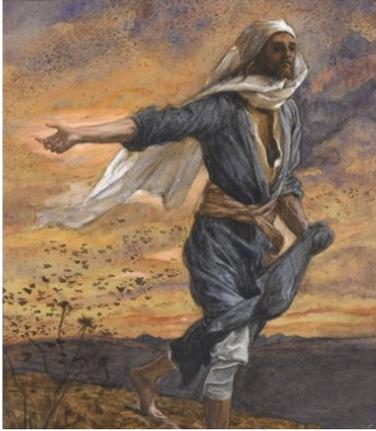




First Baptist Church

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD Third Sunday of Eastertide

May 4, 2025

10:45am

Welcome/Opportunities for Service/Invocation

Chad Hartsock

Prelude

Amazing Grace

arr. Purifoy

Call to Worship

Chad Hartsock and People

God is the source of our life.

We gather together to worship in God's name.

May we be formed into a holy community
of God's own people,

**molded by the breath of the Holy Spirit,
and revealed in this corporate body
the face of the anointed Christ.**

***Hymn of Gathering (see insert)**

Let Us Build a House—All Are Welcome

TWO OAKS

Worship Ensemble and People

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

Scripture Reading

Acts 9:1-20; Revelation 5:11-14

Thomas and Julia Bass

Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was

going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight and neither ate nor drank. Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem, and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."

Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice,

“Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!”

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea and all that is in them, singing, “To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!” And the four living creatures said, “Amen!” And the elders fell down and worshiped.

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

***Hymn of Testimony 587**

Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound

NEW BRITAIN

Prayer of Confession

Major Treadway and People

Everlasting Father,
by Your Spirit You raised your holy child Jesus from the dead, and by that same Spirit You raise us up with Him, calling and adopting us as Your own.

**Like a mother who never ceases caring for her children,
You continue to comfort, shelter, and nurture us.**

Yet we live as though your sustaining provision and protection were neither trustworthy nor sufficient.

**Forgive us for denying and disowning you
as our Source and Sustainer.**

Renew us in faith, hope, and love;

that we may proclaim

with joyous words and integrity of life

the good news of your sure salvation,

through Jesus, our Risen Lord. Amen.***

Prayer Response 392

Open Our Eyes

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Offertory Prayer

Kevin Davenport

Offertory

Turn Your Eyes

arr. Bennett

***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

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

arr. Duren

Worship Ensemble

Turn your eyes upon Jesus.
Look full in His wonderful face,
and the things of earth will grow strangely dim
in the light of His glory and grace.

Turn your eyes to the hillside
where justice and mercy embraced.
There the Son of God gave His life for us,
and our measureless debt was erased.

Chorus

Jesus, to You we lift our eyes,
Jesus, our glory and our prize.

We adore You, behold You,
our Savior ever true.

O Jesus, we turn our eyes to You.

Turn your eyes to the morning
and see Christ the Lion awake.

What glorious dawn! Fear of death is gone
for we carry His life in our veins! [repeat Chorus]

Turn your eyes to the heavens.

Our King will return for His own.

Ev'ry knee will bow. Ev'ry tongue will shout,
"All glory to Jesus alone!" [repeat Chorus twice]

Sermon

Come One, Come All

Major Treadway

Communion

Ministers and People

Time of Reflection and Response

I Am the Bread of Life

arr. Kosnik

***Hymn of Commitment and Departing 513**

Go Now in Peace

EARTH AND ALL STARS (abridged)

***Benediction**

Major Treadway

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

The Coming Week at FBC

Sunday, May 4— Communion Sunday

- 9:30am Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser for Passport
Kids/Fellowship Hall
- 5:00pm Youth Gathering/Room 214

Monday, May 5

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

Tuesday, May 6

- 1:00pm Staff Meeting/Church Office

Wednesday, May 7

- 9:30am Community Bible Study/Room 301
- 4:00pm Wednesday's Neighbors/Parlor
- 5:00pm WNS (Taco Salad)/ 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 8

- 8:30am Men's Breakfast/Bojangles

Friday, May 9—Church Office Closed

Readings for next Sunday, May 11, 2025:
Acts 9:36-43; Psalm 23;
Revelation 7:9-17; John 10:22-30

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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.