



First Baptist Church

JEFFERSON CITY TENNESSEE



THE WORSHIP OF GOD Fourth Sunday of Eastertide

May 11, 2025

10:45am

Welcome/Opportunities for Service/Invocation

Chad Hartsock

Prelude

A New Day

Plash

Handbells: Julia Bass, Thomas Bass, Amanda Eldridge,
Kaylin Hartsock, Steven Lloyd, Merci Rowlett,
Kristi Sanford, Addison Snyder, Caroline Snyder,
Noah Snyder, Angie France, Director

Call to Worship

Topher McNeely and People

God has made this day.

Let us rejoice and be glad.

The God who raised Jesus Christ from the dead
raises us to new life daily.

Thanks be to God.

Glory be to God our Creator,
to Jesus our risen Christ,
and to the Spirit our Comfort. **

Let us worship God together.

*Hymn of Gathering 312

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

Marion

High School Graduates' Recognition

Chad Hartsock

Daniel Garber—Jefferson County High School

Topher McNeely—L&N STEM Academy

Emma Simpson—Jefferson County High School

Caroline Snyder—Jefferson County High School—Testimony

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

Scripture Reading

Psalm 23

Daniel Garber

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;

he leads me beside still waters;

he restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths

for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley,

I fear no evil,

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me

in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil;

my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life,

and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord

my whole life long.

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

*Hymn of Guidance 405

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

BRADBURY

Pastoral Prayer

Major Treadway

Prayer Response 389

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

CHILDREN PRAYING

Offertory Prayer

Karen Smith

Offertory

Seek Ye First

Lafferty

***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 Revelation 7:9-17 Emma Simpson

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!"

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one who knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before
the throne of God,
and worship him day and night
within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the
throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more
and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat,
for the Lamb at the center of the
throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to
springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every
tear from their eyes."

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

Musical Offering

Unbroken Praise

arr. Kingsmore

Worship Ensemble

Praise unbroken, praise unending,
be Yours, be Yours forevermore.

Praise untainted, praise unfading,
be Yours, be Yours forevermore.

Chorus

Unbroken praise be Yours, God, forever.

All my praise be Yours, God, forever.

Lord, take this life, let it become Your throne.

Unbroken praise be Yours.

My surrender, my devotion,
be Yours, be Yours forevermore.

Be Yours, be Yours forevermore. [repeat Chorus]

Let my deeds outrun my words.

Let my life outweigh my songs. [repeat 2 lines x 2]

[repeat Chorus twice]

Unbroken praise be Yours.

Unbroken praise be Yours.

Let my deeds outrun my words.

Let my life outweigh my songs.

Unbroken praise be Yours.

Sermon

Beginning with the End in Mind

Chad Hartsock

Time of Reflection and Response

The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

arr. Keveren

***Hymn of Commitment and Departing 521**

Go with Us, Lord

TALLIS' CANON

***Benediction**

Major Treadway

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

We welcome today, Chris Justice, band director, Jefferson Middle School, as our guest music director.

The Coming Week at FBC

Sunday, May 11—Mother's Day

5:00pm Youth Gathering/Room 214

Monday, May 12

6:00pm Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall

7:00pm Boy Scouts/Fellowship Hall

7:30pm Upper Room Ladies Bible Study/Zoom

Wednesday, May 14

9:30am Community Bible Study/Room 301

4:00pm Wednesday's Neighbors/Parlor

5:00pm WNS (Lasagna) 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 15

8:30am Men's Breakfast/Bojangles

Friday, May 16—Church Office Closed

Readings for next Sunday, May 18, 2025:

Acts 11:1-18; Psalm 148;

Revelation 21:1-6; John 13:31-35



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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.”

CHURCH STAFF

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Deacons & Minister of the Week: May 11-17

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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.