

Installation Service for Josh Powers

February 26, 2017

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS AND THANKSGIVINGS

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

People: God, our Father, we bow before you in worship and in praise! We celebrate our calling to follow in the footsteps of your Son, Jesus, the Christ. We pray that your Holy Spirit will fill this place and unite us in your love.

Leader: Each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gifts. Christ appointed some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers. Christ did this to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, and for serving a broken world.

People: We come together this day in oneness of faith and in certain knowledge of the Son of God.

Leader: We come to bring glory to God only and to celebrate his gracious gifts to all of us.

All: In this spirit of unity and service, we have come to worship. Amen

CHORAL RESPONSE ... "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"Congregation

Lord, listen to your children praying; Lord, sends your spirit in this place.

Lord, listen to your children praying; send us love, send us power, send us grace.

FROM THE PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE.....Dwight Saunders

LITANY ... PASTOR-CONGREGATION COVENANT

Leader: By the leading of the Holy Spirit, we have called this minister of God, Rev. Josh Powers, to be our Pastor, and he has responded as God has led him. Therefore, we do now enter into a solemn covenant with God and with our Pastor that we will faithfully follow his leadership as he follows Christ.

People: With thankful hearts for God's mercy and goodness, we accept this solemn covenant with God and with our Pastor.

Leader: Recognizing that this relationship with our pastor is by God's calling, we do now pledge to him our support as co-workers for Christ, our prayers as believers, our promise to participate in the worship services of the church, and our support of the total ministry of the church. We will encourage and sustain him as he follows the direction of our Lord.

People: With understanding love and a willingness to serve God, we accept these responsibilities to go hand in hand with God and our Pastor.

Leader: Acknowledging that in and through Jesus Christ we are strengthened, we promise to work toward ministering to this community and striving to bring about God's Kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. We promise to strive to advance the cause of Christ, and we endeavor to embody the truth of God's word in our daily lives. This high obligation requires that we be good stewards of all we have received from God and that we show the love of Christ toward all persons whom our influence touches.

People: With a fervent desire to advance the cause of Christ, we accept the challenge of this covenant.

Leader: The Lord has also been gracious to you, Rev. Powers, by sending you to a congregation whose opportunities for ministry fit so well with your gifts and experience. God has prepared you for the challenge and will provide what you need to meet it, as you depend on Christ Jesus from one day to the next. What is your response to God's grace to you?

Pastor: I thank God for guiding me to this congregation, and to this opportunity for leadership. I am also grateful that God has been at work among these people and preparing them for this relationship. I will seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit in assisting that work. I will love and pray for these people, and seek to develop the gifts God has given them.

Leader: Rev. Powers, you have jointly prepared with the congregation at First Baptist Church a covenant for your journey together. Will you, before God and these witnesses, promise to honor your part in the covenant, with God's help?

Pastor: I will.

Leader: Members of the congregation at First Baptist Church, you have jointly prepared with Rev. Powers a covenant for your journey together. Will you, before God and these witnesses, promise to honor your part in the covenant, with God's help?

People: We will.

PRAYER OF INSTALLATION.....Dr. Jack Causey

HYMN ... "Be Thou My Vision" ...vs. 1, 3 and 4 71

SCRIPTURE LESSON ... *Matthew 22:34-40* Molly Abbott

³⁴When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶"Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" ³⁷He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

OFFERTORY HYMN ... "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" 295

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY
 ANTHEM ... “What Is Your Passion?” Choir
 CHARGE TO THE PASTOR ... “The Main Mission”..... Dr. Causey
 PASTOR’S RESPONSE..... Rev. Josh Powers
 CLOSING HYMN ... “They Will Know We Are Christians by Our Love” 272
 BENEDICTION.....
 POSTLUDE

Siler City, NC 27344

*Following the service, please join us for lunch in the fellowship hall
 as we continue our celebration!*

CALENDAR

TODAY

4:00 p.m.Planning meeting for installation service
 5:30 p.m. Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY

6:00 p.m **COVERED DISH**
 6:30 p.m Bible Study and Children’s and Youth Programs

USHERS

TODAY..... Nancy Ruppert’s Team
 NEXT SUNDAY Dwight Saunders’ Team

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

TODAY..... Chris and Barbie Blake
 NEXT SUNDAY Sharon and Dwayne Blake

PRAYER LIST

**Sarah Jo Wall
 607 N. Ivey Ave.**

Church family: Wayne Abbott, Eddie and Sharon Reynolds, Katelyn Reynolds, Linda McNeill, Jack Boone, John & Alisa Beard, Larry Wilson, Rodney Loflin, Karen Dailey, Barbara Lynthacum, Gary McCaskill			Ray, Frances Hudson Paul/Thelma Hussey	Harold Johnson Meryl Johnson Mildred Hunsucker	daughter brother sister-in-law friend
At Home: Helen Greene, Violet Epps, Irene Warner, Florence Cagle			Reggie Jackson Mary James	Marian Jackson Benny McBride Bob Moore Pam, Ken Morgan	mother friend nephew niece, nephew
Friends and Relatives of:			Butch/Nancy Jenkins Candy Loflin	John Moore Cristie Thomas Beth Holt Misty Morgan	Nancy’s father friend friend friend.
Molly/Wayne Abbott	Henrietta Garner Monnie Jenkins Juanita King Tony Lawson Toni Atcheson Cassie Jenkins Martha Garner Tammy Laprade Audrey Grace Bryan...	friend friend friend friend sister granddaughter sister sister friend	Max/Jane Luquire Barbara Lynthacum	Iris Luquire Jo Brooks J.D. Thompson Melissa Green	sister-in-law friend nephew daughter
Dave/Barb Buckland Jane Covington	Retha Brooks Faye Pete Thomas Lee Kasik	Sue Ann’s mother sister brother-in-law grandson-in-law	Jean Maness Sylvia McAlister Pat/Bob Morgan Jeff Robinson Nancy Ruppert Barbara Smith	Helen Mabe Carol Luther Tammy Parker Jesse Wallace June Spears Marie Spoon Laura Wilson	aunt friend friend friend friend sister friend
Tim and Tammy Dunn	Todd Reece Scott Reece Lynn Saunders	friend friend cousin	Service Personnel: Devin Hurley, Mark Davis, Dylan McCaskill, Christian Rush, Seth Spivey, Garrett Wallace, Chris Stuart		
Ernest , Karen Dailey Garrett Gooch	Judy and Estella Mary Chunn	daughters grandmother			

