

First Baptist Church



Growing Toward Christ

April 6, 2025

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

Sunday

April 6, 2025

Morning Worship

Eleven o' clock

Farmers who wait for perfect weather never plant. If they watch every cloud, they never harvest. Just as you cannot understand the path of the wind or the mystery of a tiny baby growing in its mother's womb, so you cannot understand the activity of God, who does all things.

Ecclesiastes 11:4-6 NLT

Prelude

Amazing Grace

Mrs. Pat Slomanski
arr. Diane Bish

Greeting and Announcements

Dr. Christopher Hillman

Spoken Call to Worship

Psalm 130:5

Congregation

I wait for the LORD, my soul doth wait, and in His word do I hope.

Invocation

Dr. Hillman

Hymn of Praise, No. 202

Congregation

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
To the Lamb be praise and honor and glory. Revelation 5:13 NIV*

Responsive Reading

Dr. Hillman

Leader: God of justice, God of mercy—we thank You for the many opportunities that You provide us with.

People: And we thank You for calling us out of our complacency, O Lord.

Leader: Father God, that You would draw our faith into action for the sake of others.

People: Use us right now, Father God. Use us right now.

Leader: It's through Your Son—that His life was a sacrifice for us!

People: And may we use our lives to cast a glowing reflection of Him.

Leader: Father God, that we would live a life that showcases Your love!

People: Yes, in us—may others see You.

Leader: God of justice, God of mercy—we thank You for the many opportunities that You provide us with!

All: BRING US INTO YOUR SERVICE RIGHT NOW, O LORD—BRING US RIGHT NOW!

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Dr. Fred Senter

Old Testament Reading

Proverbs 3:21-35

Mrs. Donna Prince

Offertory Hymn, No. 329

Congregation

Grace Greater Than Our Sin
Grace increased all the more. Romans 5:20 NIV

Offertory Prayer

Mr. Willis Pinnell

Offertory

It Is Well With My Soul

Mrs. Slomanski
arr. Albin Whitworth

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

Doxology

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.

Congregation

Children's Sermon

Mrs. Donna Prince

New Testament Reading

Hebrews 13:15-21

Mr. Stephen Prince

Worship through Song

Chancel Choir

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Scripture Reading

John 9:4

Dr. Hillman

Sermon

"Holy Assignments"

Dr. Hillman

Hymn of Invitation, No. 285

Congregation

Wherever He Leads I'll Go
When they came to the place called the Skull . . . they crucified Him. Luke 23:33 NIV

Benediction

Dr. Hillman

Postlude

March Pontificale

Mrs. Slomanski
arr. Jacques Lemmons

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The flowers today are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of
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UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

- Sunday, April 6**
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
12:30 p.m. CAC—Meet at Anna's Tex Mex
- Tuesday, April 8**
6:00 p.m. Nominating Committee Meeting in the conference room
- Wednesday, April 9**
12:00 noon Lenten Service at Whiteville United Methodist Church with Pastor Hillman speaking
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Prayer Service

LOOKING AHEAD

- Sunday, April 13, 20, 27**
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
- Monday, April 14**
9:30 a.m. Finance Meeting
10:00 a.m. WMU Meeting
- Tuesday, April 15**
6:30 p.m. Deacons' Meeting
- Wednesday, April 16**
12:00 noon Lenten Service at Whiteville United Methodist Church with Rev. Wallyce Todd Speaking
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Prayer Service
Book Study Order Deadline
- Thursday, April 17**
6:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service
- Sunday, April 20**
6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
- Monday, April 21**
Office closed for Easter
- Wednesday, April 23**
10:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayer Service
5:45 p.m. Covered-dish Meal
6:30 p.m. Quarterly Church Conference
- Wednesday, April 30**
10:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayer Service
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Prayer Service



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Deacons of the Week

4/06 Buster Carter / Bobby Hensley
4/13 Willis Pinnell / Mary Alice Stanley
4/20 Donna Prince / Betty Jo Prevatte
4/27 Gina Morningstar / Kirby Sanderson

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