

"In [Jesus], the extravagance of God's love is made flesh. In him, the excessiveness of God's mercy is made manifest.

This bottle will not be held back to be kept and admired. This precious substance will not be saved. It will be opened, offered, and used, at great price. It will be raised up and poured out for all humankind, emptied to the last drop.

Whatever they need, there will be enough to go around, for there is nothing frugal about the love of God, or about the lives of those who serve him."

+ Barbara Brown Taylor

*Brazen Beauty*, by Rev. Lisle Gwyn Garrity



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## First Baptist Church on Fifth, Winston-Salem

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT  
Sunday, April 6, 2025 • 11:00 AM

PRELUDE: *Suite Breve, I. Prelude*

C. Philips

Jacob Hill, Organ

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Emily Hull McGee

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 126

Kyle Caudle

Leader: When the LORD restored our fortunes, we were like those who dream.

**All: Then our mouths were filled with laughter,  
and our tongues with shouts of joy;**

Leader: Then it was said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."

**All: The LORD has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.**

Leader: Restore our fortunes, O LORD;  
May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.

**All: Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing,  
shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.**

\*HYMN 366: *O God Beyond All Praising*

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GOSPEL LESSON: John 12:1-8

Anna Harris

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Mary Kaylor

### 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.

### ANTHEM: *My Eternal King*

J. Marshall

Sanctuary Choir

My God, I love Thee; not because I hope for heaven thereby, nor yet because  
who love Thee not must die eternally. Thou, O my Jesus, Thou didst me upon  
the cross embrace; For me didst bear the nails and spear, and manifold  
disgrace; Why, then, why O blessed Jesus Christ, should I not love Thee well?  
Not for the hope of winning heaven, or of escaping hell; not with the hope of  
gaining aught, not seeking a reward; but as Thyself hast loved me, O  
ever-loving Lord! E'en so I love Thee, and will love, and in Thy praise will sing;  
solely because Thou art my God, and my Eternal King.

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Amy McClure

Leader: The selfless, sacrificial love of Jesus calls us to respond in love.  
Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard,  
anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair.  
How shall we bear witness to the costly love of God?

*A silence is kept.*

Let us pray:

**All: Eternal and ever-loving God,  
in this Lenten season our hearts have been moved  
by Jesus' courageous, faithful, loving journey to the cross.  
Forgive us for a discipleship of convenience.  
Forgive us for a lukewarm devotion.  
Forgive us for preaching a better gospel than we live.  
In gratitude for your grace and mercy, we offer to you our very lives.  
O Eternal King, may you reign in our hearts forever. Amen.**

### WORDS OF ASSURANCE: Philippians 3:7-14

David Williamson

Leader: Friends, hear this good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Leader: As sign and symbol of our desire to live in the spirit and example of Jesus,  
let us share his peace with these words: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

*(Please share the peace with those around you.)*

SERMON: "Clear Out Your Caution"

Emily Hull McGee

## CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE 619: *Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine*

ASSURANCE

*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

Sheree Jones

*The giving of our material possessions, as well as our very lives, is an important part of active, vibrant worship of which all are invited to participate. In a moment, offering plates will be passed for you to share your 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 on our website, [firstonfifth.org](http://firstonfifth.org).*

## GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

## THE LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

Kyle Caudle

## 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

Emily Hull McGee

POSTLUDE: *Suite Breve, V. Epilogue*

C. Philips

Jacob Hill, Organ

\*Those who are able will please stand.

### **SERVING TODAY**

Deacon of the Week:

Sheree Jones and Anna Harris

Children & Families Greeter:

Kim Wilkinson

Streaming and Sound Team:

Billy Choe, Martha Greene, Greg Ryder,  
Judy Eustice, Jeff Burchette, Amber Myers

### **BENEVOLENCE OFFERING**

At the conclusion of the worship service today you will be given an opportunity to contribute to the Benevolence Fund. This fund provides confidential financial assistance for individuals in times of crisis and is made possible by designated contributions. If you would like to contribute, please make your check payable to First Baptist Church, designated to the Benevolence Fund. Any cash offering received that is not designated in an envelope will be allocated to the Benevolence Fund.

### **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 after worship. This allows us to extend our hospitality and connect you deeply within the life of 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 through kindergarteners is available in the nursery on the first floor. The balcony continues to be reserved for those preferring extra distance. We're so glad you're here!

### **SUPPORTING GOD'S WORK OF LOVE THROUGH FIRST BAPTIST ON FIFTH**

Thank you for giving faithfully to God through the ministries of our church! Should you desire to give today, you can do so by placing your gift in the offering plates 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.



### **LISTENING ASSIST AVAILABLE**

We are so excited to announce that our listening assist program is officially up and running. To access these services, scan the QR code to download the Listen Everywhere app to your smartphone. Make sure you are connected to the firstonfifth-guest WIFI network. Password: boldandboundless. Select the main channel on the app, ensure the sound is unmuted in the bottom left corner, and listen through your headphones or hearing aids!



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**BOLD LOVE. BOUNDLESS COMPASSION.**



FIRST BAPTIST  
ON FIFTH  
ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Holy Week at First on Fifth**

**April 13 | Palm Sunday**

Palms and hosannas fill the air as we enter Holy Week.

**April 17 | Maundy Thursday Worship, 7 pm**

We gather in Kelly Auditorium to practice the “new commandment” from Jesus through the earthy, tangible symbols of communion & handwashing.

**April 18 | Stations of the Cross, 6:30pm**

Take time for reflection by walking the stations of the Cross prior to our Good Friday service. We will offer an extended, meditative prelude during this time featuring internationally acclaimed violinist, Ida Bieler.

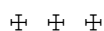
**April 18 | Good Friday Tenebrae Worship, 7pm**

The shadows of the cross beckon us to the scriptures and stories from Jesus’ final hours with music by the Sanctuary Choir.

**April 20 | Easter Sunday**

Easter joy reminds us: death is never the end of the story! Bring flowers from your garden and join for breakfast goodies by the flower cross at 9:30.

Worship at 11am will feature music by our Sanctuary Choir and the Appalachian State University Graduate Brass Quintet.



**April 6 | Missions Event: Immigration Education**

The Missions Committee invites you to an educational evening with Immigration Attorney Helen Parsonage tonight at 6:00 pm in Baraca to explore immigration issues in our current context. Contact Kyle with any questions.

**April 11 | First Films**

This spring we take a glimpse of the life journeys of others. Join us at 6:30pm to Enjoy popcorn, refreshments, and an edifying experience with pew-mates and guests in the Commons. In April we’ll view the film: *Adam* (2019) 1hr 38mins.

**April 12 | Children’s Ministry Outing**

Children and their families are invited to join for a fun afternoon in Greensboro at the ParTee Shack on Saturday, April 12 from 10:00- 2:00! Cost is \$15 for Adults and \$11 for Kids (ages 3-12). In between golf games, we’ll enjoy a pizza lunch from the snack bar. \*Please bring extra money to cover your lunch.\* If you have any questions, contact Kim Wilkinson.

**Seeking Donations | Crisis Control**

The gifts for April are Applesauce & Canned Fruit. Please drop off donations in the first floor bins. Thank you!

**April 14 | Appalachian State Tour Concert**

The ASU University and Chamber Singers spring tour is coming to First on Fifth, Monday, April 14, at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. These auditioned ensembles are the premier choral ensembles of the Hayes School of Music, and this concert is offered free of charge and open to the public as part of their tour.

**April 16 | Older Adult Lunch**

Please join us at 11:30 am for some fellowship and a special program as we eat some good food at one of our favorite places, Southern Family Restaurant! RSVP in your newsletter!

**April 18 | Good Friday Youth Event**

All youth are invited for an Easter experience on April 18 with other youth groups in East Bend. Presented by SPARK, this event will feature baking bread and cooking, spiritual formation, and serving others. Depart from church at 8:30am and return at 2:00pm. For more information contact [kyle@firstonfifth.org](mailto:kyle@firstonfifth.org).

**April 25-27 | Churchwide Camping Trip**

First on Fifth will be camping at nearby Morrow Mountain State Park on Friday, April 25 - Sunday, April 27! There are a few camp sites remaining. Stay one or two nights, but know that all cabins must be reserved for 2 nights’ stay. Come for rest, renewal, and fun, as we enjoy fellowship together in the great outdoors! If you would like to attend please contact Kyle.

**April 29 | Quarterly Church Conference**

As is our custom, we will gather to do the regular business of the church for our Quarterly Church Conference (QCC) on Tuesday night, April 29, 2025, at 6:30 pm in Kelly Auditorium.

**Summer Supper Clubs**

Back by popular demand! This summer the New Member Ministry Team invites you to take part in supper clubs during the months of June, July, and August. These small, intergenerational groups will gather periodically for food and fellowship. Groups will be randomly assigned. Sign up in your Newsletter.

**Seeking Donations | Una Bendición**

The Missions Committee invites you to donate diapers size 3, 4, 5, and 6 to Una Bendición. This ministry provides a point of connection between Spanish-speaking families and the many available resources in our city. Please place donations by the Crisis Control bins on the first floor.

## THIS WEEK AT FIRST

### SUNDAY, April 6

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

### MONDAY, April 7

11:00 am Governance Task Force (*online*)  
6:00 pm Outreach Ministry Team (*online*)

### TUESDAY, April 8

7:30 am Devotional Classics (*Baraca*)  
5:00 pm Nominating Committee (*online*)  
7:00 pm Lent Book Study (*online*)  
8:00 pm Evening Prayer (*online*)

### WEDNESDAY, April 9

1:00 pm Staff Meeting (*Commons*)  
5:30 pm Handbell Rehearsals  
(*Sanctuary & Music Suite*)  
6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
(*Choir Room*)

### THURSDAY, April 10

10:00 am Downtown Walking Group

### FRIDAY, April 11

6:30 pm First Films (*Commons*)

### SATURDAY, April 12

10:00 am Children's Ministry Outing (*offsite*)  
11:00 am Jean Grogan Funeral

### SUNDAY, April 13

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

### OFFICE HOURS

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