

A Service of Worship

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 11, 2025

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

Welcome and Invocation Rev. Steve Zimmerman

Prelude *Morning Has Broken* arr. Fred Bock
Baxter Jennings, organ; John Fulcher, piano

Call to Worship *(Inspired by Psalm 100)* Rev. Caroline Taminger

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness!

People: Come into God's presence with singing!

Leader: Know this! The Lord is God.
We belong to the Lord who made us.

**People: Know this! We are God's people,
and the sheep of God's pasture.**

Leader: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving,
Come into the holy courts with praise.

People: Give thanks to God and bless God's holy name.

Leader: For the Lord is good;

**People: God's steadfast love endures forever,
God's faithfulness is for all generations.**

*Hymn 108 *Come, Christian, Join to Sing* MADRID

Pastoral Prayer Rev. David Cameron

Hearing the Scriptures

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 47:1-7 Rev. John Fulcher
The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

*Hymn 514 *Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine* ASSURANCE

Children's Worship Pastor Caroline

After children's worship, children age 7 and under are invited to join our nursery workers for age-appropriate children's church

*Please stand as you are able

Committing Our Lives

*Hymn 262 *Rejoice, the Lord is King* DARWELL

*Prayer of Commitment & Lord's Prayer Rev. Zimmerman

**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.**

+*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.**

Engaging the Scriptures

Anthem *Praise The Lord With Joyful Song* Hopson

Sermon *Finding Your Joy with Others* Rev. Zimmerman
Philippians 2:1-11

The Word of God for the People of God: **Thanks be to God**

Responding to God

*Song of Response
Hymn 710 *We Are Called to Be God's People*
AUSTRIAN HYMN

Postlude *Alleluia! What a Savior* arr. Paul Fey
Join us as we reflect on our worship of God today.

Benediction Rev. Zimmerman

Today is the Fourth 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.*

Nursery

Our nursery is available for children seven and under.
The nursery is down the hall from the Narthex and to the right.

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.

Our 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 #, #

+Giving in Worship at First Baptist – We welcome your gifts to support the mission and ministry of First Baptist Church. You can give in worship by dropping your offering (check/cash) in our offering plate in the Narthex, or you can give online anytime at fbcmartinsville.com/give.

Reminders

May Birthdays: 15 Marsha Garren, 30 Bill Sapp

Prayers for our Church Family: Alice Bowman, John Burgess, Mary Clifton, Martha Drane, Ann Grogan, Armand Harrell, Betsy Miers, Betty Prillaman, Shirley Reeves, Shirley Roark, Benny Shires, Yvonne Turner

Deacon of the Month: Susan Sapp
She will assist other deacons with visitations as needed.

Grace Network Apr.-Jun. 2025 Food Assignment:
Creamed Corn (15 oz) Place food in the Missions Room 103.

Gratitude for Giving
GENERAL FUND: A gift has been given in memory of Martha Crawley by Marilyn Turner.

Announcements

A Welcome & Farewell Covered Dish Lunch Sunday, June 1st after Worship
Mark your calendars and plan on joining us as we say "thank you" to Rev. Steve Zimmerman for his interim ministry here, and welcome Rev. Dr. Mike Hatfield as our new pastor. Bring your favorite side dish and/or salad; the Hospitality Committee will supply chicken tenders, ham biscuits, and dessert.

ELC Outdoor Garden- Potting Soil Needed
The garden area outside the 4/5yr old classroom is almost done. ELC is asking for donations of ½ cubic or 1 cubic ft. bags of potting soil to help fill the raised containers. Check out this exciting new addition to learning!

Birthday Wishes
Nancy Stanton McDaniel will be turning 75 June 9th. Nancy was FBC's Minister of Education from 1980 to 2000. For this birthday family and friends are hoping for Nancy to receive 75 birthday cards so spread the word and send her birthday wishes. Her address is:

Rev. Nancy McDaniel
14601 Jefferson Ave.
Chester, VA 23836

Happy Mother's Day!



For all the mothers who are still with us, and for those who have gone to be with Jesus, we give thanks today. For all those who mothered us, some in addition to our own mothers, some in place of absent mothers, we recognize you, and give thanks for you. For all women who have been figures of grace and love in our lives, your example has been meaningful to us. We pray that this day brings visits, phone calls, and cards, love and light your way, mothers and mothering women. We love you! A gift has been given to Grace Network in your honor.

Opportunities for the Week

Sunday, May 11

9:30 a.m. Sunday School-Rm. 105/Zoom

11:00 a.m. Worship-Sanctuary/Online

Monday, May 12

12:15 p.m. ELC Committee-Rm. 105

7:00 p.m. Smith River Singers Concert (*Galilean House of Worship*)

Tuesday, May 13

8:45 a.m. Children's Chapel-Classrooms

10:30 a.m. Administrative Planning Meeting-Rm 105

Wednesday, May 14

10:00 a.m. Library Committee-Library

Thursday, May 15

10:00 a.m. Bible Study-1 Kings-Rm 105/Zoom

4:15 p.m. School Age Chapel-Sanctuary

5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room

Upcoming Summer Activities

Combined Pentecost Service June 8th at 10:30 a.m.

Chatham Heights Baptist Church (CHBC)

Join us for worship at CHBC to celebrate the birthday of the Church, Pentecost! The children and youth will bring us the sermon and we will have a combined choir made up of the FBC and CHBC choirs. Make sure to wear **red, orange, or yellow!**

Farmer's Market Intergenerational VBS

***Parent/Guardian Must Accompany Children**

When: July 12th

Time: 10:30-1:30 (Drop in any time during this time frame)

**Where: Chatham Heights Baptist parking lot
(rain location: fellowship hall)**

Join us for our Farmer's Market VBS at Chatham Heights Baptist Church! Walk through different stations that teach the different Fruits of the Spirit. There will be crafts, games, food and fun for all ages!

Welcome to First Baptist Church!

We are #yourcitychurch in Martinsville...

Coming together with 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.

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.

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, contact us at info.fbcmartinsville.com, (276) 632-6336, steve@fbcmartinsville.com or his cell (336) 214-3958.

Our doors are always open. Come see and serve what God is doing among us as we worship in Christ's name.



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Rev. Steve Zimmerman
Interim Pastor

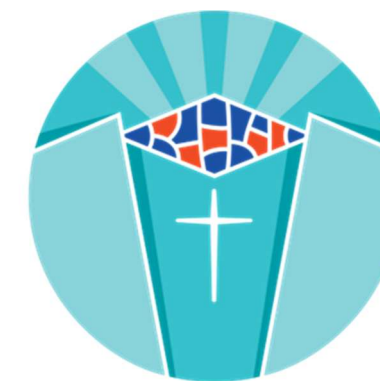
Rev. David Cameron
Associate Pastor for
Music & Worship

Rev. Caroline Taminger
Associate Pastor
for Families

Baxter Jennings
Organist

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EASTERTIDE

*Hymn 108 *Come, Christian, Join to Sing* MADRID

Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!
loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!
Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;
praise is his gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!
let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!
He is our guide and friend, to us he'll condescend;
his love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again; Alleluia! Amen!
life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore, his goodness we'll adore,
singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"

*Hymn 514 *Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine* ASSURANCE

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory
divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit,
washed in his blood.

Refrain:

*This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.*

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on
my sight; angels descending bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love. *Refrain*

Perfect submission, all is at rest. I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness,
lost in his love. *Refrain*

*Hymn 262 *Rejoice, the Lord is King* DARWELL

Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore:
lift up your heart,
lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

The Lord the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains he took his seat above:
lift up your heart,
lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail, he rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of death and hell to Christ the Lord are given:
lift up your heart,
lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord the Judge shall come,
and take his servants up to their eternal home.
Lift up your heart,
lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

*Song of Response

Hymn 710 *We Are Called to Be God's People* AUSTRIAN HYMN

We are called to be God's people, showing by our lives his grace,
one in heart and one in spirit, sign of hope for all the race.
Let us show how he has changed us, and remade us as his own,
let us share our life together as we shall around his throne.

We are called to be God's servants, working in his world today;
taking his own task upon us, all his sacred words obey.
Let us rise, then, to his summons, dedicate to him our all,
that we may be faithful servants, quick to answer now his call.

We are called to be God's prophets, speaking for the truth and right,
standing firm for godly justice, bringing evil things to light.
Let us seek the courage needed, our high calling to fulfill,
that the world may know the blessing of the doing of God's will