

First Baptist Church



Growing Toward Christ

March 18, 2018

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 18, 2018

Morning Worship

Eleven O'clock

* Please stand as you are able.

Greeting

Rev. Ryan Clore

The threefold bell toll represents the doctrine of the Trinity:
God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Meditation

God of thundering glory and wondrous love,
you lifted up Jesus Christ from the earth
to draw all people to your holy name.
Like grains of wheat that fall to the dust,
teach us to die—and so to bear much fruit,
giving our lives for the sake of the gospel,
following and serving Christ forever. Amen.

Prelude

Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine

Mr. Jim Council
ASSURANCE
arr. Robert Hebble

Call to Worship

Lift High the Cross

The Chancel Choir
arr. Robert Lau

Invocation

Rev. Clore

* **Hymn of Praise, No. 21**

STUTTART

O My Soul, Bless God the Father

Responsive Reading

Psalm 51:1-13

Congregation

Leader: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

People: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from
my sin.

Leader: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.
Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in
your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless
when you pass judgment.

People: Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.

Leader: You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom
in my secret heart.

* Hymn of Commitment, No. 325

FISCHER

Whiter Than Snow

* Benediction

Rev. Clore

* Benediction Response

The Chancel Choir

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

ST. FLAVIAN

Be with us through this season, Lord,
And all our earthly days,
That when the final Easter dawns,
We join in heaven's praise.

* Postlude

Mr. Council

All Glory Be To God On High

J. S. Bach

The flowers are given to the Glory of God by Gayle Powell.

Today's meditation was copied from *Call to Worship*, PAM, Louisville, KY, 2014.

Sunday, March 18

- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir Warm-up
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship, Children's Worship
- 4:00 p.m. Melody Makers, (Ages 4 - 1st grade)
- 4:30 p.m. Youth/Adult Handbells
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Sunday Planning Meeting

Monday, March 19

- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 1:00 p.m. Finance Meeting
- 3:00 p.m. Knit Wits (Knitting Ministry)

Tuesday, March 20

- 7:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting

Wednesday, March 21

**Deadline for Member Info Sheet and
Spiritual Gifts Assessment Books**

- 5:00 p.m. Children's Music Activity, Grades 1-5
- 5:45 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper
- 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Equipping Church
Study ch. 10, Godly
Play Children's Program
- 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir

Saturday, March 24

- 5:00 - 7:30 p.m. Glow-in-the-dark Easter egg hunt

Deacons of the Week

Eric Underwood / Glenn Waters



Ministerial Staff

Rev. Ryan Clore, Pastor
Rev. Eddie Fort, Minister of Music

Support Staff

Mrs. Teresa Malpass, Ministry Assistant
Mrs. Dinah Reaves, Financial Ministry Assistant
Mr. Jim Council, Interim Organist

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