

First Baptist Church



Growing Toward Christ

March 3, 2024

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, March 3, 2024

Morning Worship

Eleven o'clock

Then I called on the name of the Lord: "Please, Lord, save me!" How kind the Lord is! How good He is! So merciful, this God of ours! The Lord protects those of childlike faith; I was facing death and He saved me. Let my soul be at rest again, for the Lord has been good to me. He has saved me from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling. And so I walk in the Lord's presence as I live here on earth!

Psalms 116:4-8 NLT

Prelude

The Old Rugged Cross

Mrs. Patricia Slomanski
arr. Herbert Colvin

Choral Call to Worship

Open Our Eyes, Lord

Chancel Choir

Greeting and Announcements

Dr. Christopher T. Hillman

Invocation

Dr. Hillman

Hymn of Praise, No. 16

O Worship the King

Congregation

Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord . . . Thou art very great. Psalm 104:1 KJV

Responsive Reading

Mr. Stephen Prince

**Hebrews 4:14-16; Matthew 6:7-8;
Psalms 69:32-34; Amos 9:11**

Leader: Therefore, since we have a great High Priest Who has entered into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to what we believe!

People: This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses.

Leader: For He faced all of the same testings that we do, yet He did not sin.

People: So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive His mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most.

Leader: And when you pray, do not babble on and on as the pagans do. They think their prayers are answered merely by repeating their words again and again.

People: Do not be like them, for your Father knows exactly what you need even before you ask Him!

Leader: The humble will see their God at work and be glad!

People: Let all who seek God's help be encouraged.

Leader: For the Lord hears the cries of the needy!

People: Praise Him, O heaven and earth, the seas and all that move in them.

Leader: In that day I will restore the fallen house of David. I will repair its damaged walls!

All: From the ruins, our God will rebuild it and restore it to its former glory!

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Dr. Hillman

Offertory Hymn, No. 140 *Down at the Cross*

Congregation

To reconcile to Himself all things . . . through His blood, shed on the cross. Colossians 1:20 NIV

Offertory Prayer

Mr. Haywood Corbett

Offertory

It Is Well With My Soul

Mrs. Slomanski

(with excerpt from Beethoven's *Moonlight Sonata* 1st Movement) arr. Marilyn Ham

*When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
When sorrows like sea billows roll: The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
Whatever my lot, Thou has taught me to say, The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
It is well with my soul. "Even So, " it is well with my soul.
It is well with my soul, It is well with my soul,
It is well, it is well with my soul. It is well, it is well with my soul.*

Doxology

Congregation

*Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

Children's Sermon

Mrs. Donna Prince

Worship Through Music

How Great Thou Art

Chancel Choir

Reading of the Holy Scripture

Dr. Hillman

Philippians 4:19

Sermon

Our Great God Will Provide

Dr. Hillman

Hymn of Invitation, No. 312

Congregation

Softly and Tenderly

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28 NIV

Benediction

Dr. Hillman

Postlude

When We all Get to Heaven

Mrs. Slomanski
arr. Harold DeCou



The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Butch and Beverly Pope
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and S. E. Pridgen, Jr. & Amie Blackmon Pridgen.

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

- 9:45 a.m. Sunday, March 3
 11:00 a.m. Sunday School
 Morning Worship
- 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 5
 6:30 p.m. Bible Study
 Nominating Committee Meeting
- 12:00 noon Wednesday, March 6
 6:30 p.m. WUMC Lenten Service with lunch to follow
 Wednesday Night Prayer Service
- 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 7
 Growing Young Forum (2 of 3)

LOOKING AHEAD

- 2:00 a.m. Sunday, March 10
 Spring Forward for Daylight Saving Time
- 10:00 a.m. Monday, March 11
 WMU Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 12, 19, 26
 Bible Study
- 12:00 noon Wednesday, March 13, 20, 27
 6:30 p.m. WUMC Lenten Service with lunch to follow
 Wednesday Night Prayer Service
- 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 14
 Growing Young Forum (3 of 3)
- 9:30 a.m. Monday, March 18
 Finance Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 19
 Deacons' Meeting
- 5:54 p.m. Wednesday, March 20
 The Contact— Newsletter Announcement
 Cut-off Reminder
 Wednesday Night Supper
- 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 28
 Maundy Thursday Service
- 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 29
 Family Movie Night featuring the movie,
 "Risen"

Special Offerings

Heck Jones Offering \$2,692
 Baptist Homes \$150



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 3/10 Kate C. Lee / Kirby Sanderson
 3/17 Sandi Floyd / Mel Ray
 3/24 Willis Pinnell / Glenn Waters