



First Baptist Church

JEFFERSON CITY TENNESSEE



THE WORSHIP OF GOD Second Sunday of Easter

April 12, 2026

10:45am

Centering Words

In You I take refuge. In You I find life.
May I keep you always before me.

Welcome/Opportunities for Service/Invocation

Chad Hartsock

Prelude

It Is Well with My Soul/Be Still My Soul

arr. Keveren

Musical Call to Worship

God's Peace

Dawn/Adams

Worship Ensemble

Come away from rush and hurry
to the stillness of God's peace;
from our vain ambition's worry,
come to Christ and find release.
Come away from noise and clamor,
life's demands and frenzied pace;
come to join the people gathered
here to seek and find God's grace.

In the pastures of God's goodness
we lie down to rest our soul.
From the waters of God's mercy
we drink deeply, are made whole.
At the table of God's presence
all the saints are richly fed.
With the oil of God's anointing
into service we are led.

Come, then, children with your burdens,
life's confusions fears and pain.
Leave them at the cross of Jesus,
take instead his kingdom's reign.
Bring your thirsts for He will quench them,
He alone will satisfy.
All our longings find attainment
when to self we gladly die.
Come away from rush and hurry
to the stillness of God's peace.

***Hymn of Identity 256**

We Are People of God's Peace

TEMPUS ADEST FLORIDUM

(Children, meet your leader at the front of the sanctuary for Bible Study.)

Scripture Reading

1 Peter 1:3-9

Karen Smith

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By His great mercy He has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen Him, you love Him; and even though you do not see Him now, you believe in Him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

***Hymn of Testimony 622**

He Lives

ACKLEY

Pastoral Prayer

Major Treadway

Prayer Response 405 (verses 1 and 2)

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

BRADBURY

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in His hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in His side, I will not believe."

A week later His disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in His name.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

***Hymn of Perseverance 634**

We Walk by Faith

FAITH'S JOURNEY

Offertory Prayer

Jim Wilson

Offertory

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Kingsmore

***Response of Thanksgiving (307 tune)**

LASST UNS ERFRUEN/Lutie

Praise God whose mercies never cease;
 Praise Christ the Dawn, our Easter peace!
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 Praise Spirit, making all things new;
 One God, we sing our thanks to You!
 Alleluia, alleluia,
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Musical Offering

Christ, Our Hope in Life and Death

arr. Duren

Worship Ensemble; Brendan Dunn, acoustic;
Cary Bible, bass; Cameron Rowlett, drums

What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone! Christ alone!
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to Him belong.
Who holds our days within His hand?
What comes, apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ, in which we stand.

Chorus

O sing, "Hallelujah!"
Our hope springs eternal.
O sing, "Hallelujah!"
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death!
What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good! God is good!
Where is His grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood.
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
unto the shore, the rock of Christ. [repeat Chorus]
Unto the grave, what will we sing?
"Christ, He lives! Christ, He lives!"
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with Him.
There we will rise to meet the Lord,
Then sin and death will be destroyed.
And we will feast in endless joy,
When Christ is ours forevermore! [repeat Chorus]
He is our hope! He is our hope!

Sermon

From Presents to Presence

Major Treadway

Communion

Time of Reflection and Response

I Know Whom I Have Believed

arr. Page

*Hymn of Unity and Service 467

We Are One in Christ

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*If you can do so, please stand for this portion of the service.

The Coming Week at FBC

Sunday, April 12

2:00pm Church Advisory Council/Choir Suite
5:00pm Youth Gathering/Room 214

Monday, April 13

6:00pm Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall
7:00pm Boy Scouts/Fellowship Hall
7:30pm Upper Room Ladies Bible Study/Zoom

Tuesday, April 14

1:00pm Staff Meeting/Church Office

Wednesday, April 15

4:00pm Wednesday's Neighbors/Parlor
5:00pm WNS (Soup)/Fellowship Hall
6:00pm Music Makers/Room 103
6:00pm Common Prayer and Bible Study/Choir Suite
6:45pm Worship Ensemble Rehearsal/Choir Suite

Thursday, April 16

8:30am Men's Breakfast/Bojangles

Friday, April 17- Church Office Closed

Readings for Today:

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Psalm 16

1 Peter 1:3-9

John 20:19-31

Readings for Next Sunday:

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Psalm 116:1-4,12-19

1 Peter 1:17-23

Luke: 24:13-35

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Deacons & Minister of the Week: April 12 - April 18

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