



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

April 28, 2024

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
Fifth Sunday of Easter

10:45 am

Welcome/Opportunities for Service/Invocation

Major Treadway

Prelude

To God Be the Glory

arr. Kerrick/Larson

Call to Worship

Nenette Measels and People

We come this morning to worship together;

Different people, different lives, different histories,

Yet we are all children of the same Parent,

Created lovingly by the Source of all life.

Different people, different lives, different histories;

Yet we all have one Teacher,

Jesus, who is the resurrection and the life.

Different people, different lives, different histories;

Yet one Lord, one faith, one baptism.**

*Hymn of Gathering

In This Very Room

IN THIS VERY ROOM

In this very room there's quite enough love for one like me,

And in this very room there's quite enough joy for one like me;

And there's quite enough hope and quite enough power to chase away any gloom,

For Jesus, Lord Jesus, is in this very room.

In this very room there's quite enough love for all of us,

And in this very room there's quite enough joy for all of us;

And there's quite enough hope and quite enough power to share wherever we go,

For Jesus, Lord Jesus, is in this very room.

In this very room there's quite enough love for all the world,

And in this very room there's quite enough joy for all the world;

And there's quite enough hope and quite enough power to reach to all of the earth,

For Jesus, Lord Jesus, is in this very room.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

Chad Hartsock

Noah Snyder—Jefferson County High School

Clyde Harrell—Carson-Newman University

Emmalee Beckner—Carson-Newman University

Rebekah Garber—Tennessee Technological University

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

*Hymn of Identity 255

We Are God's People

SYMPHONY

Scripture Reading

Acts 8:26-40

Clyde Harrell

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, the queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak and starting with this scripture he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

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

Offertory Prayer

Kaylin Hartsock

Offertory

Song of Hope

Grichetchkine

Pastoral Prayer

Major Treadway

Prayer Response 254

Diverse in Culture, Nation, Race

CANONBURY

Musical Offering

Let Us Build a House/Come Build a Church

Haugen/Medema/Larson

Worship Ensemble

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,
A place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions.
All are welcome; all are welcome; all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true,
Where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace;
Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus,
All are welcome; all are welcome; all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone
To heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face;
Let us bring an end to fear and danger.
All are welcome; all are welcome; all are welcome in this place.

Come build a church with soul and spirit,
Come build a church of flesh and bone.
We need no tower rising skyward; no house of wood, or glass, or stone.
Come build a church of flesh and blood.
Jesus shall be its sure foundation.
It shall be built by the hand of God.

Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard
And loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace;
Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter;
All are welcome; all are welcome; all are welcome in this place.
All are welcome in this place.

Sermon	<i>A Gospel with No Margins</i>	Chad Hartsock
Time of Response and Reflection	<i>Amazing Grace</i>	arr. Plainsong
*Hymn of Departing 648	<i>Stir Your Church, O God, Our Father</i>	MADILL
*Benediction		Chad Hartsock

*If you can do so, please stand for this portion of the worship service. CCLI #120972

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THE COMING WEEK AT FBC

Sunday, April 28

4:00pm Children's Committee Meeting/Parlor
5:00pm Youth Gathering/214

Monday, April 29

7:00pm Boy Scouts/Fellowship Hall
8:00pm Upper Room Ladies Bible Study/Zoom

Tuesday, April 30

10:00am Tuesday's Neighbors/Parlor
1:00pm Staff Meeting/Parlor

Wednesday, May 1

9:30am Women's Bible Study/301
4:00pm Meditation Practice Group/Prayer Rm
5:00pm Youth Gathering/214
5:00pm Wednesday Night Supper (Spaghetti Meal)/Fellowship Hall
6:00pm Listening Session/Music Ste

Thursday, May 2

8:30am Men's Breakfast/Bojangles
6:00pm Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall

Friday, May 3—Church Office Closed

Sunday, May 5

9:30am Bible Study Classes for Adults/Various Rooms
10:00am Chancel Ensemble Rehearsal/Sanctuary
10:45am Worship Service/Sanctuary or Facebook and Youtube
10:45am Children's Bible Study/Birth-K Room 119, 1st-5th grade Room 218
5:00pm Youth Gathering/214

Monday, May 6

7:00pm Boy Scouts/Fellowship Hall
8:00pm Upper Room Ladies Bible Study/Zoom

Tuesday, May 7

10:00am Tuesday's Neighbors/Parlor
12:00pm Senior Adult Fellowship Bingo/Fellowship Hall
1:00pm Staff Meeting/Parlor

Welcome to First Baptist Church! 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

Sierra Bevins, Ministry Assistant
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