



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

March 17, 2024

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

10:45 am

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Welcome/Opportunities for Service/Invocation

Chad Hartsock

Prelude

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

American Spiritual

Nenette Measels, solo; Angie France, organ

Jesus walked this lonesome valley,

He had to walk it by Himself.

O nobody else could walk it for Him,

He had to walk it by Himself.

As we walk our lonesome valley,

we do not walk it by ourselves,

for God sent His Son to walk it with us;

We do not walk it by ourselves.

Call to Worship

Galatians 1:3-5

Nenette Measels

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to set us free from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

*Hymn of Deliverance 190

The Power of the Cross

OH, TO SEE THE DAWN

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

Prayer of Confession

Karen Wilson

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out our transgressions. Wash away all our iniquity and cleanse us from sin. Create in us a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and grant a willing spirit to sustain us. Amen.**

Prayer Response

I Shall Not Want

Brown and Assad

Pam Hester, solo; Worship Ensemble

From the love of my own comfort, from the fear of having nothing,

From a life of worldly passions, deliver me, O God.

From the need to be understood, and from a need to be accepted,

from the fear of being lonely, deliver me, O God.

And I shall not want, no, I shall not want.
When I taste Your goodness, I shall not want.
When I taste Your goodness, I shall not want.

From the fear of serving others, from the fear of death or trial,
and from the fear of humility, deliver me, O God.
Yes, deliver me, O God.

And I shall not want, no, I shall not want.
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Offertory Prayer

Jim Wilson

Offertory

Kyrie eleison

arr. Callahan

Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Robert Burts

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more.

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

Musical Offering

Song of the Wanderer
Worship Ensemble

Forrest

The barren land around me lies, my flame is burning low;
Cold and pale the winter skies, and I am far from home.
With my light that burns so dim, am I visible to Him?
Does He hear the fragile song of creatures here be low?
He wakes the lark and bids her fly to greet the coming spring,
Wakes our hearts and bids us rise then gives our spirits wing.
He speaks and winter melts away, He hears us when we pray,
Turns our nighttime into day—our Light, our Life, our King.
Glorious joy of summer sun, the gentle healing rain,
Banishing our tears and sighs, with beauty for our pain.
Earth and sky, lay glory by—Christ, the Lord, is drawing nigh!
All creation, bow to Him from whom all blessings flow!

THE COMING WEEK AT FBC

Sunday, March 17

5:00pm Youth Gathering/214

Monday, March 18

6:00pm Genealogy Society Meeting

7:00pm Boy Scouts/Fellowship Hall

8:00pm Upper Room Ladies Bible Study/Zoom

Tuesday, March 19

10:00am Tuesday's Neighbors/Parlor

1:00pm Staff Meeting/Parlor

Wednesday, March 20

9:30am Women's Bible Study/301

4:00pm Deacons Meeting/102

5:00pm Youth Gathering/214

5:00pm Wednesday Night Supper (Taco Salad Meal)/Fellowship Hall

6:00pm Common Prayer & Bible Study/Music Ste

6:45pm Worship Ensemble Rehearsal/Music Ste

Thursday, March 21

8:30am Men's Breakfast/Bojangles, Jefferson City

6:00pm Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall

Friday, March 22—Church Office Closed

Sunday, March 24

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, March 25

7:00pm Boy Scouts/Fellowship Hall

8:00pm Upper Room Ladies Bible Study/Zoom

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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