



First Baptist Church

J E F F E R S O N C I T Y T E N N E S S E E



THE WORSHIP OF GOD Second Sunday of Easter

April 27, 2025

10:45am

Welcome/Opportunities for Service/Invocation Bethany Davenport

Prelude

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

arr. Phillips/Smith

Call to Worship

Bethany Davenport

In worship, we who are called “followers of Jesus” gather to express our unity with God and with each other. We are a community that spans the centuries, bound together by a covenant whose signature is baptism. We have inherited this covenant of baptism from those in ages past who bequeathed to us their faith and their faithfulness. In our worship today we renew our commitment to live in this covenant and we draw together a wider community of believers, including those who bore witness at our baptism. As faithful women and men have done for years, let us worship God.**

Ordinance of Baptism Major Treadway and Seth Hunnicutt

***Hymn of Praise 449** *Baptized in Water* BUNESSAN

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

Scripture Reading Psalm 118:1-9, 21-29 Pam Hester

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures forever!

Let Israel say,

“His steadfast love endures forever.”

Let the house of Aaron say,

“His steadfast love endures forever.”

Let those who fear the Lord say,

“His steadfast love endures forever.”
Out of my distress I called on the Lord;
the Lord answered me and set me in a broad place.
With the Lord on my side I do not fear.
What can mortals do to me?
The Lord is on my side to help me;
I shall look in triumph on those who hate me.
It is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to put confidence in mortals.
It is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to put confidence in princes.
I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.
The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
This is the Lord’s doing;
it is marvelous in our eyes.
This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.
Save us, we beseech you, O Lord!
O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
We bless you from the house of the Lord.
The Lord is God,
and he has given us light.
Bind the festal procession with branches,
up to the horns of the altar.
You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
you are my God; I will extol you.
O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

***Hymn of Testimony 584**

My Faith Has Found a Resting Place

LANDAS

Pastoral Prayer

Don Garner

Prayer Response 387

God Who Made Us, Christ Who Calls Us

GALILEE

Scripture Reading

Luke 24:13-35

Clay Farrar

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name

was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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

Offertory Prayer

Karen Treadway

Offertory

This Joyful Eastertide

arr. Bouman

***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!

Musical Offering

Yet Not I, but Through Christ in Me

arr. Duren

Worship Ensemble; Brendan Dunn, guitar; Ian Braun, drums;
Thomas Bass and Pam Hester; soloists

What gift of grace is Jesus, my Redeemer.
There is no more for heaven now to give.
He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom,
my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.

To this I hold: My hope is only Jesus;
For my life is wholly bound to His.
Oh, how strange and divine;
I can sing, "All is mine.
Yet not I, but through Christ in me."

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken;
for by my side, the Savior, He will stay.
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing;
for in my need, His power is displayed.

To this I hold: My Savior will defend me.
Through the deepest valley He will lead.
Oh, the night has been won, and I shall overcome.
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread. I know I am forgiven.
The future sure, the price, it has been paid.
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon,
and He was raised to overthrow the grave.

To this I hold: My sin has been defeated.
Jesus now and ever is my plea.
Oh, the chains are released.
I can sing, "I am free.
Yet not I, but through Christ in me."

With ev'ry breath, I long to follow Jesus,
for He has said that He will bring me home.
And day by day, I know He will renew me
until I stand with joy before the throne.

To this I hold: My hope is only Jesus.
All the glory evermore to Him.
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat,
"Yet not I, but through Christ in me." [repeat 4 lines]

Sermon

What Comes Next?

Don Garner

Time of Reflection and Response

Morning Has Broken

arr. Purifoy

***Hymn of Commitment and Departing 491**

Wherever He Leads I'll Go

FALLS CREEK

***Benediction**

Major Treadway

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

The Coming Week at FBC

Sunday, April 27

12:00pm Dawnings/Lunch/Fellowship Hall

5:00pm Youth Gathering/Room 214

Monday, April 28

6:00pm Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall

7:00pm Boy Scouts/Fellowship Hall

7:30pm Upper Room Ladies Bible Study/Zoom

Tuesday, April 29

10:00am Tuesday's Neighbors/Parlor

1:00pm Staff Meeting/Church Office

Wednesday, April 30

9:30am Community Bible Study/Room 301

5:00pm WNS (Spaghetti) 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, May 1

8:30am Men's Breakfast/Bojangles

Friday, May 2—Church Office Closed

Sunday, May 4

9:30am Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser for Passport Kids/
Fellowship Hall

Readings for next Sunday, May 4, 2025:

Acts 9:1-6, (7-20); Psalm 30;

Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19



Join us **TODAY**
in the Fellowship Hall, immediately
following the worship service.

Lunch is provided!

We hope you'll join us in collectively exploring
God's calling for our church.

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Our membership is open to all persons regardless of race, social status, gender, and sexual identity and affirms our motto, “Breaking down barriers to proclaim the love of Christ.”

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We are glad that you are here!

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.