

A Service of Worship

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 10, 2026

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 Rev. Dr. Mike Hatfield

Prelude *Irish Toccata* Stamm
Baxter Jennings, organ

Call to Worship Dr. Hatfield

Leader: We are gathered together to worship the God
who has called us to love God.

**People: And the God who has asked us to follow
God's direction.**

Leader: We are invited to worship God in the Spirit
of truth.

**People: We do so because we know the Spirit and
the Spirit knows us.**

Leader: We are reminded that we are not alone.

**People: Because the Holy Spirit is among us, Jesus
is with God, and God is present.**

Leader: Let us rejoice that because he lives, we, too, live!
—Based on John 14:15-21

Invocation Dr. Hatfield

*Hymn 263 *Alleluia, Sing to Jesus* HYFRYDOL

Dedication of Our Children Dr. Hatfield
(See Insert)

Hearing the Scriptures

New Testament Lesson Acts 17:22-31 Dr. Dennis Knight
The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Lesson John 14:15-21
The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Worship Dr. Mike

Committing Our Lives

*Hymn 5 *Come, Thou Almighty King* ITALIAN HYMN

*Please stand as you are able

Prayer of Commitment & Lord's Prayer Dr. Hatfield

**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 *Like a Flowing River* Powell

Sermon *We Need All the Help We Can Get* Dr. Hatfield

Responding to God

*Song of Response
Hymn 543 *Christ Beside Me* BUNESSAN

*Benediction Dr. Hatfield

*As the Father has loved you, go now and love. As the Son has
forgiven and redeemed you, go now, extending grace to all you
meet. As the Spirit has transformed you into the likeness of the
Son, go now, letting the life of Christ guide you each moment of
the day. Go now, in love, with grace and in the light of Jesus.
Amen.*

Postlude *Jesus Christ is Risen* arr. Lani Smith
A musical reflection on our worship of God today.

***As we depart, we go into the world to serve
to the glory of Jesus Christ.***

Today is the Sixth 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.*

+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.

Nursery & Children's Chapel

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 #, #

Reminders

May Birthdays: 1 Linda Gale, 5 Beth Kotchish, 7 Helen Hensley,
15 Marsha Garren, 30 Bill Sapp

Prayers for our Church Family: John Burgess, Mary Clifton,
Martha Drane, Imogene McMillan, Betty Prillaman, Shirley Reeves,
Shirley Roark, Benny Shires, Yvonne Turner

Deacon of the Month: Linda Dorr

She will assist other deacons with visitations as needed.

Personnel Anniversary Recognition

*On behalf of the Personnel Committee and Church Family,
we appreciate your dedicated service, devotion, and
commitment to First Baptist Church of Martinsville.*

6 Year Anniversary

May 11, 2020
Kaylee White, Financial Secretary

Gratitude for Giving:

FLOWER FUND: A gift has been given in Loving Memory of
Gayle Williams on Mother's Day and her birthday, May 12th, 2026,
by Christa & Eric Stultz, and Ebb Williams.

Opportunities for the Week

Sunday, May 10

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

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

Monday, May 11

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

7:00 p.m. Smith River Singers Concert- Galilean House of Worship

Tuesday, May 12

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

Thursday, May 14

10:00 a.m. Bible Study-2 Chronicles-Rm 105/Zoom

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



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.

Announcements

WMU Mission Project for May

We will be collecting children's books for Altrusa's Laundromat Project. Please place all books in the container in the Missions Room.

Grace Network Apr.-Jun. 2026 Food Assignment:

Liquid Dish Detergent

Place items in the Missions Room 103.

Upcoming Pentecost Service- Sunday, May 24th at 10:30 a.m.

We will be having a joint service with Chatham Heights Baptist Church here in the FBC Sanctuary. Please mark your calendars and note the time change. Don't forget to wear the colors of fire, red, yellow and orange!

ELC Preschool Graduation & Art Show

Graduation will be held on Friday May 29th at 12:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The 4 & 5-year-old preschool's artwork will be displayed in the Fellowship Hall.

2026 Graduate Recognition-Let us know!

Sunday, June 7th

Do you have a child or grandchild graduating from high school, college, technical school, or graduate school? Let us know so we can recognize them in our bulletin, e-newsletter, and in worship. Call or email the church office with the graduate's name, school and major/degree. The deadline for submitting a name is May 15th.

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.



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
MARTINSVILLE, VA

Live Faith, Be Love, Speak Hope

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, mike@fbcmartinsville.com or his cell (276) 340-7550.

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



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Rev. John Fulcher
Minister of Music

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EASTERTIDE

*Hymn 263 *Alleluia, Sing to Jesus* HYFRYDOL

Alleluia, sing to Jesus! his the scepter, his the throne:
Alleluia! his the triumph, his the victory alone.
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood.
Jesus, out of every nation, has redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia! not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! he is near us; faith believes nor questions how
Though the cloud from sight received him
when the forty days were o'er, shall our hearts forget his promise,
"I am with you evermore?"

Alleluia! heavenly High Priest, here on earth our help, our stay;
Alleluia! hear the sinful cry to you from day to day.
Intercessor, Friend of sinners, earth's Redeemer, hear our plea,
where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

*Hymn 5 *Come, Thou Almighty King* ITALIAN HYMN

Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing;
help us to praise: Father all-glorious, o'er all victorious,
come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword,
our prayer attend: come, and thy people bless,
and give thy word success: Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour:
thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart,
and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power.

To thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be hence evermore!
Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see,
and to eternity love and adore!

*Song of Response

Hymn 543 *Christ Beside Me* BUNESSAN

Christ beside me, Christ before me, Christ behind me,
King of my heart; Christ within me, Christ below me,
Christ above me never to part.

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,
Christ all around me shield in the strife;
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting,
Christ in my rising—light of my life.

Christ be in all hearts thinking about me,
Christ be on all tongues telling of me;
Christ be the vision in eyes that see me,
In ears that hear me Christ ever be.

Christ beside me, Christ before me, Christ behind me,
King of my heart; Christ within me, Christ below me,
Christ above me never to part.

Dedication of our Children

"The Blessing Song" Walker/Harvill

The Sanctuary Choir

LITANY OF DEDICATION

Mike: We are here today to present **Ayden, Ian, Madeline,**
and **Oliver** to the church and to dedicate them to God.
Who brings their child for this holy purpose?

**Parents: *We bring our child to be dedicated to
the Lord.***

Mike: What can we affirm about these children?

**People: That they are made in the image of God
and a child of God's by creation.**

Mike: As they grow in our congregation, how will
we show that they are a child of God?

**People: We will give them our love and will
include them in the experience of the
congregation.**

Mike: As they grow into childhood, what will we
tell them about the history of faith?

**People: We will tell them
about Abraham, the father of our faith;
about Sara, the mother of Isaac;
about Moses, who led our ancestors out of bondage;
about Ruth's example of faithfulness;
about the Jewish hope for a Messiah;
about Mary and Joseph's openness to mystery;
about Jesus Christ the savior; and
about the history of the church as the people of God.**

Mike: What will we expect from these children?

**People: We look to the day when they will sit with us at
the Lord's table, declare faith in Jesus Christ,
confirm the heritage that we pass along to them,
and come as an adult with full commitment to god's
will and work.**

Mike: Do you, as parents, assume your primary responsibility
for keeping this child in touch with such expectations?

**Parents: *Yes. we willingly pledge to work toward creating a
nurturing, spiritual environment for our child.***

Mike: And do you, the congregation, pledge to work toward
creating a nurturing environment for **Ayden, Ian,
Madeline, and Oliver?**

People: Yes, we do, for they belong to us as well.

Mike: Then may God be with us on our nurturing journey
with these children.

People: Amen.

Blessing of the Children

A Prayer of Dedication

Ayden Joesph Brannock

Birthday: October 31, 2025

Wt. & Ht.: 7 lbs. 3 oz., 19 inches

Son of : Joseph and Jessica Brannock

Grandparents: Benny Brannock and Alice Hawks
Wayne Overman Jr. and Frances Siddle

Ian James Darden Engstrom

Birthday: June 26, 2024

Wt. & Ht.: 7 lbs. 12.7 oz., 20.5 inches

Son of: Grayce and Eric Engstrom

Grandparents: Crystal and Gary Darden
Christy and Daren Hall
Jay Engstrom and Whitney Sarver-Crouse

Madeline Wilson

Birthday: July 19, 2025

Daughter of: Brianna Rook and James Wilson

Grandparents: Bonnie and Ron Wilson

Oliver Wilson

Birthday: September 26, 2021

Son of: Brianna Rook and James Wilson

Grandparents: Bonnie and Ron Wilson