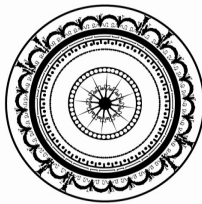


First Baptist Church on Fifth



The Worship of God

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 7, 2019

10:30am

As you enter the Sanctuary, all are encouraged to enjoy fellowship with those around you, or to spend time at the prayer stations throughout the Sanctuary to prepare your heart and mind for worship. As the prelude begins, we'll shift into a brief time of quiet reflection, where God uses the stillness of the moment to quiet our souls for what will continue to emerge during our community's worship of the living, loving God.

Prelude: *Festival Capriccio* B. Kinyon

Chancel Ringers Handbell Choir

Invitation to Worship Amy McClure

Call to Worship: Psalm 126:1-2,5-6 David Williamson

Leader: When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,
we were like those who dream.
Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
and our tongue with shouts of joy;
then it was said among the nations,
"The Lord has done great things for them."

**People: Restore our fortunes, O Lord.
May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.
Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing,
shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.**

*Hymn 310: *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* HYMN TO JOY

*Passing of the Peace David Williamson

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Anthem: *Waitin' for the Mornin'* P. Choplin

Sanctuary Choir

Waitin' for the mornin; when the sun is gonna rise. O when I'm prayin' on my knees and my heart is gripped with agony, I'm waitin' for the mornin' when the sun is gonna rise up! I'm waitin' and though the shadows of pain and death try to shroud my soul with hopelessness, I'm waitin' for the mornin' when the sun is gonna rise. When my joy and strength are almost gone, I'm gonna keep the faith and just hold on, 'cause I'm waitin' for the mornin' when the sun is gonna rise up! And when the darkness tries to overcome, it won't last forever and will soon be done, so I'm waitin' for the mornin' when the sun is gonna rise.

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 43:16-21 (Pew Bible, OT, p.521) Brittany Bundeff

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Prayers of Confession Carol Wilkinson

Leader: If we ask God to restore us to the way we have been,
then we have not asked for as much as God intends to give.
God is not content simply to return or restore us to former things.
Instead, God seeks to give the gift of resurrection —
a new and abundant life.

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Leader: With confidence in God's generosity,
we confess our sins and seek the new life offered in Jesus Christ.

**People: Holy God of newness and surprise,
we grow comfortable with the way things are in our lives,
in the church, and in the world.
We do not always welcome the new life you offer in Christ,
for you overturn our notions of power and protocol.
Sure of our own righteousness, we are critical of others.
Wanting to control our assets, we hoard the gifts you give us.
Forgive us, we pray, for seeking our gain at the expense of others.
Help us to bend our lives toward your own life of self-giving and sacrifice.
Fill us, our homes and churches, the whole world,
with the abundant love of Christ until all are made new.
In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

Words of Assurance Carol Wilkinson

Leader: Sisters and brothers,
the apostle Paul reminds us that we do not make ourselves righteous.
Our righteousness comes through faith in Christ, who has made us his own.
Hear the good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
The old life has passed away — and a new life has begun.

**People: Forgetting what lies behind,
and straining forward to what lies ahead,
we press on toward the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.**

Anthem: *And Can It Be?* D. Forrest

Sanctuary Choir

And can it be? Amazing love, how can it be? And can it be that I should gain
an interest in the Savior's blood? Died He for me who caused His pain? For
me who Him to death pursued? Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my
God, shouldst die for me? He left His Father's throne above, so free, so infi-
nite His grace; emptied Himself of all but love, and bled for Adam's helpless
race; 'tis mercy all, immense and free; for, O my God, it found out me. No
condemnation now I dread, Jesus and all in Him is mine! Alive in Him, my
living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine. Bold I approach the eternal
throne, and claim the crown through Christ my own. Amazing love, how can
it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me? Amazing love!

Gospel Lesson: John 12:1-8 (Pew Bible, NT, p.81)..... Andrew Bundeff

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Hymn 365: *More Love to Thee, O Christ* MORE LOVE TO THEE

Prayers for the People David Williamson

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.**

Sermon: "Newness Is Coming" Amy McClure

Celebration of Communion

*Hymn of Response 472: *Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus* LEMMEL

*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 Joy Gambill

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* arr. L. Scholes

Youth Handbell Ensemble

*Doxology WONDROUS LOVE

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; to
 God and to the Lamb I will sing. To God and to the Lamb, who
 is the great "I AM," while mil-lions join the theme, I will sing, I will
 sing; while mil-lions join the theme, I will sing!

*Benediction Amy McClure

Postlude: *Christ Lag in Todesbanden* G. Böhm

Jacob Hill, Organ

*Those who are able will please stand.

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BECOMING: STORYTELLING WITH THE SAINTS

"Therefore since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses," says the writer of Hebrews, "let us run the race of faith set before us." So great is our cloud, dear church! Saints that have gone before us, saints right here among us, and saints to come combine to form the cloud, cheering us on as we become the men and women, boys and girls, the church God would have us to be.

The cloud of witnesses that envelops First Baptist are witnesses who are becoming -- never done or complete, but always available to God's work in their life. This spring, we will hear from a number of them as they tell stories of their own becoming. We'll do so on Wednesday nights through May 1, 6:15-7:15 pm in Kelly Auditorium. Our topics in the coming weeks will be:

April 10 - *Becoming Deep and Wide*: Stories from those who desire to be growing in number and faithfulness

April 17 - No gathering due to Holy Week / Spring Break

April 24 - *Becoming Discoverers* : Stories from those who lead us to become a teaching and learning church

May 1 - *Becoming Disciples*: Stories of saints-in-progress

JOIN US FOR SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICES DURING HOLY WEEK

April 14 - 10:30 am | Palm Sunday
Children's Lenten Lunch immediately follows worship

April 15, 16, 17 - 12:15 pm | Midday contemplative prayer service

April 18 - 7:00 pm | Maundy Thursday

April 19 - 7:00 pm | Good Friday Tenebrae

April 21 - 10:30 am | Easter Sunday
No Sunday school-join us for brunch beginning at 9:15 am in Kelly Auditorium. Please bring a brunch goodie (ie. breakfast casseroles, fruit, pastries) to share.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR APRIL 28!

Our next Quarterly Church Conference will be held on Sunday, April 28, in Kelly Auditorium immediately following worship. Lunch will be served.

Later that day, a service of ordination for Kaylee Godfrey will be held in our sanctuary beginning at 5:00 pm. Join us for this special time of worship and affirmation as Kaylee is ordained to the gospel ministry. A reception will follow.

SUNDAY, April 7

9:15 am Bible Study
10:30 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)
5:00 pm Youth Dinner & Worship (A-L Commons)

MONDAY, April 8

4:00 pm Nominating Committee Meeting (Conference Room)
5:45 pm House & Grounds Committee Meeting (A-L Commons)

TUESDAY, April 9

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

WEDNESDAY, April 10

3:00 pm Youth Commons Time (A-L Commons)
4:00 pm Children & Youth Snack Time (A-L Commons)
4:30 pm Children's (3rd-5th) Handbells (Music Suite)
4:30 pm Youth Handbells (Sanctuary)
5:00 pm Pre-K Music & Missions (Children's Loft)
5:00 pm School-Age Music & Missions (Music Suite)
5:30 pm Wednesday Night Meal (Kelly Auditorium)
6:15 pm "Becoming" series (Kelly Auditorium)
7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

THURSDAY, April 11

5:30 pm Adult Handbell Choir (Sanctuary)

SATURDAY, April 13

9:00 am Church Workday

SUNDAY, April 14 Palm Sunday

9:15 am Bible Study
9:15 am First Impressions (A-L Commons)
10:30 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)
11:45 am Children's Lenten Lunch (Kelly Auditorium)

SERVING TODAY

Deacons of the WeekJoy Gambill, Gary Stiffler
Nursery: Babies-OnesAnne Rais
Nursery: Twos-PreKMeredith Parker

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.

CURRENT DONATION NEEDS

Crisis Control Toilet Tissue
Samaritan Ministries Canned goods, coffee

YOUTH DATES TO NOTE

April 7 - Dinner & worship 5:00 pm A-L Commons
April 14 - Lunch & missions/Children's Palm Sunday event
April 21 - Easter Sunday (no meetings)
April 28 - Dinner & worship 5:00 pm A-L Commons

WEDNESDAY MENU: APRIL 10

Chicken wings, deviled eggs, veggies and fruit

CHURCH WORK DAY APRIL 13

As we continue to do so much work on the exterior of our church, naturally we want our interior to experience a "face lift" as well. This spring fix up time coincides with the lead up to Easter, when we anticipate welcoming many visitors. There are many tasks that could use an extra set of hands—from hanging pictures to touching up paint on the handrails to assembling visitor packs to distribute on Easter Sunday. Please join us Saturday, April 13, to help out with some tasks. We'll begin at 9:00 am.

DEVOTIONAL CLASSICS IN THE COMMONS

Tuesdays, 6:45-7:45am in the Commons
Our Tuesday morning co-ed small group with Pastor David continues. We are studying Adam Hamilton's John: the Gospel of Light and Life. For more information please contact David at 722-2558 ext. 118 or dwilliamson@firstonfifth.org.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ARE DUE

The Scholarship Committee is now accepting applications for the Blackwell Scholarship and Ida Tilson Scholarship for the 2019/20 school year. The Blackwell Scholarship was established in 1945 by the Blackwell family to provide funds for students who are preparing for a career in church ministry. The Ida Tilson Scholarship Fund was established in 1981 to provide scholarships, granted on the basis of need, to students enrolled at "institutions of learning and study." To request an application, please call the church office at 336-722-2558 or email baxley@wfu.edu. All applications must be submitted to the church office no later than 12:00 noon, Wednesday, April 17, 2019.

EASTER LILY ORDERS

We will be decorating the sanctuary with Easter lilies on Easter Sunday, April 21. To place a lily in memory or honor of a loved one, please complete the form located outside the A-L Commons and return it with your payment to the church office by Monday, April 15. The cost is \$14.50 each.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS & JOINING SUNDAY

*First Impressions - April 14
Joining Sunday - April 21*

All new or prospective members to First Baptist are invited to join in "First Impressions" on Sunday, April 14, to learn more about life at First Baptist. Led by our pastoral staff and sponsored by our Outreach Ministry Team, First Impressions familiarizes newcomers with an in-depth look at First Baptist, including ways in which people can connect with one another, get involved in ministry, and join the church. These First Impressions gatherings will be held 9:15–10:15 am in the Ammons-Lolley Commons.

Our next "Joining Sunday" is planned for Sunday, April 21! 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. For information on "First Impressions" or "Joining Sunday", please contact Pastor Emily at ehullmcgee@firstonfifth.org.

PALM SUNDAY COAT COLLECTION

The Children's Ministry Team is asking everyone to bring coats and jackets to use for our Palm Sunday service. Following the service, the children's ministry team will donate the coats and jackets to the rescue mission. Please bring your coat/jacket for donation and place it in the donation bins on the ground level of the church by April 13 or bring it with you the morning of Palm Sunday and give to Pastor Amy in the sanctuary prior to the service.

VOLUNTEER THIS TUESDAY AT DRESS FOR SUCCESS

The second Tuesday of April is here and that means it's our Volunteer Day at Dress for Success. Come anytime between 9:30 am and 1:00 pm and stay as long as you like. We had a great group last month and we hope you are able to come and bring a friend! For questions contact Nancy Baxley at ncbaxley@gmail.com, or 336-734-9320.

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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