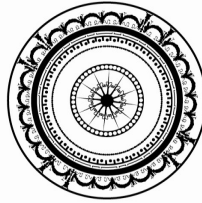


First Baptist Church on Fifth



The Worship of God
The Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 22, 2018
10:30 am

Invitation to Worship Emily Hull McGee

Organ Prelude: *Prelude No.1* H. Willan
Jacob Hill, Organ

Invocation David Williamson

**God of all glory,
on this first day you began creation,
bringing light out of darkness.
On this first day you began your new creation,
raising Jesus Christ out of the darkness of death.
On this Lord's day grant that we,
the people you created by the power of your Spirit,
may be joined with all your works in heaven and earth
in praising you for your great glory and your great love.**

*Processional Hymn 332: *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* AZMON

Passing of the Peace Kaylee Godfrey

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Scripture Lesson: 1 John 3:16-24 (Pew Bible, NT, p.188) Augusta Graham

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Confession Amy McClure

Leader: If we are honest with ourselves, our hearts condemn us.
But God, who knows everything, is greater than our hearts;
and God's deep desire for us is mercy, love, and peace.
Therefore let us confess our sin.

**People: Lord, have mercy on us.
We talk about love, but our actions betray us.
We talk about love, but we neglect the poor.
We talk about love, but we fail to love one another.
Lord, have mercy on us.
Forgive us, and abide in us by the power of your Spirit
so that our lives may show our love for Jesus Christ,
in whose body we live and in whose name we pray.
Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness Amy McClure

Leader: Sisters and brothers,
We seek God's grace with boldness
because we trust in Jesus Christ,
the One who loves us and laid down his life for us.
This is the good news of the gospel:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God.

Choral Response: *O Great God* arr. J. Hoelscher

Sanctuary Choir

O great God of highest heaven, occupy my lowly heart. Own it all, and reign supreme, conquer every rebel power. Let no vice or sin remain that resist Your holy war. You have loved and purchased me; make me Yours forevermore. I was blinded by my sin, had no ears to hear Your voice; did not know Your love within, had no taste for heaven's joys. Then Your Spirit gave me life, opened up Your Word to me, through the Gospel of Your Son, gave me endless hope and peace. Help me now to live a life that's dependent on Your grace. Keep my heart and guard my soul from the evils that I face. You are worthy to be praised with my every thought and deed. O great God of highest heaven, glorify Your name through me.

Pastoral Prayer John Thornton

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 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.**

Scripture Lesson: Acts 4:4-12 (Pew Bible, NT, p.92)..... Miriam White

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Hymn 246: *The Church's One Foundation*..... AURELIA

Sermon: "Old Rocks, New Stones" Emily Hull McGee

*Hymn of Response 534: *Bricks and Mortar, Hands and Labor* BEECHER

All are invited to respond to God now in quiet or public ways. Our church welcomes you to share a new desire to follow in the way of Jesus or to join our congregation as a member. As we sing, please come to the front of the sanctuary and share your commitment with one of our ministers.

*Offertory Prayer Kelly King

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Choral Offertory: *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation* D. Wood

Sanctuary Choir

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the Head and Cornerstone; Chosen of the Lord, and precious, binding all the church in one; Holy Zion's help forever, And her confidence alone. To this temple, where we call Thee, come, O Lord of hosts, today; with Thy wonted loving kindness hear Thy servants as they pray, and Thy fullest benediction shed within its walls alway. Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son, Laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One, One in might and One in glory, while unending ages run.

Opportunities for Ministry Emily Hull McGee

*Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

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

*Benediction Emily Hull McGee

Organ Postlude: *Trumpet Tune* H. Purcell

Jacob Hill, Organ

**Those who are able will please stand.*

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Kaylee Godfrey, a second-year student at Wake Forest School of Divinity, is serving First Baptist Church as Pastoral Intern for the 2017-18 academic year.

Acolytes for this service are Norah Knight and Ashleigh Henley.

CHURCH TO VOTE ON PHASE ONE OF BUILDING PROJECT APRIL 29

After two presentations by the Special Committee on Facilities and Mission as well as robust times of Q&A on April 4 and 8 and the April 18 Quarterly Church Conference, the church will vote after worship on Sunday, April 29 to approve the concept of Phase One of our building project. In summary, Phase One of the project will include the following:

- Demolition of Buildings B & C
- Related work alongside demolition, including asbestos abatement and backfill
- Utility relocation of the electrical transformer and the boiler
- Site work around the grounds once Buildings B & C are no longer here
- Full replacement of the Building A roof
- Exterior restoration of the tower, and all restoration at and above the roofline of Building A
- Addition of bathrooms in the Sanctuary narthex
- Temporary space for children and some offices

Full details about Phase One can be found at this link: <https://firstonfifth.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/SCFM-Presentation-to-the-Church-on-Phase-One-4.4.18-2.pdf>

Pending a vote of approval by the church, the project is slated to begin as early as June 1 and will last approximately 10-14 months. Many leadership bodies in the church (including our Deacons, House & Grounds, Finance, Special Committee, and staff) are working tirelessly together to attend to all the details that will enable this substantial transition to take place.

In addition to this vote on Phase One, the church will also vote to approve the utilization of our existing line of credit for initial expenditures of up to \$1M, expenditures that enable the work to begin prior to our fall 2018 capital campaign. Ultimately, these dollars will be included in the Guaranteed Maximum Price given to us by our contractor, Frank L. Blum, a number that the church will receive and approve this summer. The total budget for Phase One of the project is approximately \$5M.

Handouts detailing Phase One of the project are available at the link above, at the Welcome Center, and in the church office.

Please make every effort to be present for these important times of discussion, discernment, and decision! May God grant us wisdom and courage for the living of these days in the life of First Baptist Church!

Ministry Funding Plan March 2018	Month	YTD
Contributions & Receipts	64,935	197,215
Ministry Costs	70,153	241,290
Over/(Under) Met Needs	(5,218)	(44,075)
Contributions Current Year	66,134	198,626
Contributions Last Year	79,923	215,556

SUNDAY, April 22

9:15 am Bible Study
 10:30 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)
 Joining Sunday
 11:30 am Children's Musical Rehearsal (Kelly Auditorium)

TUESDAY, April 24

6:45 am Devotional Classics in the Commons (A-L Commons)

WEDNESDAY, April 25

11:30 am "Present Over Perfect" Women's Study (A-L Commons)
 1:00 pm Nominating Committee (Conference Room_)
 3:45 pm Youth Homework Time (A-L Commons)
 4:45 pm Timothy Ringers (Room 215)
 4:45 pm Youth Handbell Ensemble (Sanctuary)
 5:15 pm Fellowship Meal (Fellowship Hall)
 6:15 pm Missions & Music Celebration (Kelly Auditorium)
 6:15 pm Youth Gym Time (Gym)
 6:15 pm Nursery Ministry (Room 213)
 6:45 pm Youth Fellowship & Devotions (Youth Loft)
 7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir (Music Suite)

THURSDAY, April 26

5:30 pm Adult Handbell Ensemble (Sanctuary)

SUNDAY, April 29

9:15 am Bible Study
 10:30 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)
 11:30 am Called Church Conference (Sanctuary)

SERVING TODAY

Deacons of the Week Kelly King, Annice Hogsette
 Nursery: Babies-Ones Josh McGee, Donnie Tacy
 Nursery: Twos-PreK Jack Eaton, Sibyl Smelcer

WORSHIP SERVICE BROADCAST

Our Sunday Morning Worship Service is televised live at 10:30am on Cable Channel 1312 and is streamed live from our website at firstonfifth.org. Online giving is available at give.firstonfifth.org.

SOUND TECHS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to help with operating the sound system for our 10:30 am worship service. Sound techs serve on a monthly rotating schedule and training will be offered to all volunteers. For information please contact David Williamson at dwilliamson@firstonfifth.org or 336-722-2558 ext. 118.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER MENU FOR APRIL 25

Popcorn chicken, sandwich sliders, fresh fruit, chips, petit fours and cookies

TODAY IS "JOINING SUNDAY"

We understand that uniting with a family of faith is an important step, and we like to make it a little less intimidating by inviting folks who are at this place in their journey to make that step together. While folks are welcome to unite with our congregation at any time, we set aside specific Sundays to welcome new members who want to make this commitment as part of a group. For more information on our next "Joining Sunday," please contact Pastor Emily at ehullmcgee@firstonfifth.org.

CELEBRATING AMY TURNER'S MINISTRY AMONG US

After 11 years of faithful ministry serving God through the music, children's, and administrative ministries of First Baptist Church on Fifth, Amy Turner is concluding her work on our staff to pursue her growing piano studio and another work-from-home job with First in Flight Entertainment. Amy's work with the church has taken numerous forms over these years, and she has been a vital part of the fabric of our ministry. We will celebrate Amy's ministry as Children's Choir Coordinator on Wednesday night, April 25, at the conclusion of the children's music presentation that night, blessing her with our love and gratitude as she steps into a new season of life. Please join us on April 25 at 6:15 p.m. in Kelly Auditorium as we share in the gifts of our children and celebrate Amy's ministry among us!

MISSIONS AND MUSIC END OF YEAR CELEBRATION Wednesday, April 25 at 6:15pm Kelly Auditorium

Join us as we celebrate together a year of missions and music with choirs, handbells, and mission project reports! A highlight of this evening will be the children's musical "The Ultimate Question." Please plan to be with us as we wrap up another season of learning and growing together!

"OLD LIFE, NEW LIFE"**AN EASTERTIDE PREACHING SERIES**

Many times in our lives, we experience an event that becomes the pivot point from which everything changes. We look back on our old lives, "before kids" or "before the diagnosis," with a range of emotions: nostalgia at a by-gone time, anger for unrealized expectations, grief at what once was. And for some of us, the pivot point represents a new phase of life: "after the wedding" or "after retirement." We can look ahead with hope and possibility, making big plans and setting goals and readying ourselves for something new. Even for our church, we are preparing to think about time "before renovation" or "after demolition." But for all of us who claim to follow Christ, Easter is for us that pivot point upon which all things changed. Through his resurrection, Jesus offers us new life. But this new life doesn't come with a plan or a road map; it's often frightening and fully outside the norms we know. By exploring the stories of people who encountered the resurrected Christ or experienced new life in him, together we will be equipped to look back on these events in our life with a clearer idea of how resurrection changes us and look forward in hope for what lies ahead.

April 22

"Old Rocks, New Stones"
 Acts 4:4-12

April 29

"Old Boundaries, New Inclusion"
 Acts 8:26-40

May 6

"Old Plan, New Interruption"
 Acts 10:44-48

May 13

"Old Authority, New Leadership"
 Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

May 20

"Old Bones, New Body"
 Ezekiel 37:1-14

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**Our vision**

We are a community in the heart of the city called by Jesus to practice bold love of God and neighbor and boundless compassion for all people

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