

First Baptist Church



Reflecting God's Hope For a New Day

April 19, 2026

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

Sunday

April 19, 2026

Morning Worship

Eleven o'clock

Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father's care. And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.

Matthew 10:29-31

Prelude

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

Mrs. Pat Slomanski
Johann Sebastian Bach

Greeting and Announcements

Dr. Christopher Hillman

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

from Isaiah 45

Congregation

Leader: You heavens above, rain down My righteousness; let the clouds shower it down.

People: Let the earth open wide, let salvation spring up. I, the Lord, have created it.

Leader: What sorrow awaits those who argue with their Creator.

People: Does a clay pot argue with its maker?

Leader: Does the clay dispute with the one who shapes it, saying, "Stop, you're doing it wrong!" Does the pot exclaim, "How clumsy can you be?"

People: How terrible it would be if a newborn baby said to its father, "Why was I born?" or if it said to its mother, "Why did you make me this way?"

Leader: This is what the Lord says - the Holy One of Israel and your Creator: "Do you question what I do for My children? Do you give me orders about the work of My hands?"

People: I am the One who made the earth and created people who live on it. With My hands I stretched out the heavens.

Leader: I will rise up Cyrus to fulfill My righteous purpose, and I will guide his actions.

All: AND HE WILL RESTORE MY CITY AND FREE MY CAPTIVE PEOPLE - WITHOUT SEEKING A REWARD! I, THE LORD OF HEAVEN'S ARMIES, HAVE SPOKEN!"

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Dr. Fred Senter

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 64:3-9

Mr. Butch Pope

Offertory Hymn, No. 208

Congregation

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God. 1 John 4:16 KJV

Offertory Prayer

Mr. Haywood Corbett

Offertory

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

Mrs. Slomanski
arr. Albin Whitworth

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to take Him at His word;
Just to rest upon His promise, Just to know,
"Thus saith the Lord."

O how sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to trust His cleansing blood;
Just in simple faith to plunge me
'Neath the healing, cleansing flood!

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust Him more!

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

Epistle Reading

Philippians 3:12-20

Mrs. Beverly Pope

Worship Through Song

All Creatures of Our God and King

The Chancel Choir

Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 18:3-4,6

Dr. Hillman

Sermon

"We Are God's Finest Work of Art"

Dr. Hillman

Hymn of Invitation, No. 321

Congregation

The Savior is Waiting

I stand at the door and knock, if anyone . . . opens the door, I will come in. Revelation 3:20 NIV

Benediction

Dr. Hillman

Postlude

Who Is On the Lord's Side?

Mrs. Slomanski
arr. John Innes



The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and to the memory of David Walters the husband of Peggy Walters.

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

- Sunday, April 19**
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
- Monday, April 20**
9:30 a.m. Finance Meeting
6:00 p.m. Book Study
- Tuesday, April 21**
6:30 p.m. Deacons' Meeting
- Wednesday, April 22**
10:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayer Service
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Prayer Service

LOOKING AHEAD

- Sunday, April 26**
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
- Monday, April 27**
6:00 p.m. Book Study
- Wednesday, April 29**
10:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayer Service
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Prayer Service
- Saturday, May 16**
Operation Inasmuch

If you have an announcement for the May Contact, please get that into the office this week.



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- 04/19 Buster Carter / Tricia Sanderson
- 04/26 Brownie Cook / John Sauls
- 05/03 Leigh Cook / Ron Walters
- 05/10 Gina Morningstar