

<i>The Worship of God</i>		
March 25, 2018	Palm Sunday	
The Gathering		
Hosanna, Christ enters our lives! Blessings are here, yet haunting truths lurk in the shadows. Death comes even to the most innocent and loving of humanity. Celebration and sorrow intermingle in our world.		
(Children are invited to gather in the vestibule for the Parade of Palms)		
Pre-Service Music	Meagan Smith	
Prelude	“Entrada Festiva”	David Lasky
Children’s Palm Procession	“The Palms”	J. Faure
Opening of the Bible	Ava Leigh Fulbright	
Call to Worship	Lillian Wood	
Leader: Hosanna!		
People: Hosanna in the highest!		
Leader: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.		
People: Hosanna in the highest heaven!		
Leader: May our hands hold Palm branches of joy to proclaim the coming King.		
People: May our voices joyfully proclaim Christ our Redeemer, the Lord of Heaven, our King!		
Hymn No. 203	“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”	ELLACOME
Lighting of the Christ Candle		
Christian Greetings		
Gospel Lesson	Mark 11: 1-11	
Morning Prayer		

Hymn No. 216	“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”	ST. CHRISTOPHER
Offertory Prayer	Brannon Gillian	
The Offertory	“In the Cross of Christ I Glory”	arr. John Carter
Doxology	OLD HUNDREDTH	
Scripture Lesson	Mark 14: 12-16	
Anthem	“The Upper Room”	Don Besig
Scripture Lesson	Mark 15: 6-15	
Anthem	“The Old Rugged Cross”	Patti Drennan
Scripture Lesson	Isaiah 1: 18 and 53: 3-6	
Anthem	“Jesus Paid It All”	John T. Grape
Scripture Lesson	John 11: 25-26 and 14: 18-19	
Anthem	“Because He Lives”	William J. Gaither
Hymn No. 204	“All Glory, Laud and Honor”	ST THEODULPH
Recessional to Community Palm Sunday Celebration		

Today’s Lay Readers are Connie Russell and Paul Epley

Today’s Service		
Beverly Khemlani, Organist	Sanctuary Choir	Senior Adult Choir

This Week at First Baptist

Every Sunday at 9 a.m.
Every Sunday at 9:30 a.m.
Today at 5 p.m.
Today at 6 p.m.
Today at 7 p.m.
Wednesday at 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday at 5:45 p.m.
Wednesday at 7:15 p.m.
Thursday at 7 p.m.

Prayer Ministry in the Conference Room
Coffee and fellowship on the Second Floor
Youth Choir in the Music Suite
Snack Supper followed by Youth Activities
Deacons meet in the Parlor
Adult Senior Choir in the Music Suite
Children Activities
Sanctuary Choir in the Music Suite
Handbell Choir in Handbell Room

Ordination Council

All ordained clergy and deacons are invited to participate in an Ordination Council this afternoon at 5:45 p.m. in the parlor to examine Meagan Smith for ordination in the Gospel ministry.

Holy Week Services

This Wednesday night, following our fellowship meal, we will hear a presentation on the timeline of Holy Week from Palm Sunday to the resurrection. We will have Maundy Thursday communion in the chapel at 7 p.m. on Thursday and a Tenebrae service Friday at 7 p.m. in the chapel.

144 Challenge – Money Tree Fundraiser

Help support our youth as they travel to Belize this summer by participating in the 144 Challenge! There are envelope trees in the sanctuary and fellowship hall with envelopes numbered from 1 to 144. Please consider taking an envelope with an amount you are able to give.

Menu: Smoked Turkey, Buttered Corn, Green Beans, Assorted Salads, Rolls & Dessert

Children: Same

Extended Sessions:

March 25th Bed Babies –M/M Brian Lancaster **Toddler/2 Year-Olds** –M/M Zak Young

3 and 4-Year Olds – M/M Josh Boyle

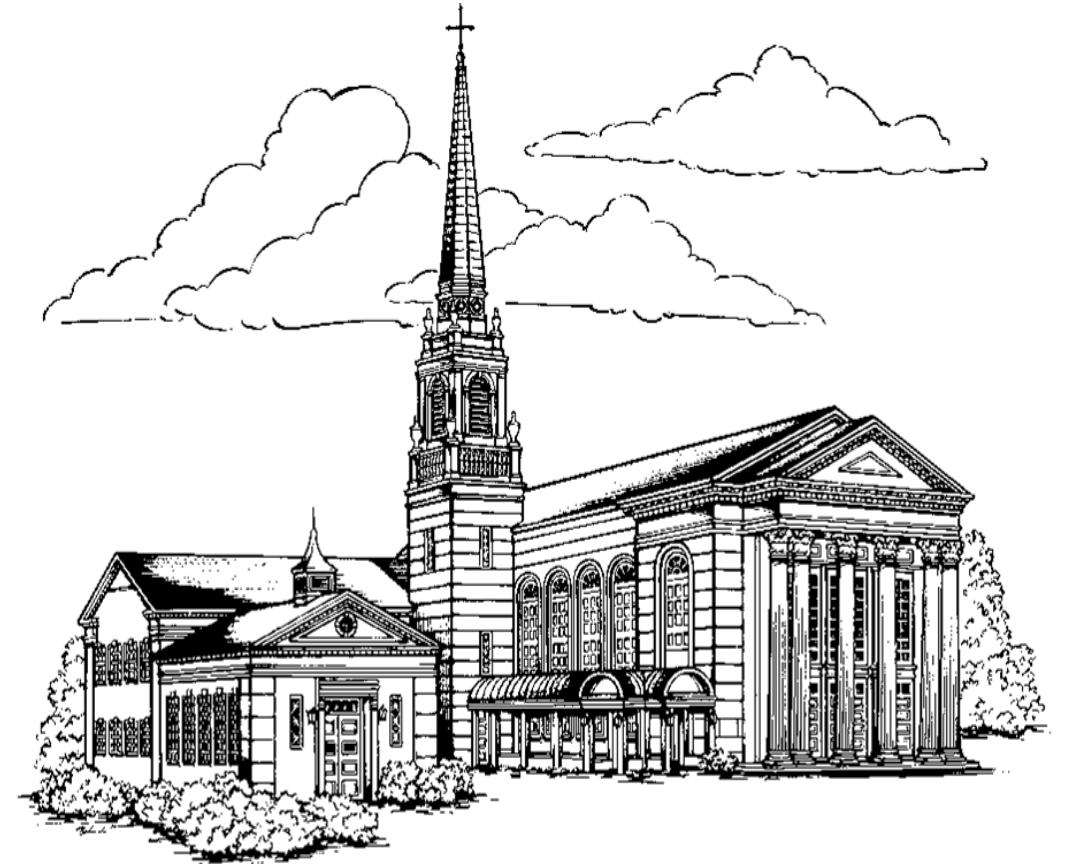
April 1st Nursery provided for bed babies

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