



First Baptist Church  
**GREENWOOD**

April 6, 2025



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**The Worship of God**  
**April 6, 2025**  
**Fifth Sunday in Lent**  
**Morning Worship at Eleven O' Clock**

Meditation: “Dear God, do not let me hold back in love. Do not let me fear looking foolish over being loving. Do not let me hold words in, keeping them to myself, when they are meant to be said. Do not let me keep love to myself in this aching world. Amen.” —Rev. Sarah A. Speed

Prelude	“Organ Sonata No. 2,” <i>II. Ruhig Bewegt</i> Music by Paul Hindemith	Will Cleveland
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Lighting of the Gospel Candles Elsie Baggett

# Chiming of the Trinity

Call to Worship Cooper Ann White

Leader: May we find courage here —

**People: courage to follow our call, courage to live out our faith.**

Leader: May we find hope here —

**People: hope for a better world, hope that refuses to let us go.**

Leader: May we find truth here —

**People: truth that lives in sacred community, truth that lives in ancient stories.**

Leader: May we find all that we seek.

**People: And in our seeking, may we know God. Amen.**

*Opening Hymn 94	“Tell Out, My Soul”	WOODLANDS
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\*Those who are able, please stand.

Invocation and Welcome

Keith Jameson

Scripture Thoughts for Children (Age 3K-5th grade)

John Uldrick

*(After 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.)*

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21

Kelly Rhodes

(Pew Bible, OT, page 632)

Reader: The Word of God for the people of God.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

\*Offertory Hymn 380

"Lord, for the Years"

LORD OF THE YEARS

Verse 1: Chancel Choir

Verses 2-5: Congregation

Offertory Prayer

Hillary Craigio

Offertory Meditation

"Choral Dorien"

Will Cleveland

Music by Jehan Alain

\*Doxology

Rob Passow, 2017

WONDROUS LOVE

*Southern Harmony, c. 1843*

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All praise to God a - bove, who cre - a - ted the world. Praise to the one who

made all things good. All praise to Je - sus Christ, who gave for us his

life. All praise the Ho - ly Spir - it, who calls us to love. All

praise the Ho - ly Three - in - one.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

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.**

New Testament Reading: John 12:1-8

Kelly McWhorter

(Pew Bible, NT, page 92)

Reader: The Word of God for the people of God.  
**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

“At the Cry of the First Bird”

Chancel Choir

Text Traditional Irish, Music by David Peninger

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At the cry of the first bird, they began to crucify Thee.  
It was not right. It was not right ever to cease lamenting.  
At the cry of the first bird, they began to crucify Thee.  
It was like the parting of day from night.  
Ah! Though sore, the suffering put upon the body of Mary's son,  
Sorer to Him was the grief, the grief that was upon her for His sake.  
At the cry of the first bird, they began to crucify Thee.

Sermon

“Full to the Brim - Brazen Acts of Beauty”

John Uldrick

\*Hymn of Commitment 159

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

CRUSADER'S HYMN

Benediction

John Uldrick

**Congregational Response: And also with you.**

Choral Response

“A Prophet-Woman Broke a Jar”

Chancel Choir

Words by Brian Wren, Music by Robert Lowry

Tune: HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

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A prophet-woman broke a jar, by Love’s divine appointing.  
With rare perfume she filled the room, presiding and anointing.  
A prophet-woman broke a jar, the sneers of scorn defying.  
With rare perfume she filled the room, preparing Christ for dying.

The Spirit knows; the Spirit calls, by Love’s divine ordaining,  
The friends we need to serve and lead, their powers and gifts unchaining.  
The Spirit knows; the Spirit calls, from women, men, and children,  
The friends we need to serve and lead. Rejoice and make them welcome. Amen.

Postlude

“Suite Du Deuxième Ton”

Will Cleveland

*VII. Caprice sur les grands jeux*

Music by Louis-Nicolas Clérambault

**Community Lenten Pilgrimage**

**April 9**—First Presbyterian Church

**April 16**—Morris Chapel

**Some reminders:**

First Lunch at noon—Service at 12:30 pm—Second Lunch at 1:00 pm  
The cost for lunch is \$2.00.

Offering will be taken and given to Greater Greenwood United Ministry.

**Building Blocks**

**Parables and Passion: Jesus’ Stories for the Days of Lent**

Join John Uldrick April 9 and 23 as he uses many of the parables to guide our journey through Lent and our discussions on Wednesday nights. The group will meet in the chapel.

**Ministry Plan Update (as of March 30)**

Year-to-Date Required: \$ 248,876.42

Year-to-Date Received: \$ 149,326.21

# OPPORTUNITIES

## Sunday, April 6

- 8:30 am Property Committee Meeting
- 9:00 am Children's Committee
- 9:50 am Worship Preparation Meeting
- 10:00 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship
- 5:00 pm Youth *Sunday Night Live* (Hosted by the Martins, 115 Patridge Rd.)

## Monday, April 7

- 10:30 am Alma Johnson Circle
- 6:30 pm Rosemary Benjamin Circle

## Tuesday, April 8

- 12:00 pm *Young at Heart*
- 1:30 pm *Sounds of Grace* Senior Adult Choir
- 5:30 pm *Cultivating Generous Congregations* Cohort

## Wednesday, April 9—Noon: Deadline April 9 meal reservations

- 12:00 pm First seating for Community Lenten Lunch—First Presbyterian Church
- 12:30 pm Community Lenten Service—First Presbyterian Church
- 1:00 pm Second seating for Community Lenten Lunch—First Presbyterian Church
- 5:30 pm *Bright Beginnings* Preschool Music Activities, *Music Makers* Children's Choir, *Young Musicians* Children's Choir
- 5:30 pm Family Night Meal— Adults and children: spaghetti, corn on the cob, garlic bread, salad, cookies, brownies, ice cream
- 6:30 pm Childcare, CIAs, Holy Ground (youth), Building Blocks (adults), Chancel Choir

## Thursday, April 10

- 10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 4:00 pm FBC Foundation Board Meeting via Zoom

## Saturday, April 12

- 11:30 am Ladies Game Day

## Sunday, April 13—Palm Sunday

- 9:45 am Diaconate Executive Committee
- 9:50 am Worship Preparation Meeting
- 10:00 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship
- 4:50 pm *Voices of Grace* Youth Choir





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