



First Baptist Church  
**GREENWOOD**

March 31, 2024

Mark 16:6 NIV

"You are looking for  
**JESUS THE  
NAZARENE,**  
who was crucified.  
**HE HAS RISEN!  
HE IS NOT HERE."**

# *Welcome to First Baptist Church!*

*We are a warm fellowship of Christian believers.*

*We trust you will be blessed by your visit today. Here you can find wonderful opportunities for worship, fellowship, and Christian growth.*

*Please join us again.*

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**The Worship of God**  
**March 31, 2024**  
**Resurrection Sunday**  
**Morning Worship at Eleven O' Clock**

Meditation: "There is the risen Christ, out in front of us, inviting us, calling us to follow.  
And we hear these words from the Gospel –*He is not here. He is risen. Go and tell.*"  
- Layne Smith

Prelude

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"  
Jean O. Wood Handbell Ensemble, Brass, Timpani and Organ  
James Prather and Charles Torgerson, trumpets  
Brian Doyle and Adam Trahan, trombones  
Noah Skinner, timpani; Robert Wilson, organ  
*EASTER HYMN* arranged by Cynthia Dobrinski (ASCAP)  
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Chiming of the Trinity

Responsive Reading

Layne Smith

Leader: Christ is risen!

**People: Alleluia!**

Leader: Christ is risen!

**People: Alleluia!**

Leader: Christ is risen indeed!

**People: Alleluia! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Call to Worship

“Christ Is Arisen”  
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Chancel Choir

Christ is arisen! Hallelujah!

\*Processional Hymn 194

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

EASTER HYMN

Lighting of the Gospel Candles

James White

Invocation and Welcome

David Jennings

Scripture Thoughts for Children (Ages 3K - 5th Grade)

David Jennings

*(Following Scripture Thoughts, children ages 3K through K5 will meet a Children's Church worker at the back of the Sanctuary to go to Children's Church.)*

New Testament Reading Acts 10:34-43

MaryLila Sims

(Pew Bible, NT, page 113)

Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

\*Offertory Hymn 198

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

LLANFAIR

Offertory Prayer

Tom Gordon

Offertory Meditation

Robert Wilson

\*Doxology

OLD 100TH

The Old Hundredth Psalm Tune, arranged by Ralph Vaughan Williams

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Celebratory ♩ = 66

arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams

*Trumpet*

Praise

5  
God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise God, all crea-tures here be - low; Praise

11  
God, a - bove ye heav'n - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly

16  
*Trumpet*  
Ghost. \_\_\_\_\_

19  
*Largamente*  
*rit.*  
A - men. \_\_\_\_\_

Prayers of the People

David Jennings

When the leader says: Lord, in Your mercy

**The congregation responds: Hear our prayer.**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

Gospel Reading Mark 16:1-8

Layne Smith

(Pew Bible, NT, page 47)

Reader: This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God**

Anthem

“Christus Resurrexit”

Chancel Choir

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Christus resurrexit, alleluia. Christus resurrexit, alleluia.  
Christ is risen on this day. Now the stone is rolled away.  
Allelu, Allelu, Allelu, Alleluia!

Christus resurrexit, alleluia. Christus resurrexit, alleluia.  
Death is conquered, we are free. Christ has won the victory.  
Allelu, Allelu, Allelu, Alleluia!

For this is the day of rejoicing. We praise Him as life is restored.  
Give thanks to our God for His blessings, and praise our living Lord.

Christus resurrexit, alleluia. Christus resurrexit, alleluia.  
He who died on Calvary, born to set His people free.  
Allelu, Allelu, Allelu, Alleluia!

Darkness came to all the earth, no sun had shown for days.  
His body placed in a lowly tomb, the third day to be raised.  
But, as night turned to day, the stone was rolled away.

Christus resurrexit, alleluia. Christus resurrexit, alleluia.  
He who died on Calvary, born to set His people free.  
Allelu, Allelu, Allelu, Alleluia!  
For Christ is risen today!

Sermon

“What’s the Good News?”

Layne Smith

\*Hymn of Commitment 207

“Low in the Grave He Lay”

CHRIST AROSE

Pastoral Blessing

Layne Smith

Choral Response

“Banners of Triumph”

Chancel Choir

Words by Stephen P. Starke, French folk melody, harmonized Shelby Trapp

Tune: BESANÇON, arranged by Keith Jameson

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Banners of triumph, be unfurled! Trumpets, sound throughout the world!  
Crying and sighs, give way to singing: life from death, our Lord is bringing!  
Let there begin the jubilee - Christ has gained the victory!

Postlude

Robert Wilson, organ

*\*Those who are able, please stand.*

## **Today's lilies are given to the glory of God and**

In memory of Carlton Allen by Donna Allen;

In memory of Conolly Burgess by Jo Stevenson and family;

In memory of Paul and Evelyn Burgess by Jo Stevenson and family;

In memory of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. (Alice) Callison by their family;

In honor of Barbara Chandler and memory of Tom Chandler by the Stoddard family;

In honor of David Corbitt, director of Sounds of Grace by Anne Hancock;

In memory of Johnson, Alice, and Johnson Barry Craig by Anne Craig and Johnson Wooten;

In memory of Gene and Gwen Hancock by the Stoddard family;

In memory of Bill Hancock by his sister, Anne Hancock

In memory of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hancock, Sr. by their daughter, Anne Hancock;

In memory of Nita and Jim Huffman by Bill and Nancy Thomason;

In memory of Stanley and Gertrude Kelley by Layne and Dianne Kelley Smith;

In memory of Barbara Parham by Jack Parham;

In memory of Craig Holbrook Parham by Jack Parham;

In honor of Dr. Jack Parham and in memory of Mrs. Barbara Parham by the Stoddard family;

In memory of Cory Powers by Bill and Nancy Thomason;

In honor of Kenneth and Carol Richard by Keith Jameson;

In memory of Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Roquemore by Gamble and Nancy Roquemore;

In memory of C. Graham Shaw, Jr. by June Shaw;

In memory of Curtis G. Shaw, Sr. by June Shaw;

In honor of the First Baptist Church Staff by Donna Allen;

In honor of Harry Stephens by the Mauldin Sunday School Class;

In memory of Bob Stevenson by Jo Stevenson and family;



In honor of Emma Stevenson by “Amma;”

In memory of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Stevenson, Sr. by Jo Stevenson and family;

In honor of Kate Stevenson by “Amma;”

In honor of Jo Stevenson by the Mauldin Sunday School Class;

In honor of Jo Stevenson by Tara Stoddard;

In honor of Sara Stevenson by “Amma;”

In honor of Dr. Shelton Stewart and in memory of Mrs. Barbara Stewart by Thomas and Carolyn Stoddard;

In memory of Leland and Mary Stoddard by the Stoddard family;

In memory of Aline and C. Y. Thomason, Sr. by Bill and Nancy Thomason;

In memory of Matthew James Newton Tivy by Keith Jameson;

In memory of Norman Woodward by Karen Woodward.

### **First Baptist Church Greenwood Ministry Plan**

In memory of Carlton Allen by the First Baptist Church Staff;

In honor of Donna Allen by the First Baptist Church Staff;

In memory of Angela Wyndham Powers by her family;

In memory of Charles Rush, Faye Rush, and Lesa Rush by Tracie and Jeff Rush;

In memory of Albert and Ruthie Smith by Layne and Dianne Smith;

In honor of Layne and Dianne Smith by the First Baptist Church staff;

In memory of Norman Woodward by Karen Woodward.

### **CBFSC Beverly Greer Offering for State Missions**

In memory of Grady and Martha Strom by the Burch grandchildren;

In memory of Erin Smith by the Burch cousins;

In honor of First Baptist Church Staff by Lewis and Betty Walker.

## OPPORTUNITIES

### Sunday, March 31—Resurrection Sunday

10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship

### Monday April 1—Noon, Deadline for Wednesday, April 3 Family Night Meal Church Office Closed

10:30 am Alma Johnson Circle (meet at the labyrinth)

6:30 pm Rosemary Benjamin Circle at the home of Brenda Rickborn

### Tuesday, April 2

10:00 am Dement-Waldrep Circle

10:30 am *Sounds of Grace*

11:45 am Never Grow Old Club (NGO)

### Wednesday, April 3

8:30 am Contemplative Wednesday

5:00 pm Spiritual Formation Committee

Family Night Meal

**Adult menu:** shepherd's pie, corn on the cob, green beans, corn bread muffins, salad, pasta salad, apple cobbler, ice cream

**Children's menu:** hot dogs, potato tots

**(Menu is subject to change depending on food availability.)**

5:15 pm Children's Music activities and Choirs will NOT meet

6:00 pm Children's Family Picnic and Playground

6:30 pm Adults meet in Fellowship Hall for presentation on Global Missions  
by Lane Riley  
Chancel Choir

### Thursday, April 4

10:00 am Heritage Committee

Noon Peggy Hollingsworth Circle

### Saturday, April 6

3:00 pm-5:00 pm Drop-in reception to meet Senior Pastor candidate and their family

### Sunday, April 7

10:00 am Preschool, Children, and Youth Sunday School

Adults meet in Sanctuary to hear Senior Pastor candidate's testimony

11:00 am Worship—sermon by Senior Pastor candidate

Noon Called Business Meeting to vote on calling Senior Pastor candidate

6:00 pm Youth *Sunday Night Live* at the home of Tommy and Tara Stoddard

# CHURCH NEWS

## **Called Business Meeting on Sunday April 7**

A **Called Business Meeting**, for the purpose of extending a call to the new Senior Pastor, will take place after the morning worship service on **Sunday, April 7**. Paper ballots will be used for the business session. Absentee voting will not be available for the calling of a new Senior Pastor. The new senior pastor candidate comes as a unanimous recommendation from the Senior Pastor Search Committee and the Diaconate.

The Senior Pastor Search Committee would like to extend an invitation to the First Baptist Church family to a **drop-in reception on Saturday, April 6**, to meet the Senior Pastor candidate and their family. The drop-in reception will be held in the **Fellowship Hall from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm**.

The Senior Pastor candidate will give their **testimony in the Sanctuary during the 10:00 am Sunday School hour on Sunday, April 7**. Following the Sunday School hour, the **candidate will preach during the 11:00 am worship service which will not be live-streamed**.

Due to confidentiality between the Senior Pastor Search Committee and the candidate, specific details concerning the candidate will not be made public until the reception on April 6. It is imperative that confidentiality be maintained until a call is extended to the candidate and they have had an opportunity to notify their current congregation. Therefore, please refrain from sharing ANY information about the candidate (name, picture, etc.) by email and/or social media.

## **Calling All Children**

**This morning**, children will receive “Alleluia Bells” to ring on the chorus of the great Easter Hymn, “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today.” (Every time the word “Alleluia” is sung the children will ring their bells.) Someone will be in the Narthex at 10:45 am to distribute bells.

## **April Building Blocks: “All About Missions”**

The following is a list of Mission Partners who will present during the April “Missions” Building Block.

- April 7     CBFSC Missions and Mission Partners - Lane Riley
- April 10   Greater Greenwood United Ministry - Rosemary Bell
- April 17   Greenwood Food Bank and Soup Kitchen - Andrea White
- April 24   Meals on Wheels - Tracey Bedenbaugh

## **“NGO” Will Jazz and Jam**

The NGO Fellowship will jazz and jam with Isa and Sam on Tuesday, April 2, at 11:45 am in the Fellowship Hall. Isamarie Cardona (vocal) and Sam Walburn (piano) are two popular performers featured in Lander University's Jazz Band. Now our FBC seniors will have the unique opportunity to jazz and jam with them.

## **Volunteer Help**

A volunteer is needed for Children's Church (3K-5K) on the first Sunday in April, June, August, October, and December. Please contact Anna Burch (aeburchfbc@gmail.com) to volunteer.

## **Children's Family Activities on Wednesday, April 3**

During District 50's Spring Break, April 3, Wednesday Night will look different. On April 3, children and their families are invited to playground and picnic night from 6:00 pm-7:30 pm. Families are welcome to eat upstairs or get a meal to go and eat it as a picnic or bring your own. **There will be no childcare for this night.**

## **Children's Family Night Activity Rescheduled**

The Children's Family Activity Night has been rescheduled to Sunday, April 14. It will still be 5:00 pm-7:00 pm with pizza supper, cookie decorating, bracelets and necklaces, and a homebound craft. **RSVPs are due Thursday, April 11.**

## **Children's Playground Night**

The next Playground Night is Friday, April 26, from 5:30 pm-7:30 pm. This a parent drop off event and we will serve supper. This will be for 1K-5th grade. **Please RSVP by Thursday, April 25.**

### **Looking ahead:**

- Vacation Bible School- June 23-26
- Camp Prism- July 16-19 (completed 3rd-5th graders)

## **Youth *Sunday Night Live***

The next Youth *Sunday Night Live* is April 7, 6:00 pm-8:00 pm at the home of Tommy and Tara Stoddard (123 Parkwood Rd.).

## **Stokes Memorial Scholarship for High School Seniors**

Please be reminded that applications for the Stokes Memorial Scholarship Award are **due the first of May**. Watch the Sunday bulletin and e-news for additional information regarding the scholarship.

## Calling All Graduates

The First Baptist Church family wants to honor any student (high school, technical school, college, or graduate school) associated with First Baptist who graduated in the Fall of 2023 or who will graduate in the Spring or Summer of 2024. These students will be recognized during worship on May 19. Graduate information may be submitted online at [www.fbc.org/engage](http://www.fbc.org/engage) or brought to the church office. **The church office needs the information below no later than May 10.**

### Graduate Information Needed:

- Graduate's Name
- School
- Date of Graduation (Month/Year)
- Degree, if applicable
- Future Plans
- A Recent Photo

## Ministry Plan—February Financials:

February Receipts:	\$ 84,729.40
February Expenses:	\$ 70,141.96
February Surplus:	\$ 14,587.44
Revenue vs Expense YTD	(\$ 16,988.87)

## Ministry Plan Update (as of March 24):

2024 Year-to-Date Required:	\$228,094.44
2024 Year-to-Date Received:	\$178,443.71
2024 Deficit:	\$ 49,650.73

# NOTES



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