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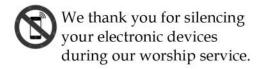
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Front Cover Art

The front cover art is a photograph of "a stained-glass window in Southwark Cathedral, 20th century: *Mourning Tabitha* (Art in the Christian Tradition ID: 56889)/ the raising of Tabitha. (According to Acts 9:36–42 Saint Peter raised Tabitha back to life; the name is translated Dorkas in Greek, which means Gazelle.)"



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The Worship of God May 11, 2025 Fourth Sunday of Easter Morning Worship at Eleven O' Clock

Meditation: "Miracles are signs, and like all signs, they are never about themselves; they're about whatever they are pointing toward. Miracles point to something beyond themselves. But to what? To God himself. That's the point of miracles - to point us beyond our world to another world." — Eric Metaxas

Prelude	"Flute Sonata No.1 in F Major," Op. 2	Benedetto Marcello
I. Adagio, II. Allegro		
	Rhonda McGinnis, Flute; Will Cleveland, Organ	1

Chiming of the Trinity

Lighting of the Gospel Candles

Banks Rhodes

Call to Worship "O Church of God, Reach Up, Reach Out!" Chancel Choir Words by Roy E. Johnson, Music by Eugene Butler Copyright 1968 Choristers Guild All Rights Reserved. One License.Net #A-710156

O Church of God, this is your hour, This is the time to show your pow'r, Rise up, O Church begin anew, The Lord has made this day for you! O Church of God, reach up, reach out!

*Hymn of Celebration 339	"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"	CORONATION
Invocation and Welcome		Keith Jameson
Scripture Thoughts for Children (Age 3K-5th grade)David Jennings(After Scripture Thoughts, children ages 3K through K5 will meet aChildren's Church worker at the back of the Sanctuary to go to Children's Church.)		

* Those who are able, please stand.

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 23

(Pew Bible, OT, page 464)

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

*Offertory Hymn 545	"In the Bulb"	PROMISE
Offertory Prayer		Russell Martin
Offertory	"Concerto in F Minor," BWV 1056	Johann Sebastian Bach

II. Largo Rhonda McGinnis, Flute; Will Cleveland, Organ

*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia, Alleluia. Praise God, above ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

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: Acts 9:36-43

(Pew Bible, NT, page 112)

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

Anna Burch

Anne Craig

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Jordan Hewitt

Anthem	"For All the Faithful Women" Rhonda McGinnis, flute; Jean O. Wood Handbell Ensem	Chancel Choir ble	
	Words by Herman G. Stuempfle and Keith Jameson (verse 3), Finnish Folk Melody, newly arranged by Keith Jameson; Tune KUORTANE or NYLAND Copyright 1927 <i>Revised Church Hymnary</i> , Oxford University Press <i>All Rights Reserved. One License.Net #A-710156</i>		
	For all the faithful women who served in days of old, To you shall thanks be given, to all, their story told. They served with strength and gladness in tasks your wisdom To you their lives bore witness, proclaimed your pow'r to save		
	We praise your name for Miriam, who sang triumphantly While Pharaoh's vaunted army lay drowned beneath the sea. As Israel marched to freedom, her chains of bondage gone, So may we reach the kingdom your mighty arm has won.		
	In Joppa lived a woman, a seamstress meek and good, Named Tabitha, a disciple, she did as best she could. And when she fell to death's dark sleep, the widows were distraught, But Peter came and raised her to life as Christ had taught.		
	All praise to God the Father! All praise to Christ the Son! All praise to God the Spirit, who binds the church as one! With saints who went before us, with saints who witness still, We sing glad Alleluias and strive to do your will. Alleluia!		
Sermon	"Rumors of the Resurrection: Miracles Abound"	John Uldrick	
*Hymn	of Commitment 405 "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"	BRADBURY	
Benedic		John Uldrick	
Congregational Response: And also with you.			
Choral F	Response ""The Bell Cadence' Amen" Music by T.S. Tearne Copyright 1956 The Baptist Hymnal All Rights Reserved. One License.Net #A-710156	Chancel Choir	
Postlude	"Flute Sonata No.1 in F Major," <i>Op. 2</i> Be IV. Allegro Rhonda McGinnis, Flute; Will Cleveland, Organ	nedetto Marcello	

The Sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Nick and Virginia Anagnost by their family.

Ministry Plan Update (as of April 13)

Year-to-Date Required:	\$ 344,598.12
Year-to-Date Received:	\$ 228,817.83

OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, May 11—Mother's Day

- 9:40 am Diaconate Executive Committee
- 9:50 am Worship Preparation Meeting
- 10:00 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship

Monday, May 12

6:00 pm Laucis-Parham Circle

Tuesday, May 13

12:00 pm Young at Heart

Wednesday, May 14

- 5:30 pm VBS Supper for Children and Volunteers
- 6:00 pm Vacation Bible School, Chancel Choir

Sunday, May 18

- 8:00 am Diaconate Meeting
- 9:00 am Church-wide Breakfast
- 9:30 am Third Congregational Conversation
- 9:30 am Sunday School for children and youth
- 11:00 am Worship—Graduate Recognition and Youth Sunday
- 12:15 pm Reception for Anna Burch
- 4:00 pm Personnel Committee Meeting

Monday, May 19

4:30 pm FBC Foundation Meeting

Wednesday, May 21

5:30 pm VBS Supper for Children and Volunteers

MAY 18 - WORSHIP

GRADUATE RECOGNITION AND YOUTH SUNDAY

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF OUR GRADUATES!

All graduates wishing to be recognized, please alert the church office on or before May 9th.





Sunday, May 18th 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hall

Third Congregational Conversation

9:00 AM - BREAKFAST IN FELLOWSHIP HALL 9:30 AM - SESSION BEGINS 11:00 AM - WORSHIP BEGINS

BE A PART OF THE FINAL PLANNING CONVERSATION FOR A BRIGHT AND FULL FUTURE!



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	□ I am a friend or family of a member at FBC.
	I am looking for a church home.
Phone	□ I am interested in learning more about FBC.
Email Address	I am on vacation or traveling.