

# A Service of Worship & Communion

## Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 3, 2022 11:00 a.m.

*As we enter sacred space for worship, quiet your heart and mind,  
centering your thoughts on God's presence among us.*

### Gathering for Worship

Prelude *Behold the Lamb of God* Handel  
Baxter Jennings, organ

Welcome Rev. Dr. Libby Grammer

Call to Worship Dr. Grammer

Leader: Break open our hearts this morning  
to hear your word, O God.

**People: Let our fears be vanquished,  
our spirits restored!**

Leader: Come and let us worship with great joy!

**People: Let us drop the things of the past  
that weighed us down.**

Leader: God is about to do something new in our lives!

**People: Let God's will become strong in our  
lives as we follow Jesus and Jesus alone.**

Invocation & Lord's Prayer

**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.**

\*Hymn 213 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* HAMBURG

### Hearing & Interpreting the Scriptures

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 43:16-21 Roslyn Wingett  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

New Testament Lesson Philippians 3:4b-14  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Worship Pastor Ashley  
*After children's worship, children age 5 and under are invited to  
join our nursery workers for age-appropriate children's church.*

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

Prayer of Commitment Dr. Grammer

\*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.**

Anthem *In Remembrance* Courtney and Red

Sermon *Participants in Christ* Dr. Grammer

\*Song of Response  
Hymn 563 *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*  
I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

### Celebration of Communion

Confession (*in unison*) Dr. Grammer

**Forgive us, O God, when we believe that righteous behavior is  
all that is needed to secure your love. Help us to surrender our  
self-righteous attitudes and values so that, like Paul, we can  
celebrate anew lives centered in Jesus Christ and his work in  
this world. Forgive us, O God, when we lose sight of the goal of  
our lives as Christians—that of following Jesus; even when  
that means, and perhaps, especially when that means taking  
up our cross, and sharing in the suffering and struggle that  
Jesus shares with us.**

Assurance of Pardon

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving (*in unison*)

**The Lord has indeed done great things for us, as 'our  
righteousness is one that comes through faith in Christ, the  
righteousness from God based on faith.' In Jesus Christ we are  
accepted, we are loved, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

### Responding to God

\*Response 708 *Blest Be the Tie that Binds* DENNIS  
Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;  
the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

Postlude *And With His Stripes We Are Healed* Handel

***Today is the Fifth Sunday in Lent.*** Lent is the season in which we anticipate Jesus' final trip to Jerusalem and the self-giving nature of love shown in his passion and death. The season begins with Ash Wednesday and extends for forty days through Saturday of Holy Week. Sundays are excluded from Lent, being regarded as feast days in the midst of the forty-day fast. Lent is a strongly penitential season. The liturgical color is purple, used to symbolize penance, preparation, sacrifice.

**Worship is Live Streamed** on Facebook and YouTube each Sunday morning at the worship hour and a video recording is posted on the church website/YouTube page within 24-48 hours. To listen by phone during the worship hour: **Zoom Call-in Number:** 1-833-548-0276; Meeting ID: 276 632 6336 #, #

**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.

### Prayer Reminder

**CHURCH FAMILY:** John Abbott, Alice Bowman, Judy Szulecki Bunin, Mary Clifton, Martha Crawley, Helen Dandridge, Martha Drane, Judy Epperly, Ann Grogan, George Lester, Marvin Midkiff, Betty Minter, Betty Prillaman, Shirley Roark, Jimmie Sexton, Benny Shires, Irene Simpson, Stacey Steagall, Shirley Stone, Yvonne Turner, Gayle Williams

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

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Baby Sprinkle for Kaylee White & Family

**TODAY 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall**

Join us in celebrating the upcoming arrival of Kaylee and her family's new baby boy! There will be a "Baby Sprinkle Drop-in" today! They are registered at Amazon.com.

#### Palm Sunday in the Park

The Martinsville-Henry County Ministerial Association is holding Palm Sunday in the Park this year at the Smith River Sports Complex Amphitheater at 2:00 p.m. on April 10<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome! Bring a lawn chair and your palm branch and enjoy the service.

#### **Maundy Thursday Service, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**

A shared Communion Service at Chatham Heights Baptist Church in the CHBC Sanctuary.

#### **Good Friday/Tenebrae Service, Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**

A shared "Service of Darkness" worship service in the FBC Sanctuary to hear the story of the Passion of Jesus.

\*Please stand as you are able

### Easter Lilies

Many of our members appreciate the opportunity to contribute to the Easter floral decorations for the Sanctuary. This is a way to honor or memorialize persons who are special to us. If you would like to help, please send your dedication information and your donation to the church office by Friday April 8th. Your gift will be acknowledged in the Easter Sunday bulletin.

### Candy Call for the Easter Egg Hunt

The Children & Youth Committee is collecting individually wrapped candy for our Easter Egg Hunt, which will take place on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Please drop off candy in the Narthex.

### Worship Care Schedule

Sunday, April 3- Sylvia Knight  
Sunday, April 10- Ruth Anne Collins

### Deacons of the Month: David Lewis and Jerry Perdue

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

### Opportunities for the Week

#### Sunday, April 3

9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School-Rm 105-107/Zoom  
9:45 a.m. Journey Small Group-Rm 110/Zoom  
9:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School-Church Nursery  
11:00 a.m. Worship-In-Person/Virtual  
**1:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting-Canceled**  
2:00 p.m. Kaylee White's Baby Sprinkle-Fellowship Hall

#### Monday, April 4

10:00 a.m. Children's Chapel-Sanctuary  
10:00 a.m. Women on Mission-In-Person/Zoom

To listen by phone: Call 1-833-548-0276, Meeting ID: 2766326336#,#

#### Tuesday, April 5

5:00 p.m. Easter Egg Prep (stuffing) Rm. 105  
5:15 p.m. Personnel Committee-Zoom

#### Thursday, April 7

10:00 a.m. Bible Study-Zoom  
5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room

### MISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS



#### Cooperative Baptist Fellowship

Women on Mission and the Church Missions Committee invite you to give generously to our annual CBF Offering for Global

Missions. Share in the abundant life of Christ by giving to the Offering for Global Missions. 100% of your gift will send CBF field personnel to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ around the world. Our goal this year is \$2,750. Raised to date: \$1,864.75

#### Grace Network April-June 2022 Food Assignment

Juice (40-64 oz.) 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](mailto:libby@fbcmartinsville.com) or 276-632-6336.

### Open Invitation

Our congregation wishes to partner with you and your family on a shared journey of faith. Whatever your background, we would love to explore with you how to join with us as we minister to this community together.

Please contact our pastor if you are interested in wanting to know more about following Jesus, how to join this church as an active participant, or if you'd like to recommit yourself to this church and its ministry.

*Our doors are always open.*



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Rev. John Fulcher  
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Rev. Ashley Harrington  
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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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LENT

\*Hymn 213 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* HAMBURG

When I survey the wondrous cross  
on which the Prince of glory died,  
my richest gain I count but loss,  
and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,  
save in the death of Christ, my God;  
all the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them through his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet,  
sorrow and love flow mingled down.  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
that were a present far too small;  
love so amazing, so divine,  
demands my soul, my life, my all.

\*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.

\*Song of Response

Hymn 563 *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*  
I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart.

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

*Refrain*

*In my heart, in my heart,*

*Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.*

Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart, in my heart.

Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.

*Refrain*

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart.

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.

*Refrain*

Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart, in my heart.

Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.

*Refrain*

### Gratitude for Giving...

A.J. LESTER BENEVOLENT FUND: Gifts have been given in memory of Ted Hatcher by Richard & Linda Dorr, Marcia Collins, Linda Read.

CHILDREN & YOUTH FUND: A gift has been given in memory Irene Simpson by Roy & Nancy Thomas. FULLER-DAVIS MUSIC FUND:

A gift has been given in memory of John Collins by Cliff & Jean Rood and Ruth Dandridge. A gift has been given in memory of Irene

Simpson by Cliff & Jean Rood. GRACE NETWORK: Gifts have been given in memory of Irene Simpson by Becky Stone and Ruth

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