FirstBaptistChurch
JEFFERSON CITY TENNESSEE

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
Easter Sunday

April 20, 2025 10:45am

Prelude *Regal Celebration* Dobrinski
Handbells: Julia Bass, Thomas Bass, Amanda Eldridge, Kaylin Hartsock, Steven Lloyd, Kristi Sanford, Addison Snyder, Caroline Snyder, Noah Snyder; Angie France, director

Anthem of Celebration
Christ Is Risen! Alleluia! Larson
Worship Ensemble

Christ is risen! Alleluia!
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Christ is risen! Alleluia! Risen our victorious head!
Sing His praises! Alleluia!
Christ is risen from the dead!
Gratefully our hearts adore Him
as His light once more appears;
Bowing down in joy before Him,
Rising up from grief and tears.
Christ is risen!
All the sadness of our Lenten fast is o'er;
Through the open gates of gladness
He returns to life once more!

Christ triumphed and we conquer
by His mighty enterprise;
we with Him to life eternal
by His resurrection rise!

Christ is risen! Heaven rejoices:
Jesus lives who once was dead.
Shout with joy, O deathless voices!
Child of God, lift up your head!
Child of God, lift up your head!

Christ is risen! Alleluia!
Christ is risen! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Welcome/Invocation Chad Hartsock

***Hymn of Eastertide 222** *Thine Is the Glory* MACCABEUS

Offertory Prayer Ken Morton

Offertory *Glorious Risen Lord* arr. Lee

Response of Thanksgiving (307 tune) LASST UNS ERFRUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Loving God, whom we adore. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Scripture Reading Luke 24:1-12 Carolyn Blevins

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women went to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to the hands of sinners and be crucified and on the third day rise again.” Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to

the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

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

***Hymn of the Risen Christ (83 tune)**

When It Seemed That Love Was Dying HYFRYDOL

When it seemed that Love was dying,
hope and joy forever gone,
Friends of Jesus, fearful, wondered
who would help them carry on.
Joseph came to claim the body,
Nicodemus, too, was there,
bravely showing their allegiance,
handling Him with tender care.

In a borrowed tomb they laid him,
breathless, broken, and alone;
Then, before they left the garden,
sealed the doorway with a stone.
Women, watching, stood by weeping,
lost in sorrow, deep in gloom,
never dreaming God would bring forth
life anew from barren womb.

Sunday, when the tomb was empty,
Mary cried in great dismay,
till she heard these words of greeting:
"Jesus Christ is risen today.
Fear not! Go and tell the others:
There's no need to weep or cry.
Earth is filled with alleluias!
Hope and love will never die!"

Mary and the others found their friends
who hid in fear and grief.
"Wipe your tears and gather courage!
Hear this news beyond belief:
We have seen Him! Christ is living!
God has rolled away the stone!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God!
We are not alone!"

When it seemed that Love was dying,
Love showed it could rise again,
filling empty hearts with courage,
hope, and joy, a glad "Amen!"
Let us, too, be alleluias, serving you, Lord, to the end.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Live in us now, Risen Friend!*

Pastoral Prayer Major Treadway

Musical Offering

See, What a Morning Getty/Townend/arr. Shackley

Worship Ensemble; Cary Bible, guitar; Ian Braun, drums

See, what a morning, gloriously bright,
With the dawning of hope in Jerusalem.
Folded the grave-clothes, tomb filled with light,
As the angels announce, "Christ is risen!"
See God's salvation plan, wrought in love,
borne in pain, paid in sacrifice.
Fulfilled in Christ the Man,
for He lives, Christ is risen from the dead.

See Mary weeping, "Where is He laid?"
As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb.
Hears a voice speaking, calling her name;
it's the Master, the Lord, raised to life again!

The voice that spans the years, speaking life,
stirring hope, bringing peace to us,
will sound 'til He appears,
for He lives, Christ is risen from the dead.

One with the Father, Ancient of Days,
through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty.
Honor and blessing, glory and praise
to the King crowned with pow'r and authority.

And we are raised with Him;
Death is dead, love has won,
Christ has conquered.
And we shall reign with Him, for He lives,
Christ is risen from the dead!

Sermon *Remember* Major Treadway

Time of Response and Reflection

Easter Hymn arr. Smith

***Hymn of Departing of Faith 208**
He is Lord HE IS LORD

Musical Benediction *He Is Risen Medley* arr. Hale
Angie France, organ; Melanie Simpson, piano
(Congregation please remain seated.)

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

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The Coming Week at FBC

Sunday, April 20
5:00pm Youth Gathering/Room 214

Monday, April 21
6:00pm Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall
7:00pm Boy Scouts/Fellowship Hall
7:30pm Upper Room Ladies Bible Study/Zoom

Tuesday, April 22
10:00am Tuesday's Neighbors/Parlor
1:00pm Staff Meeting/Church Office

Wednesday, April 23
9:30am Community Bible Study/Room 301
5:00pm WNS (Chicken) Fellowship Hall
5:00pm Youth Gathering/Room 214
6:00pm Music Makers/Room 218
6:00pm Common Prayer Bible Study/Music Ste.
6:45pm Worship Ensemble Rehearsal/Music Ste.

***Thursday,* April 24**
8:30am Men's Breakfast/Bojangles

Friday, April 25—Church Office Closed

Readings for next Sunday, April 27, 2025:
Acts 5:27-32; Psalm 118:14-29;
Revelation 1:4-8; Luke 24:13-35

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If you're a guest today and would like to let us know, please scan the QR code with your smartphone camera to access our online response card. You can also scan the code to submit a prayer request or let us know that you are interested in membership at First Baptist. Response cards and offering envelopes are also available in the pew racks and can be placed in the offering plate or offering boxes.