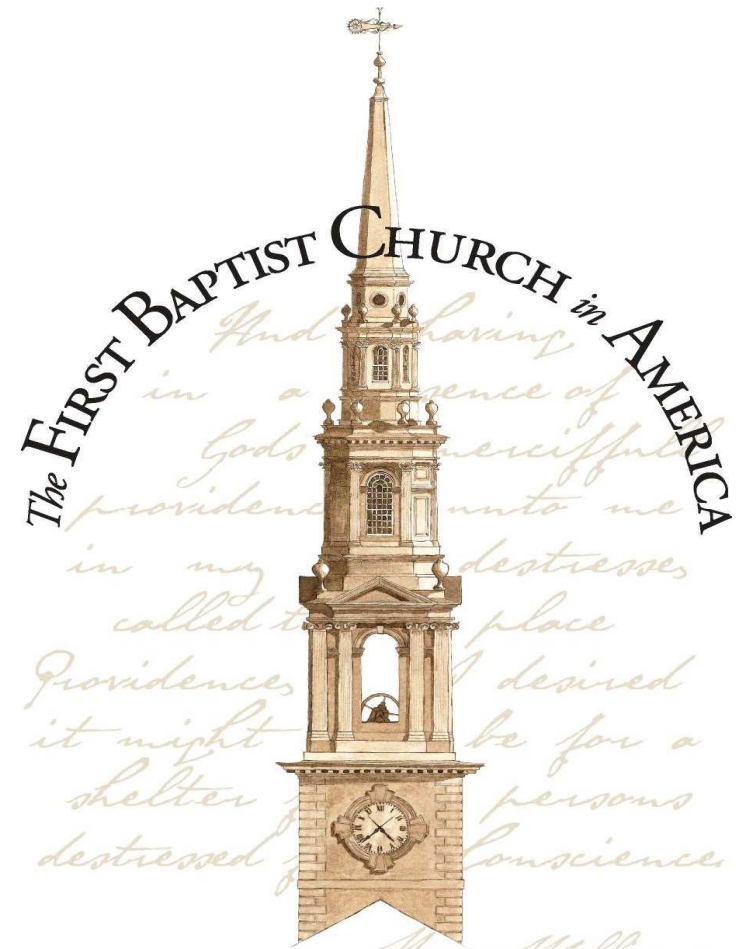
Greeter:	Elsa Grieder
Usher:	Donna and Henry Campopiano
Worship Leader:	Linda Bausserman
Tour Guide:	Joanne Schneider

Ministry Staff

Minister	Jamie P. Washam
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Sunday, July 10, 2016
Ten O'clock AM

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude Adagio from Sonata in F K 280
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Welcome

* A Call to Worship

We cannot petition God without petitioning ourselves.
We cannot pray for health or peace or love without involving ourselves, our hearts, our thoughts, our spines.

We cannot pray God for peace while our arms are folded, our mouths sealed, our feet dragging.

We cannot pray “God heal us,” and turn our heads from our obligation to insure the health of the blind, the lame, the lacerated.

We cannot pray to the God of creation and treat nature with callousness, accept the toxification of its waters, forests, and air.

We cannot pray God’s love and ignore the vilification and exploitation of God’s children — the stranger, the pariah, the immigrant, the outcast, in our midst.

Prayer is not one-sided. Not vertical, God “up there” and we “down here.” We are covenanted with God, side by side, not as a passive beggar, but as a co-creator: co-responsible collaborator with Godliness. Therefore, before every petition, we close our eyes and add two words before the yearning petitions of our hearts. “Through me.”

*Unison Invocation

God help — through me — those caught in the whirlwinds, earthquakes, floods, volcanoes, pestilence of the world.

God protect — through me — those suffering in a violent world.

God bring peace — through me — to a world torn by mounting genocides, mass murders, and abuse.

The Godliness in me and through me, reaches out to the Godliness in others.

In prayer we are reminded that You, God are lived through me in loving, healing, helping, comforting, consoling, protecting, protesting, wiping away the tears of the afflicted,

soothing their pains, binding their wounds, straightening their bent spine.

Through me, through humanity, I am prepared in prayer to praise, appreciate and petition God who opens the path to life’s meaning. Amen.

Rabbi Harold Schulweis, A Prayer Before I Pray, adapted

Greeting One Another

Announcements

*Hymn 725 Renew Your Church *All is well*

Old Testament Scripture Nehemiah 2:17-18, 3:1-4

New Testament Scripture Romans 12:1-2

Anthem “If with all your hearts” from *Elijah*

Felix Mendelssohn

Frederic Scheff, tenor

Prayers of the People

*Hymn 722 When the Church of Jesus *King’s Weston*

(Children are dismissed for Christian Education)

Preaching “Seeing Reality” Rev. Dr. Tom Wiles

Offertory “Simple Song” from *Mass* Leonard Bernstein

*Doxology *Old Hundredth*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise God all creatures here below,

Praise God for all that Love has done:

Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen

*Prayer of Dedication

*Parting Hymn 732 So Send I You *Toronto*

*Commission and Blessing

* Postlude Presto from Sonata in F K 280 W. A. Mozart