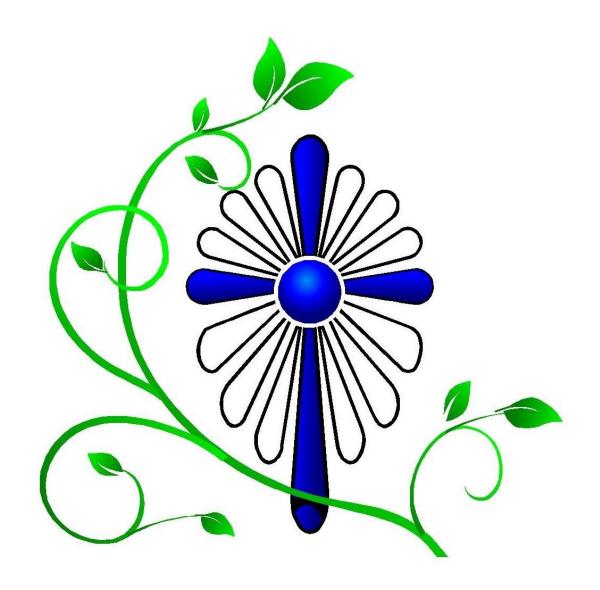
# First Baptist Church



## **Growing Toward Christ**

March 31, 2019

## THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

## Fourth Sunday in Lent March 31, 2019

## Morning Worship

Eleven o' clock

\* Please stand as you are able.

**Greeting** Rev. Ryan Clore

**Meditation** God of lost and found,

through Jesus Christ you call us

to repent and return from our wandering ways. Lead us safely home, O Lord, so that we might be reconciled to you and to one another; in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

The threefold bell toll represents the doctrine of the Trinity:

God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Prelude Mr. Jim Council

Blessed Jesus, We Are Here Johann Sebastian Bach

Call to Worship Congregation

Leader: O magnify the Lord with me; let us exalt God's name together!

People: For when we judge ourselves unworthy to be called the children

of God, the Lord looks upon us with compassion, and runs to

embrace us while we are still far away.

Leader: O magnify the Lord with me; let us exalt God's name together!

People: For when we judge our neighbors unworthy to be called the

children of God, the Lord looks upon them and weeps for joy,

and makes a great feast while we stand at a distance.

Leader: O magnify the Lord with me; let us exalt God's name together!

People: For the humble shall be received with honor, and the haughty

shall be humbled; every prodigal shall return with hope, and every

elder shall rejoice with gladness!

Invocation Rev. Clore

\* Hymn of Praise, No.208

**BEECHER** 

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 32

Mr. Coburn Powell

Hymn Response, No. 306 Depth of Mercy **SEYMOUR Epistle Reading** 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 Mrs. Jolene Lewis \* Offertory Hymn, No. 453 **ORTONVILLE** How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds \* Offertory Prayer Mrs. Trish Sanderson Offertory Mr. Council Voluntary in B Flat Franz Liszt \* Offertory Response Doxology **HAMBURG** Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavn'ly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Children's Sermon Mrs. Sandi Floyd Pastoral Prayer Rev. Clore Worship through Song The Chancel Choir Nearer, My God, to Thee arr. Dan Forrest The Gospel Reading Luke 15:1-5, 11b-32 Rev. Clore Sermon Open Arms Rev. Clore \* Hymn of Commitment, No. 312 **THOMPSON** Softly and Tenderly Benediction Rev. Clore \* Benediction Response The Chancel Choir Light of Christ **Eddie Fort** Light of Christ, shine on our path.
Chase away all darkness,
and lead us to the heart of God. Amen. \* Postlude Mr. Council Postlude in C Maior

**Johannes Brahms** 



The flowers are given to the Glory of God.

The meditation was copied from Call to Worship, PAM, Louisville, KY, 2015.

Today's Call to Worship was copied from *Litanies and Other Prayers*, Abingdon Press, Nashville, TN, 1994.

#### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK**

### Sunday, March 31

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir Warm-up

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship, Children's Worship

**3:30 p.m.** Youth Sunday Preparation

4:30 p.m. Youth/Adult Handbells

5:20 p.m. Youth Choir

Monday, April 1

**10:00 a.m.** Staff Meeting

Wednesday, April 3

**5:00 p.m.** Young Musicians (grades 1-5)

**5:45 p.m.** Wednesday Night Supper

**6:30 p.m.** Prayer Meeting, Bible Study,

Godly Play Children's Program

7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir

**Deacons of the Week** 

Coburn Powell / Glenn Waters

#### **Operation Inasmuch Projects**

**Linens Ministry** - Collecting sheets, mattress covers and blankets (place on missions table).



#### Ministerial Staff

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