

The Worship of God

April 27, 2014

Eleven o'clock in the morning

Second Sunday of Easter

THE GATHERING

Come together, everyone and bring your stories and sing your songs and share in the Spirit. Let even the silence speak with a thousand voices in tribute to our loving, living God and in celebration of our lives - - the priceless gift God has given us. Come together, people of God, and live in resurrection hope!

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee* arr. Raymond Haan

CHORAL INTROIT *Come, Let Us With Our Lord Arise* Charles Wesley 1763
Opening of the Bible Ava Leigh Fulbright

CALL TO WORSHIP Jackson McCarthy

Leader: Sing, all people of God! Sing the good news.

People: **We cry ourselves to sleep and God comes in with the dawn, to awaken us with Joy's embrace.**

Leader: Sing, in every land, in every tongue! Sing the good news.

People: **When our lives bottom out, God takes us by the hand to lead us into the light.**

Leader: Sing, in heaven and on earth! Sing the good news.

People: **Broken, hopeless, lost - we cry out to God, who hears our hearts.**

Leader: Sing, all people of God!

People: **We will sing the good news of Easter!**

HYMN NO. 130 *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* AZMON

THE CHILDREN'S TIME Is it still Easter?

CHRISTIAN GREETINGS

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 30

A PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Minister: May the God who turns our mourning into dancing be with you!

People: **May God teach you new dance steps as well!**

Minister: May the God who hears our hearts listen to yours!

People: **In those depths, we speak of that for which we long - hope and grace.**

Minister: May the God who loves us fill you with abundant blessings.

People: **With those who weep with the mourning and all those who dance in your wonder, we lift our hearts to you, O God.**

MORNING PRAYER

HYMN NO. 262 *Rejoice, the Lord is King* DARWALL

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 16: 13-19

SPECIAL MUSIC *I Know My Redeemer Liveth* Handel

SERMON *We Are The Church!* Dr. Ray Howell III

HYMN NO. 578 *Come, All Christians, Be Committed* BEACH SPRING

OFFERTORY PRAYER Alan Williams

OFFERTORY *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* C. S. Lang

DOXOLOGY NO. 809 OLD HUNDREDTH

RECEIVING OF NEW MEMBERS

CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Chant* Gordon Young

Today's Lay Reader is William Fulbright

Musicians for today's service

Beverly Khemlani - organ

Sanctuary Choir

Sarah Frye, soprano

The Deacons of the Week are Carl Garrison and Debbie Tate.

Senior Voice Recital

Jackson Ryan McCarthy

First Baptist Church Sanctuary 3:00 p.m. Today

Reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall.

Senior Adult Sunday - May 4

11:00 a.m. Worship Service

12:15 p.m. Luncheon

Our Senior Adults will lead the morning worship service Sunday May 4. A luncheon will be served in the Fellowship Hall at 12:15 p.m. following the service. Lunch is free to all seniors. The menu is chicken pie with all the fixings. Sign up sheets have been placed in the classrooms. Final date to sign up is **TODAY.**

Announcements

Sunday, 4/27

9:00 a.m.	Sunday Morning Prayer Ministry	Conference Room
6:00 p.m.	Passport Youth & Parents (Required)	Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m.	Deacons' Meeting	Parlor

Monday, 4/28

5:30 p.m.	Hand Bell Rehearsal	Music Suite
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Wednesday, 4/30

4:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Shredding Service	FBC Parking Lot
4:30 - 5:30 p.m.	Senior Adult Singers	Music Suite
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Child Care Babies (inform church if you need childcare)	Nursery
5:15 - 6:15 p.m.	*Dinner (children eat first)	Fellowship Hall
6:30 - 7:15 p.m.	Final Family Night	Fellowship Hall
	Children's Music/Mission Program	
7:30 - 9:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Music Suite

*Menu: Grilled Chicken or Grilled Chicken Salad Sandwich ,Baked Beans, Potato Salad,
Ice Cream
RSVP by Noon Monday

Baby Dedication Service

Sunday, May 11

Please contact the church office if you would like to participate in the baby dedication service held as part of our Sunday Morning Worship.

Caring For Creation

First Baptist - Shredding Day

Wednesday, April 30 - 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Bring your old personal bills, papers, checks, bank statements, and other papers to be destroyed. You do not need to remove staples or paper clips. NO 3-ring binders, glass, heavy metals, floppy discs, garbage or newspapers.

\$ - Donations will defer the cost with funds over and above going to FBC Transportation fund. Make checks payable to FBC.

Extended Sessions:

April 27 Bed Babies: Margaret Ann Maddox & June Honeycutt

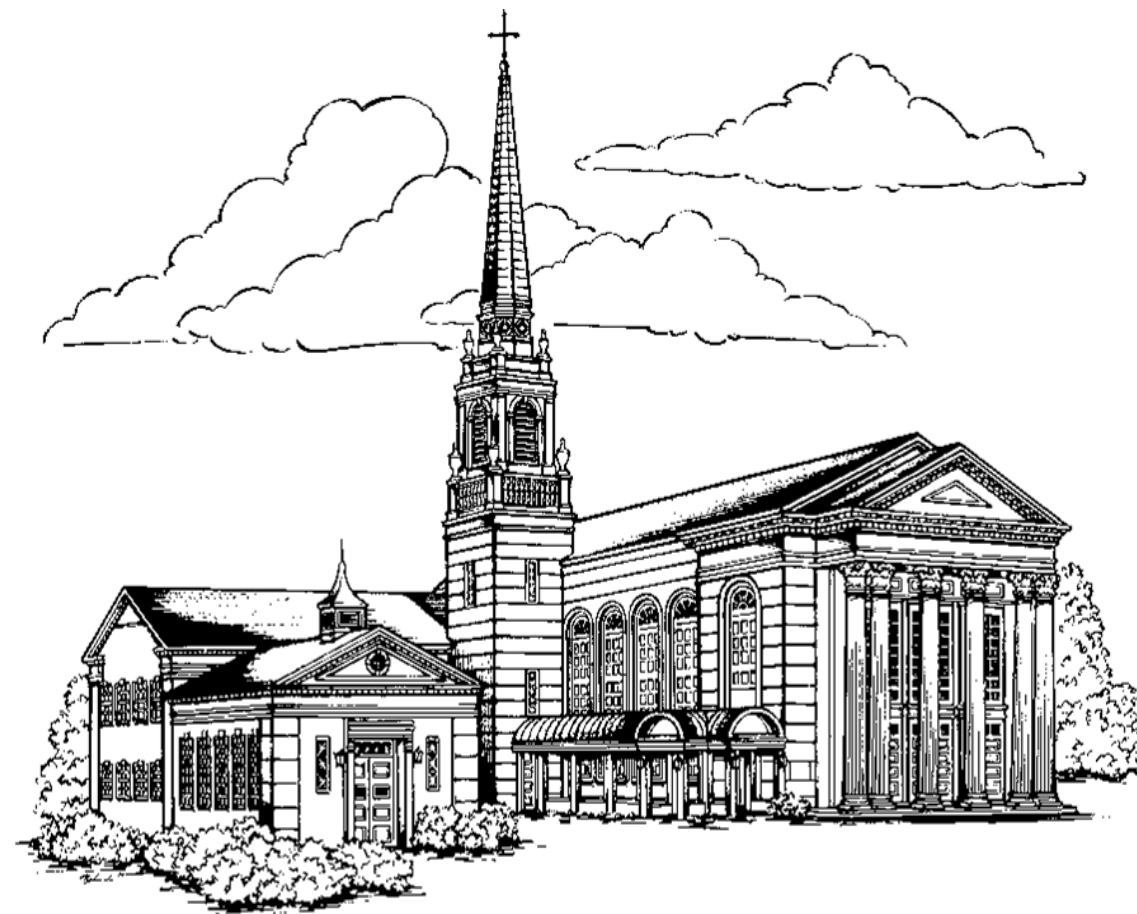
Toddlers & 2 Year Olds: M/M Lee Davis **3 & 4 Year Olds:** Sandra Wilson & Jack Davis

May 4: Bed Babies: M/M Richard Baxley **Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** Christy Clark & Courtney Sams **3 & 4 Year Olds:** M/M William Hopkins

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