

A Service of Worship

Third Sunday of Easter

April 18, 2021

11:00 a.m.

To listen by phone:

Zoom Call-in Number: 1-833-548-0276

Meeting ID: 276 632 6336 #, #

Gathering for Worship

Prelude *Sinfonia* Purcell
Baxter Jennings, Organ

Welcome Rev. Dr. Libby Grammer

*Call to Worship *Lead Me, Lord* GOODINE

Lead me Lord, I will follow; Lead me, Lord, I will go.
You have called me I will answer; Lead me Lord, I will go.

*Invocation & Lord's Prayer Dr. Grammer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.**

Solo *I Know That My Redeemer Liveth* Handel
Allison Collins, Soprano

Hearing the Scriptures

First Lesson Acts 3:12-29 Joan Haynes
The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

Second Lesson 1 John 3:12-29
The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Worship Pastor Libby & Mrs. Becky
*Children age 5 and under after children's worship are invited to
join our nursery workers for age-appropriate children's church.*

Giving from our Abundance

*Offertory Hymn 532 *Be Thou My Vision* SLANE

*Please stand as you are able

*Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Interpreting the Scriptures

Solo *How Great Thou Art* arr. Dan Forrest
Carter Collins, Tenor

Sermon *Change is Hard* Dr. Grammer

Responding to God

*Invitation Hymn 295 *Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee*
ST. AGNES

*Benediction Dr. Grammer

*Response *Threefold Amen* Danish

Postlude *Trumpet Finale* Purcell

Today is the Third Sunday of Easter. Easter Sunday was the beginning of the season of Eastertide in the liturgical year. Eastertide is celebrated from Easter Sunday for fifty days, until the day of Pentecost, and focuses on the meaning of Christ's resurrection. The liturgical color is white, symbolizing light, victory, and eternal life.

Children's Worship Bags for all ages are in the Narthex (foyer at the back of the Sanctuary). These bags are intended to help children process what they are hearing and seeing as they worship with their families. Please return the bags after worship so they can be used in our next service.

Welcome Carter and Allison Collins to our worship service this morning. Carter and Allison are the son and daughter-in-law of Joe and Becky Collins.

Allison E. Collins, Soprano, was born in Gretna, Louisiana, the oldest child of Captain and Mrs. James (Nancy) Donahue. She was reared in the abundant arts culture of New Orleans. A singer from her youth, she performed in various choirs, often singing alongside her grandmother. She continued to study and hone her artistry and love of music at Mississippi College in Clinton, MS where she met Carter. They were married in 2019 and reside in Fort Worth, Texas. In October of 2020, they were blessed to welcome their first son, Augustin Jameson, the first grandchild for both sets of their parents. Allison works in bank management in the city of Fort Worth. She is pleased to make her Virginia debut today, all to the glory of God!

Carter L. Collins, Tenor, is a native of Nashville, TN, but loves his adopted (home) state of Texas. He graduated in 2014 from Mississippi College with a Bachelor of Science degree in Music Education and currently works as an accounting clerk in Fort Worth. He and his family are currently members of Church of Christ the King in Fort Worth, where he serves in the music ministry as a soloist and occasional organist/accompanist. He also serves as a participant in the church safety program with other members of the congregation. It is a blessing for Carter to use his gifts today in response and service to and for the glory of God!

Opportunities for the Week

Sunday, April 18

9:45 a.m. Sunday School-Zoom
11:00 a.m. Worship-In-person/Virtual

Monday, April 19

10:30 a.m. Children's Chapel

Tuesday, April 20

5:15 p.m. Business & Finance-Zoom

Wednesday, April 21

7:00 p.m. Midweek Check-in-Zoom

Thursday, April 22

10:00 a.m. Bible Study-2 Peter-Zoom
8:00 p.m. Journey Small Group-Zoom

April Birthdays: 4 George Lester, 12 Marilyn Turner, 16 John Burgess, 19 Dean Johnston, 21 Marsha Frith, 24 Joe Collins, 25 Martha Perdue, 26 Nita Gauldin, 27 Sylvia Knight, 28 Pat Austin

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Business Meeting Agenda, April 25 at 12:30 p.m., Zoom

1. Approval of the Minutes, 2. Financial Report, 3. Committee Reports.

Women on Mission- April Mission Action

Women on Mission invites the entire congregation of FBC to join our focus on enhancing children's literacy during April. We are partnering with United Way and Smart Beginnings Early Childhood Development program to sponsor registered children to receive an age-and developmentally-appropriate book every month from birth to 5 years of age.

The books are free from Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, but a donation of \$27.00 is needed to sponsor a child to cover postage and shipping for the books to be mailed directly to each child's home every month. Please make your check out to First Baptist Church and designate "D.P. Imagination Library."

Deacons of the Month

Deacons of the month assist your pastor and other deacons with visitation as needed.

April Deacons of the Month: Roslyn Wingett and Jean Rood

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*Offertory Hymn 532 *Be Thou My Vision*

SLANE

Be thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me,
save that thou art- thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my Wisdom, and thou my true Word,
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou and thou only,
first in my heart, high King of heaven, my Treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys,
O bright heaven's sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

*Invitation Hymn 112 *Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee* ST. AGNES

Jesus, the very thought of thee with sweetness fills my breast;
but sweeter far thy face to see, and in thy presence rest.

No voice can sing, no heart can frame, nor can the mind recall
a sweeter sound than thy blest name, O Savior of us all!

O hope of every contrite heart, O joy of all the meek,
to those who ask, how kind thou art, how good to those who seek!

But what to those who find? Ah, this nor tongue nor pen can show;
the love of Jesus, what it is none but his loved ones know.

Jesus, our only joy be thou, as thou our prize wilt be;
in thee be all our glory now, and through eternity.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Continued

Prayer Reminder

CHURCH FAMILY: John Abbott, Alice Bowman, Mary Clifton,
Martha Drane, Ann Draper, John Fulcher, Mary Frances Gibbs,
Jean Gray, Smitty & Ann Grogan, George Lester, Marvin Midkiff,
Betty Minter, Jane Mize, Betty Prillaman, Jimmie Sexton,
Benny Shires, Stacey Steagall, Shirley Stone, Yvonne Turner,
Gayle Williams

In Christian Sympathy to the family of Jim Barnett who passed
away on April 2, 2021. A memorial service will be held later.

Gratitude for Giving...

DOLLY PARTON IMAGINATION LIBRARY: A gift has been given in
memory of Nancy & Bob Canupp and Nancy & Jim Barnett by Steve
& Joan Haynes. **MISSION OPPORTUNITY:** Gifts have been given in
memory of Gene Medley by Debbie & Ben Lewis, Nelson & Ann
McConnell and Chatmoss Country Club. **GENERAL FUND:** A gift was
given in memory of Annie Lee Ferrell by George & Katherine Kidder.

Grace Network April-June 2021 Food Assignment

Corn 15 oz. (whole or creamed)

Please drop the food off at the church.

Welcome to First Baptist Church!

We are #yourcitychurch in Martinsville...

A diverse community of believers coming from many Christian traditions to worship, learn, and grow together as followers of Jesus.

Serving God in our church, our community, and the world by investing our energy and resources to living like Jesus called us to live — in service to God and neighbor.

Growing and Changing our ministries to include more variety in our vision so as to meet the needs of our community. Come GROW with us!

If you do not have a church home, you are welcome here.

Come and see what God is doing among us as we worship and serve in Christ's name.

Want to know more? Contact our Pastor: libby@fbcmartinsville.com
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Rev. Dr. Libby M. Grammer
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Becky Collins
Minister of Music

Baxter Jennings
Organist

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Mission Statement:

The congregation of First Baptist Church, led by the Holy Spirit, covenants to worship Almighty God and to be disciples of Jesus Christ. Consistent with the Great Commission, we will share our spiritual gifts beyond our doors with enthusiasm, generosity, and grace.



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