

First Baptist Church



Growing Toward Christ

April 30, 2023

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 30, 2023

Morning Worship

Eleven o'clock

Prelude

Jesus Loves Me

Dr. Patricia Slomanski
Albin Whitworth

Invocation

Dr. Wayne Brown

Scriptural Call to Worship

*For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son,
that whosoever believeth in Him,
should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16*

Hymn of Challenge, No. 567 *Share His Love*

SULLIVAN

Greeting and Welcome

Dr. Brown

Scriptural Responsive Reading

Mr. John Sauls

Romans 3:23, 6:23; II Corinthians 6:2; Acts 8:26-40

Leader: For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

People: For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Leader: For He says: "In an acceptable time I have heard you, and in the day of salvation I have helped you." Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

People: Now an angel of the Lord spoke to Philip, saying, "Arise and go toward the south along the road which goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is desert.

Leader: So he arose and went. And behold, a man of Ethiopia, a eunuch of great authority under Candace the queen of the Ethiopians, who had charge of all her treasury, and had come to Jerusalem to worship, was returning. And sitting in his chariot, he was reading Isaiah the prophet.

People: Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go near and overtake this chariot." So Philip ran to him, and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah, and said, "Do you understand what you are reading?"

Leader: And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he asked Philip to come up and sit with him.

People: The place in the Scripture which he read was this: "He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; and as a lamb before its shearer is silent, so He opened not His mouth. In His humiliation His justice was taken away, and who will declare His generation? For His life is taken from the earth."

Leader: So the eunuch answered Philip and said, "I ask you, of whom does the prophet say this, of himself or of some other man?"

People: **Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning at this Scripture, preached Jesus to him.**

Leader: Now as they went down the road, they came to some water. And the eunuch said, "See, here is water. What hinders me from being baptized?"

People: **Then Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may." And he answered and said, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God."**

Leader: So he commanded the chariot to stand still. And both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water, and he baptized him.

People: **Now when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught Philip away, so that the eunuch saw him no more; and he went on his way rejoicing.**

All: **But Philip was found at Azotus, and passing through, he preached in all the cities till he came to Caesarea.**

Offertory Hymn, No. 177

THAT NAME

There's Something About That Name

Prayer of Dedication for Our Gifts to God

Mr. Brownie Cook

Receiving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Wondrous Love Medley

Dr. Slomanski
Marilyn Ham

Children's Sermon

Rev. Wallyce Todd

Worship Through Music

Jesus Loves Me

Children and Congregation
CHINA

Reading of the Holy Scripture

Mrs. Kate C. Lee

Philippians 2:5-11; Romans 10:8-13; Acts 16:25-34

Sermon Who . . . What . . . When . . . Where . . . Why . . . and How? Dr. Brown

Hymn of Commitment, No. 557

PEOPLE NEED THE LORD

People Need the Lord

Benediction

Dr. Brown

Postlude

Fanfare on Onward Christian Soldiers

Dr. Slomanski
Gordon Young



The flowers today are given to the glory of God.

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

- Sunday, April 30**
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
- Monday, May 1**
6:00 p.m. Bible Study Coordinated by the Pinnells and the Clyburns
7:30 p.m. Southeastern Oratorio Society
Performance at First Presbyterian Church of Whiteville

- Wednesday, May 3**
6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting

- Sunday, May 7**
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship,
Special Music—Women’s Choir;
Message—Mrs. Joy Brown

LOOKING AHEAD

- Mother’s Day Sunday, May 14**
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship,
Special Music—Men’s Choir;
Message—Dr. Wayne Brown

- Wednesday, May 17**
5:45 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper
6:30 p.m. Special Guest Speaker, Dr. Andy Hale, Assistant Executive Coordinator of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of North Carolina. Please join us for a church-wide “round table” discussion of Ministerial Matters for First Baptist Church with time for questions and answers.
Open to all!

- Saturday, May 20**
8:00 a.m. Breakfast
8:30 a.m. Commissioning worship
9:00 a.m. Operation Inasmuch mission projects begin

- Sunday, May 21**
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship, OIM testimonies
3:00 p.m. Columbus Community Band Concert in the FBC sanctuary

Any student interested in applying for an FBC Educational Scholarship, please stop by the church office to pick up a form, or contact Donna Prince, 910-840-6673.

Monday evenings at Western Prong Baptist Church—Celebrate Recovery:
6:00 p.m.—Meal
7:00 p.m.—Session
8:00 p.m.—Small Groups



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Deacons of the Week

4/30 Kate C. Lee / John Sauls
5/07 Janice Young / Mel Ray
5/14 Tricia Sanderson / Ella Jo Sellers
5/21 Merle Worley / Hilda Ray