

First Baptist Church



Growing Toward Christ

May 3, 2020

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP
Fourth Sunday of Easter
May 3, 2020

Morning Worship

Eleven o' clock

* Please stand as you are able.

Greeting

Dr. Wayne Brown

Prelude

Fairest Lord Jesus

Mr. Randy Page
arr. Joel Raney

Invocation

Dr. Brown

Hymn of Praise, No. 231

MADRID

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Come, Christians, join to sing.
Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King;
Alleluia! Amen!
Let all, with heart and voice,
Before His throne rejoice;
Praise is His gracious choice:
Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high;
Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky;
Alleluia! Amen!
He is our guide and friend;
To us He'll condescend:
His love shall never end;
Alleluia! Amen!

Old Testament Reading

Congregation

Romans 3:23; Isaiah 1:18; 1 John 1:8-10; 2:1-2

Leader: For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.
Come now, let us reason together says the LORD.

**People: Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be white as snow;
Though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.**

Leader: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**People: If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us
our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Leader: My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. And if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous,

**All: and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only
but also for the sins of the whole world.**

Hymn, No. 185

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners

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(Please see the words on the next page.)

Jesus! What a friend for sinners!
Jesus! Lover of my soul;
Friends may fail me, foes assail me,
He, my Savior, makes me whole.

Refrain:
Hallelujah! What a Savior!
Hallelujah! What a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.

Jesus! I do now receive Him,
More than all in Him I find,
He hath granted me forgiveness
I am His, and He is mine.

Sing refrain:

Pastoral Prayer

Dr. Brown

Worship through Song

There Is a Balm in Gilead

Bridger Warlick
arr. Bettye Ware

The Gospel Reading

Dr. Brown

Sermon

The A, B, C's and D of Salvation, Part II

Dr. Brown

Hymn of Commitment, No. 141

LEMMEL

The Old Rugged Cross

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
The emblem of suff'ring and shame;
And I love that old cross where the dearest
and best,
For a world of lost sinners was slain.

Oh, that old rugged cross, so despised by
the world,
Has a wondrous attraction for me;
For the dear Lamb of God left His glory
above,
To bear it to dark Calvary.

Refrain:
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
Till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
And exchange it some day for a crown.

Sing refrain:

Benediction

Dr. Brown

Postlude

Mr. Page



We thank Randy Page for sharing his musical gifts as our guest organist today.

“The A, B, C’s and D of Salvation”
(Ten Steps for Growth as a Christian and How to Share Your Faith)

A = Admit

*For **all** have sinned and come short of the glory of God. (Romans 3:23)*
For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.
(Romans 6:23)

B = Believe

*For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever **believes** in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. (John 3:16)*
*So they said, “**Believe** on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household.”*
(Acts 16:31)

C = Confess

*If we **confess** our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (I John 1:9)*

D = Door

*Behold, I stand at the **door** and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the **door**, I will come in to him, and dine with him, and he with Me.*
(Revelation 3:20)

B = Baptize

*Then Peter said to them, “Repent, and let every one of you be **baptized** in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. (Acts 2:38)*

C = Church Membership

*And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the **assembling** of ourselves together. (Hebrews 10:24-25a)*

P = Pray

***Pray** without ceasing. (I Thessalonians 5:17)*

B = Bible Study

*Study to show yourself approved unto God, a workman that needs not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the **word** of truth. (II Timothy 2:15)*

G = Go

***Go** ye therefore, and teach all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the world. Amen. (Matthew 28:19-20)*

D = Do

*But be ye **doers** of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. (James 1:22)*

The A, B, C's and D of Salvation”
(Ten Steps for Growth as a Christian and How to Share Your Faith)

A = Romans 3:23 and 6:23

B = John 3:16; Acts 16:31

C = I John 1:9

D = Revelation 3:20

B = Acts 2:38

C = Hebrews 10:24-25a

P = I Thessalonians 5:17

B = II Timothy 2:15

G = Matthew 28:19-20

D = James 1:22

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The ten (10) steps can be demonstrated with our hands as we try to
“fly like an eagle” in sharing our faith:

Isaiah 40:31

*But those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength;
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,
they shall run and not be weary,
they shall walk and not faint.*

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5/24 Lauren Cole / Donna Prince