

MAY 18, 2025

10:30 AM



The Prelude: *Prelude in C Major* J. S. Bach

The Choral Call to Worship: *Let Us Before God’s Presence Come* IRISH

The Processional Hymn 594: *Lift High the Cross* CRUCIFER

Welcome and Invocation: Chris Giddens

The Celebration of Baptism: Pastor
Kurt Schuitema and Katherine Lee Penny

***The Unison Reading:** *Psalm 19:1-4, 7-9, 14* Evans Newell

¹ *The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.*

² *Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.*

³ *They have no speech, they use no words; no sound is heard from them.*

⁴ *Yet their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.*

⁷ *The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple.*

⁸ *The precepts of the Lord are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the Lord are radiant, giving light to the eyes.*

⁹ *The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever. The decrees of the Lord are firm, and all of them are righteous.*

¹⁴ *May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.*

***The Hymn of Response:** *Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him* HYFRYDOL
Praise the Lord! ye heav’ns adore Him; Praise Him angels, in the height; Sun and moon, rejoice before Him; Praise Him all ye stars of light. Praise the Lord! for He hath spoken; Worlds His mighty voice obeyed; Law which never shall be broken For their guidance hath He made.

Preschool Praise Time {Age 3 through K5}
Preschool Praise is designed for children in PK3-Kindergarten. Children may meet the preschool leader at the front of the sanctuary on the left side by the double-doors following The Hymn of Response. Following the worship service please pick up your child in the Learning Center.

Offertory Prayer: Emory Hiott

The Offertory: *Air (from Suite D)* J. S. Bach

***The Presentation of Gifts:** *The Doxology* OLD 100TH
Praise God from Whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Scripture Reading: *Romans 11:33-36* Pastor

The Anthem: *The Majesty and Glory of Your Name* Johnson/Fettke
When I gaze into the night skies and see the work of Your fingers; The moon and the stars suspended in space. What is man, that You are mindful of him? You have given man a crown of glory and honor And have made him a little lower than the angels. You have put him in charge of all creation: The beasts of the field, The birds of the air, The fish of the sea. But what is man, Oh, what is man that You are mindful of him? O Lord, our God, the majesty and glory of Your name. Transcends the earth and fills the heavens. O Lord, our God, little children praise You perfectly, And so would we, and so would we, Alleluia! Alleluia! The majesty and glory of Your name. Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Message: “From God; Through God; To God” Pastor

The Invitation to Christian Commitment

***Invitation Hymn 197:** *Rejoice, the Lord Is King* DARWALL

***The Benediction** Pastor

The Choral Benediction: *An Apostle’s Prayer* David Schwoebel

The Chimes of the Trinity
As we leave, let us remember that we do not leave the church; we leave as the Church to go into the world and make disciples in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The Postlude: *The Heavens Declare the Glory of God* Benedetto Marcello



PRAYER REQUESTS
One of the essential ministries of First Baptist Church is the prayer ministry. Your request is given to our ministry staff and members who are a part of our prayer ministry. If you have a need that is confidential, and you are not sure you wish to turn in a written request, please feel free to contact the church office to speak to a minister.

Name: _____

Please pray for: _____

☐ I give permission to publish this request on the weekly prayer list.

Welcome
First Baptist Church welcomes you today!
We are honored you chose to be with us
and our prayer is that you will experience
God through worship. If you are a guest,
please take one of the welcome booklets
available through the ushers. Our ministry
staff would love to have a chance to meet
you, so please fill out the information below,
tear at the perforated edge and place it in
the offering plate.

{Please print}

Date: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____

City: _____
State: _____ Zip _____
Phone: _____
E-mail: _____
I am a guest of: _____

Member of a church: ☐ yes ☐ no
If yes, where: _____

- Please check all that apply:
- ☐ First Time Guest
 - ☐ New in Community
 - ☐ Interested in Church Membership
 - ☐ Have _____ Children of School Age
or Under
 - ☐ Would like more info about the
Church
 - ☐ Would like Minister to call
 - ☐ Have a Prayer Request (over)

Please circle your age or grade:

Age: 0-3 4-5
Grade: 1 2 3 4 5 6
 7 8 9 10 11 12
 College/Grad School

Age: 20-29 30-39 40-49
 50-59 60-69 70-up

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WORSHIP NOTES
*The congregation will please stand during this time.

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MINISTRY TEAM
Pastor: Marshall Blalock
Associate Pastor of Discipleship and Administration: Evans Newell
Minister of Worship and Music: David Templeton
Minister to Students: Justin Donnahoo
Minister to Children: Chris Giddens



DEACON OF THE WEEK: MAY 18 - 24

Emory Hott

Life Verse: Zechariah 7:9-10 — *"This is what the Lord Almighty said: Administer true justice; show mercy and compassion to one another. Do not oppress the widow or the fatherless, the foreigner or the poor. Do not plot evil against each other."*

Favorite Hymn: *Shine, Jesus, Shine*

Favorite Contemporary Worship Song: *More than Able*

Favorite Missionary Story / Organization: Josephine Hair was one of the first teachers of First Baptist School, a missionary to Alaska, and then wrote and started the RA program for WMU.

Please contact the church office if you would like to reach out to our Deacon Ministry Team.



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