



Wounded Hands of Christ, artist unknown

“No matter how much we know, we don’t know enough to know what Jesus is going to do next. And no matter how familiar we are with the traditions and customs and privileges that go with being on God’s side, we aren’t familiar enough to know how Jesus fits into it.

No religious skills that any of us acquire will ever produce resurrection, and no spiritual strategies that we work out will ever produce resurrection. Following Jesus doesn’t get us where we want to go. It gets us to where Jesus goes, where we met him in resurrection surprise: ‘My Lord and my God!’”

+ Eugene Peterson, *The Jesus Way*

First Baptist Church on Fifth, Winston-Salem

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday, April 16, 2023 • 11:00 AM

PRELUDE: *Offertoire, o Filii et Filiae*

J. Dandrieu

Jacob Hill, Organ

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Emily Hull McGee

CALL TO WORSHIP

Zack Jackson

Leader: Blessed be the God of our Savior, Jesus Christ!

All: God has given us a new birth in the living hope of the resurrection.

Leader: God has given us an inheritance that is imperishable and unfading.

All: In this we rejoice, even when we suffer trials.

Leader: For although we have not seen Jesus, we love him;
and although we have not seen him, we believe in him.

All: For the outcome of our faith is the salvation of our souls.

*HYMN 210: *I Know That My Redeemer Lives*

DUKE STREET

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Amy McClure

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

GOSPEL LESSON: John 20:19-31

Amy McClure

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

David Williamson

Leader O Jesus Christ, risen and triumphant Lord,
we come to you in sorrow for our sins
and confess to you our weakness and unbelief:
We have lived by our own strength,
and not by the power of your resurrection.

All: Lord, in your mercy, forgive us.

Leader: We have lived by the light of our own eyes,
as faithless and not believing.
Like Thomas, we have demanded proof beyond faith,
and evidence beyond our doubts.

**All: Lord, in your mercy, forgive us.
Lift our minds above earthly things,
set them on things above.
Show us your glory and your power,
that we may serve you gladly all our days. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE: *Come Find His Rest*

E. Dewar/arr. D. Forrest

Sanctuary Choir
Lena Withrow, Soloist

Come, weary one, leave thy labors; come, lift thy head, see thy Savior and Friend. His arms are opened wide; O soul, be satisfied. Come find his rest. Take his yoke upon thee, for he is gentle and lowly in heart. So learn from Christ the Lord, thy Portion and Reward. Come find his rest. I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest; lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast." I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad; I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Amelia Britt

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: *Resurrection Way of Surprise*

Emily Hull McGee

***HYMN OF RESPONSE 634: We Walk By Faith**

FAITH'S JOURNEY

God calls all to respond! Our church welcomes you to share a new desire to follow Jesus or to join our congregation as a member. As we sing, please come to the front and share your commitment with one of our ministers.

***PRAYER FOR THE GIFTS WE GIVE**

Joanne Henley

The giving of our material possessions, as well as our very lives, is an important part of active, vibrant worship. At the conclusion of the worship service you will find offering plates at the exit doors for those who would like to make a financial contribution to support the ministries of First Baptist Church. If you would like to give online, you will find additional information in this worship guide and at our website, firstonfifth.org.

THE LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Emily Hull McGee

CALLED CHURCH CONFERENCE

***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

POSTLUDE: Festival March

M. Sandresky

Jacob Hill, Organ

*Those who are able will please stand.

The Resurrection Way

Eastertide at First on Fifth

As our year "On the Way" draws to a close, we'll spend our Eastertide together talking about what it means to live "the resurrection way" of Jesus. Join us!

April 16 | John 20:19-31
The Resurrection Way of Surprise

April 23 | John 21:1-19
The Resurrection Way of Memory
Zack Jackson, proclaimer

April 30 | Luke 24:13-35
The Resurrection Way of Recognition

May 7 | John 14:1-14
The Resurrection Way Home

May 14 | John 14:15-21
The Resurrection Way That Abides

May 21 | Acts 1:1-11
The Resurrection Way of Witness

May 28 | Pentecost Sunday | Acts 2:1-21
The Resurrection Way of Us

June 4 | Matthew 28:16-20
The Resurrection Way Ahead

FLOWERS

The flowers today are given in honor of the 70th anniversary of the marriage of Bob and Patricia Owen.

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SERVING TODAY

Deacon of the Week: Joanne Henley and Joseph Jones
Children & Families Greeter: Kim Wilkinson
Streaming and Sound Team: Billy Choe, Martha Greene, Greg Ryder, Judy Eustice, Jeff Burchette, Ash Henley

IF YOU ARE NEW, WELCOME!

If you are visiting with us today for the first time, we welcome you! Please fill out a Connection Card located in the back of the pews, and give it to a minister or drop into the offering plate after worship. This allows us to extend our hospitality and connect you deeply with our church. If you're visiting with young children, we welcome them in whatever way is best for your family! Creative resources for our little ones guide their experience of worship in the Sanctuary, and worship care for infants – kindergarten is available in the nursery on the first floor. Masking is optional in the Sanctuary. The balcony continues to be reserved for those preferring an even greater distance. Extra masks and hand sanitizer are available at all three entrances to the sanctuary. We're glad you're here!

HOW WE SUSTAIN MINISTRY THROUGH FBC

Thank you for giving faithfully to God through the ministries of our church! Should you desire to give today to God's work of Love through First on Fifth, you can do so by placing your gift in the offering plates upon your exit from the room, or by scanning the QR code to give online. Because you will need to enter your personal financial information when registering online, we encourage you to set up your account on a secure network at home before using the app for the first time.



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ON FIFTH

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Directories are Here!

At long last, First Baptist Church on Fifth has a new church pictorial directory, and it's ready for you to pick up today! After church, please make your way to Kelly to pick up your family's copy of the directory. After each family receives one, we will sell additional copies in the coming weeks for \$10/each. Huge thanks to the efforts of staff members Amy McClure, Abigail Cook, and Sally Barbour for bringing the directory to life!

April 16 | New Curriculum for Children

Our 2nd - 5th graders will participate in an 8-week course with Nancy Baxley, written by CBF Global called, "Seeing Through the Eyes of Jesus." Children will meet in the children's loft each Sunday at 9:30am. Our Pre-K - 1st graders will continue to meet as usual.

April 16, May 21 | Congregational Conversations

These Sunday conversations over lunch are leading us to consider how we are the church (today and tomorrow) in a thriving and sustainable way. Our next conversation is *today*, April 16 on *Governing and Staffing: Resources of People* and again May 21 on *Funding: Resources of Money*. Today's lunch has already been purchased for those who RSVP'd but feel free to join in the conversation.

April 25 | Older Adults' Lunch Outing

All adults of retirement age and older are invited to join us for lunch on Tuesday, April 25 at 11:30 AM at Southern Family Restaurant located off of Yadkinville Road. Please sign up by April 17 so we know you are coming! You can do so by contacting Amy McClure (amy@firstonfifth.org).

April 25 | Quarterly Church Conference

As is our custom, we will gather to do the regular business of the church for our Quarterly Church Conference (QCC) Tuesday night, April 25, 2023, at 6:30PM via Zoom.

April 27 | Compassionate Samaritans' Mental Health 101

On Thursday, April 27, First on Fifth will be the host site for the Compassionate Samaritans' event called "Mental Health 101." Attendees will learn from topics around physical surroundings and mental health, led by local leaders such as Andy Hagler, Executive

Director of Mental Health Association of Forsyth County, and Kristin Ryan, Behavioral Evaluation and Response (BEAR) Team Director. This event is hosted by our Missions Committee, and will take place on Thursday, April 27, 2023, 6:00 PM, in Baraca Room.

April 30 | Youth: Church on the Mount

The youth are headed to Pilot Mountain for a pilgrimage of their own! We will enjoy hiking, friends, and food! Plan to meet at the church parking lot by 9:30 AM with a signed permission slip. We will return by 1 PM. To RSVP to Zack (zack@firstonfifth.org) or Amelia (amelia@firstonfifth.org).

April 30 | First Impressions for New Folks

All new or prospective members to First Baptist are invited to join in our First Impressions class. First Impressions familiarizes newcomers with an in-depth look at First Baptist, including ways in which people can connect, get involved in ministry, and join the church. This First Impressions gathering will be held on Sunday, April 30, from 12:00-1:30PM in Kelly Auditorium. Please RSVP to Pastor Emily at emily@firstonfifth.org by Friday, April 28.

May 6 | Reynolda House Museum of American Art

We will travel to see the exhibition, "Stephen Towns: Declaration & Resistance," which examines the American dream through the lives of Black Americans from 10-11:30 AM. We will meet inside the main entrance at 9:45 a.m. The cost is \$10 per person. Checks should be made payable to First Baptist Church on Fifth. Space is limited, and reservations are due by April 15. Sign up through our newsletter.

Seeking Donations | Crisis Control

The gift for April is instant oatmeal and grits. Please drop off donations in the lower level bins. Thank you!

Seeking Volunteers | Ashley Academy

There are a number of ways you can get involved in both one-time missional volunteer opportunities and ongoing opportunities to volunteer your time to help others in our Winston-Salem Community. One such way is by joining our team of tutors for children at Ashley Academy. Contact Joani Hughes (joanirhughes@gmail.com) if you are interested.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST

SUNDAY, April 16

- 9:00 am Sunday Bible Study (*online*)
- 9:30 am Sunday Bible Study Adults, Youth, and Children (*in person*)
- 10:30 am Coffee and Conversation (*Commons*)
- 11:00 am Worship (*Sanctuary & online*)
- 12:00 pm Congregational Conversation (*Kelly*)

MONDAY, April 17

TUESDAY, April 18

- 5:00 pm Finance Committee (*online*)
- 7:00 pm Fellow Travelers (*online*)
- 8:00 pm Evening Prayer (*online*)

WEDNESDAY, April 19

- 11:00 am A Survey of the Bible (*Kelly*)
- 1:00 pm Staff Meeting (*Commons*)
- 5:30 pm Adult Handbells (*Sanctuary*)
- 6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir (*Choir Room*)

THURSDAY, April 20

- 10:00 am Older Adult Fellowship (*online*)
- 11:00 am Older Adult Team (*online*)
- 5:45 pm Children's Ministry Team (*online*)

FRIDAY, April 21

SATURDAY, April 22

SUNDAY, April 23

- 9:00 am Sunday Bible Study (*online*)
- 9:30 am Sunday Bible Study Adults, Youth, and Children (*in person*)
- 10:30 am Coffee and Conversation (*Commons*)
- 11:00 am Worship (*Sanctuary & online*)

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Monday - Thursday, 8:30am - 5:00pm
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