

Our Worship of God

April 14, 2019

9:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

- Palm Sunday -

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Brittany McDonald Null

Palm Procession

Prayer of Commitment (responsive)

What a strange paradox; the King is coming, the people rejoice, singing 'Hosanna in the highest!'

yet they fail to understand that the King they welcome is the Servant King,

the King who washes his disciples' feet,

the King who came not with an army, but a weapon so powerful that not even death could resist,

the sacrificial love of God laid out upon a Cross.

Lord God, as we sing our 'Hosannas' today may we remember also that which you were riding toward;

the suffering and rejection, pain and humiliation, the cruel Cross. And let us look forward to the joy of Easter Day when you rose from death to reign forever.

Help us, as we daily lay our lives before you, to live the resurrection life that acknowledges Jesus as Lord and King over our lives. Amen.

†Opening Song Hosanna

Celebration of Baptism

Please follow the children over to the Sanctuary as we celebrate baptism.

Affirming our Faith

Family of God, the promises of God's grace are signed and sealed to us in our baptism. In baptism, God promises by grace alone to forgive our sins; to adopt us into the body of Christ, the church; to send the Holy Spirit daily to renew and cleanse us; and to resurrect us to eternal life.

This promise is made visible in the water of baptism. Water cleanses, purifies, refreshes, sustains; Jesus Christ is living water.
Through baptism Christ calls us to new obedience: To love and trust God completely; To forsake the evil of the world; and to live a new and holy life.

I invite you now as we celebrate the baptism of Reid, to reaffirm your faith in Jesus Christ and your commitment to Christ's church. Amen.

Candidate Reid Wilson

Response of the Congregation

We rejoice with you. We will pray for you. And we will walk with you in the way of Jesus.

†Passing the Peace of Christ

As you make your way back to the Fellowship Hall, we invite you to pass the peace of Christ to those around you.

Atonement - "At-one-ment"

†Litany of Solidarity (unison)

The Suffering Servant
becomes the healing source.
The stone rejected
becomes hope's cornerstone.
The Crucified One
is raised to new life.
The God of healing,
hope and life is in our midst:
Let us celebrate and worship our good God!

Gospel Reading Lillian Hoell

Matthew 27:45-50

[On the day of Jesus' Crucifixion] from noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "This man is calling for Elijah." At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him." Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last.

The Gospel of our Lord. **Praise be to Christ.**

Offertory Prayer

†Offering Every Knee Will Bow Down

Message Pastor Carol McEntyre

†Song of Response He Knows

†Benediction (responsive)

God, we are on a journey with you to the cross. The word is almost too big.
We can't get our arms around it.
Its meaning staggers us.

May we take seriously the meaning of your cross, as we take up ours, standing beside each other, daring one another to take the risks you ask so that together we can live out your mission in the world.

Worship Notes

Prayer of Commitment, written by John Birch, and posted on his Faith and Worship Website: www.faithandworship.com

Call to Worship, Rev. Susan Blain, and posted on the Worship Ways website.

Hosanna, Brooke Fraser, CCLI#4785835

Every Knee Will Bow Down, Aaron Keyes and Paul Oakley, CCLI#6011387

He Knows, Jeremy Camp and Seth Mosley, CCLI#7029590

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Thank you for worshiping with us today! If you wish to share this worship experience with a neighbor, the service is broadcast live, and the sermon is available on our website within a week.

Week at a Glance

Sunday, April 14

4:00 pm First Kids Music Parlor
5:30-7:00 pm College/Young Adult Youth Suite

Monday, April 15

9-10:30 am Senior Yoga Parlor 1-3:00 pm Staff Meeting Library

Tuesday, April 16

11:45 am – 2 pm Crafty Critters E2

Wednesday, April 17

5:30 pm Psalm Players Rehearsal

6-7:15 pm The Calling

6:00 pm Praise Band Rehearsal

6:30 pm Chancel Bells Rehearsal

7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sanctuary

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Friday, April 19

6:00 pm Good Friday Service Fellowship Hall

Saturday, April 20

10:00 am Easter Egg Hunt Fellowship Hall

Announcements

-Holy Week -

Good Friday - April 19

Friday: the day the world turned dark and all hope was lost - the day of death. On Good Friday, we will gather at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall to join the lament of those who follow Christ. It is a final moment of preparation prior to the joy of Easter.

Easter Egg Hunt – April 20

The Easter Egg Hunt will take place for toddlers up to 5th graders at First Baptist Church on Saturday, April 20 at 10:00 am. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall and disperse from there. There will be games, crafts, treats, and please bring your own baskets for the Egg Hunt!

Easter Sunday- April 21

Easter morning begins with a celebration of the Resurrection at the 9:15 am Awakening Contemporary Worship Service in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to enjoy pastries and beverages from 10:15 am to 11:15 am. Traditional Worship will celebrate the Risen Christ at 11:15 am in the Sanctuary.

ALL IN Visioning Team Presentation - April 28

The Visioning Team is excited to announce that on Sunday, April 28 at 10:15 am in the Fellowship Hall, during the Small Group hour, we will report on the outcomes of the visioning process, hold a discussion about the action items that relate to each focus statement, and provide an opportunity for you to give us feedback.

Youth Envelope Challenge - April 2019

The Envelope Challenge is a way to help ensure that every student who wants to go to events like youth camp, mission experiences, Fall and Spring events, and other ministry outings has the resources available to them to participate. Envelopes ranging from \$1 to \$100 are placed on the bulletin board in the Children's Building hallway. All the money raised by this challenge will go directly to the Youth Scholarship Fund, allowing us the freedom to work with families needing further assistance to make sure no student is left out because of financial constraints. Just choose an envelope (or several) from the board, place the amount of money printed on the outside in the envelope, and drop it in the offering. Your gifts go a long way to making our ministry possible. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

ForColumbia

Sign-ups are open for ForColumbia, the city-wide day of service for churches which takes place on Saturday, April 27. You can register through the church website or at www.forcolumbia.com/volunteer/. Know that First Baptist volunteers are not limited to one of these sites. Currently there are over 65 unique ministry opportunities around the city you could participate in that day. You can find out more about these sites on the ForColumbia webpage. We hope you will make plans to join this city-wide day of service on April 27. **Be sure to sign up by this Sunday, April 14!**

Unidiversity Youth Camp - July 20-27

Our youth are heading back to Unidiversity Camp this summer, July 20-27! Like many of the camps we have been to, Unidiversity offers the opportunity for our students to meet, worship, and grow with other students from churches around the country. Unidiversity offers a good mix of fun, worship, and community that our students look forward to. The cost for camp will be \$250 per camper, with a \$30 discount for additional siblings. As always, further financial assistance is available if needed. Please contact Michael at mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org. \$50 deposits for camp are due by April 28. Two \$100 payments will be due May 26 and June 23.

Models of Atonement

Christus Victor (Victory Model): When humanity sinned, we became captive to evil (such as sin, death or Satan). When Jesus died, it looked like evil won, but with the resurrection Jesus defeated the power of sin and death and evil.

Satisfaction (Payment Model): God's holiness and justice demands that debt of sin be paid. Jesus' death pays the price for human sin.

Moral Influence Model: People are moved by the love of God displayed in Christ's self-giving death. Jesus' life and death is then a catalyst; the power of the Holy Spirit will transform human beings and the world.

Scapegoat Model: Jesus is a victim of human violence and sin. His death on the cross reveals humanity's propensity to violence and overcomes it by submitting to it.

Solidarity Model: The Solidarity model of the atonement says that Jesus came into the world to be united with us; to fully enter the human experience. On the cross, Jesus experienced the depths of human suffering, sin, and bondage to the power of evil. Above all, on the cross, God experienced the self-inflicted estrangement from God that accompanies all these things. This was why Jesus cried out on the cross, "My God, My God why have you forsaken me?" Jesus experienced what we have all felt at one time or another: that God has abandoned us or that there is no God. Jesus' cry was a testament to the authenticity of his solidarity with us in our God-alienated state.

On the cross, Jesus absorbed this alienation and took it into himself. At the same time, while Jesus felt this alienation, God the Father and Jesus the Son, were also UNITED in their love for the world. Therefore, at the point at which they were most deeply separated, they were also united in a deep community of love. As a result, in the cross, the love between Father and Son spans the gulf that separates the godless and godforsaken from God. The Trinitarian being of God includes this gulf within itself and overcomes it.

My Notes



9:15 am Awakening Worship Service

For those who may prefer a more traditional worship experience, First Baptist Church offers Traditional Worship at 11:15 a.m. each Sunday in the Sanctuary.

For Children During Worship:

1st- 5th Graders are encouraged to participate in worship with their family.

Children (Birth-Kindergarten) can be dropped off in the nursery, located next to the sanctuary, prior to worship where they will be cared for by our professional staff.

10:15 Spiritual Formation Hour:

Birth-Age 3 childcare is provided by our professional staff in the nursery, located next to the sanctuary. First Kids Sunday School (3 years old through 5th grade) is on the third floor. Youth Bible Study (grades 6-12) is on the third floor.

Adult small groups which dive into various topics (visitors and guests welcomed):

Discussion Class in the Parlor on the second floor

Faith Forum in the second floor classroom, next to the elevator

Connections Group in the second floor library.

*The all-gender restroom is located in the Child Development Center Hallway outside the Sanctuary.

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