

First Baptist Church



Reflecting God's Hope For a New Day

March 22, 2026

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

Sunday

March 22, 2026

Morning Worship

Eleven o'clock

*I leave you peace; My peace I give you. I do not give it to you as the world does.
So don't let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard Me say to you,
"I am going, but I am coming back to you."*

John 14:27-28 NCV

Prelude

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Mrs. Pat Slomanski
arr. Norman Johnson

Greeting and Announcements

Dr. Christopher Hillman

Invocation

Dr. Hillman

Hymn of Praise, No. 36

Congregation

*Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him
The heavens declare the glory of God. Psalm 19:1 KJV.*

Responsive Reading

from Psalm 130 and 131

Congregation

Leader: Out of the depths I cry to You, Lord. Lord, hear my voice!

People: Let Your ears be attentive to my cry for mercy.

Leader: If You, Lord, kept a record of sins, Lord, who could stand?

People: But with You there is forgiveness, so that we can, with reverence, serve You.

Leader: Yes, I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits, and in His word I put my hope.

People: I wait for the Lord, more than watchmen wait for the morning, more than watchmen wait for the morning.

Leader: Israel, put your hope in the Lord, for with the Lord is unfailing love and with Him is full redemption.

People: He Himself will redeem Israel from all their sins.

Leader: My heart is not proud, Lord, my eyes are not haughty; I do not concern myself with great matters or things too wonderful for me.

All: BUT I HAVE CALMED AND QUIETED MYSELF, I'M LIKE A WEANED CHILD WITH ITS MOTHER; LIKE A WEANED CHILD I AM CONTENT. ISRAEL, PUT YOUR HOPE IN THE LORD BOTH NOW AND FOREVER.

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Dr. Fred Senter

Old Testament Reading

Lamentations 3:23-29

Mr. Stephen Prince

Offertory Hymn, No. 139

At The Cross

Congregation

While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:8 NIV

Offertory Prayer Mr. Keith Beverley

Offertory *I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked* Mrs. Slomanski
I knelt to day where Jesus knelt, arr. Harold DeCou
Where all alone He prayed;
The Garden of Gethsemane—
My heart felt unafraid
I picked my heavy burden up,
And with Himnovat by my side,
I climbed the Hill of Calvary,
I climbed the Hill of Calvary,
I climbed the Hill of Calvary,
Where on the cross He died!

Doxology Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Congregation
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavn'ly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Children's Sermon Mrs. Donna Prince

Epistle Reading Romans 5:8-11 Mrs. Lauren Cole

Worship Through Song *My Tribute* Mrs. Slomanski
Just let me live my life; arr. John Innes
Let it be pleasing, Lord, to Thee.
And should I gain any praise,
Let it go to Calvary.
With His blood He has saved me;
With His pow'r He has raised me;
To God be the glory for the things He has done.

Scripture Reading Lamentations 3:19-22 Dr. Hillman

Sermon "We Must Prepare To Receive" Dr. Hillman

Hymn of Invitation, No. 144 Congregation
When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
May I never boast except in the cross of . . . Christ. Galatians 6:14 NIV

Benediction Dr. Hillman

Postlude *A Festal Fanfare* Mrs. Slomanski
Johann Sebastian Bach



*The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and
in loving memory of Lois Willetts on her birthday, March 22,
by Susan and Rick Roberts and Phyllis and A. E. Long.*

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, March 22
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
4:00 p.m. Family Movie - *Amazing Love: The Story of Hosea*

Wednesday, March 25
10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer Service
12:00 p.m. Lenten Service at WUMC with lunch to follow
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Prayer Service

LOOKING AHEAD

Palm Sunday, March 29
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
12:00 p.m. Church-wide Fellowship Lunch in the fellowship hall. Meat will be provided by the Family Life Committee. Please bring a vegetable, salad, or dessert

Wednesday, April 1
10:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayer Service
12:00 p.m. Lenten Service at WUMC with lunch to follow
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Prayer Service

Easter Sunday, April 5
6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship



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03/29	Donna Prince / Charlie Duncan
04/05	Mary Alice Stanley / Jeff Mahanes
04/12	Carolyn Grainger / Kirby Sanderson