



First Baptist Church GREENWOOD

April 7, 2024

“There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold and laid it at the apostles’ feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.”

Acts 4:34-35



“Christian Deeds of Mercy”

(Matthew 25:35-36)

Pieter Aertsen

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National Museum in Warsaw

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The Worship of God
April 7, 2024
Second Sunday of Easter
Senior Pastor Candidate Preaching
Morning Worship at Eleven O' Clock

Meditation: As Easter people, we experience new life in Christ. We join together in that new life in a community we call the Church. God has chosen to use our voices, our hands, our feet, and our possessions to bring the Good News of Easter to the Good Friday world we live in.

Prelude

Robert Wilson

Lighting of the Gospel Candles

Lucy Sims

Chiming of the Trinity

Call to Worship

“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

Chancel Choir

Words and Music by Ken Medema, TUNE: CHILDREN PRAYING

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Lord, listen to Your children praying, Lord, send Your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to Your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.

*Opening Hymn 214

“The Day of Resurrection”

LANCASHIRE

Invocation and Welcome

Anna Burch

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

Anna Burch

(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.)

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 133:1-3

Cooper Ann White

(Pew Bible, OT, page 538)

Reader: Word of God for the people of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

*Offertory Hymn 267

“Blessed Be the Tie”

DENNIS

Offertory Prayer

Russell Martin

Offertory Meditation

Robert Wilson

*Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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, Alleluia!

The white rose on the Communion table is in memory of James “Jimmy” Burns, III.

Gentle Rose of Beauty

The "Rose" Song

Keith Jameson

Sweetly ♩ = 70

Piano

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Gen - tle rose of beau - ty,
Gen - tle soul of beau - ty,

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Gen - tle rose of sub - tle per - fumed air. bloom of God's cre - a - tion,
Gen - tle soul of faith and dig - ni - ty. Soul of God's cre - a - tion,

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pet - als kissed by dew, re - mind - ing all God cares for me and you, Gen - tle rose of
safe - ly in Your hand, Let them rest in Thy c - ter - nal land. Gen - tle soul of

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hea - ven, here to give us joy and won - der, beau - ty, grace, and love.
hea - ven, Thank God for your life well - lived, your faith, and joy, and love.

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 4:32-35
(Pew Bible, NT, page 106)

John Uldrick

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

Anthem

“O God of Challenge and of Change”
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Chancel Choir

O God of challenge and of change, We walk a path made up of dreams.
We search the heavens, we search the depths, A universe of vast extremes.
‘Midst all of this, our lives seem so small, Yet you have promised us, O Lord,
Not height, nor depth, nor anything at all can separate us from your Word.
That Word is love, that Word is peace, that Word goes with us ev’rywhere;
In ev’ry choice, in ev’ry change, we are forever in your care.

Sermon

“A New Life Together”

John Uldrick

*Hymn of Commitment 355 “We Praise Thee, O God”

REVIVE US AGAIN

CALLED BUSINESS MEETING

Benediction

John Uldrick

Choral Response

“I Am with You Always”
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Chancel Choir

I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Postlude

Robert Wilson

**Those who are able, please stand.*

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given by Ken and Carol Richard to the glory of God and in memory of Colleen DeLoach, Ken Richard's sister, and Soon Ja Park, Myoung McDowell's mother.

OPPORTUNITIES

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

Monday April 8—**Noon, Deadline for Wednesday, April 10 Family Night Meal**

- 6:00 pm Laucis-Parham Circle

Tuesday, April 9

- 10:30 am *Sounds of Grace*
- Noon *Young at Heart* at Country Club

Wednesday, April 10

- 4:30 pm Stewardship Committee
- 5:00 pm Family Night Meal
Adult menu: chicken alfredo, steamed vegetables, rolls, salad, apple and grape salad, pies, banana pudding
Children's menu: chicken nuggets, chips, fruit
(Menu is subject to change depending on food availability.)
- 5:15 pm Children's Music activities and Choirs
- 6:30 pm CIAs and Infant and Toddler Childcare, Holy Ground (youth),
Adults meet in Fellowship Hall for presentation on Greater Greenwood
United Ministry by Rosemary Bell
Chancel Choir

Thursday, April 11

- 10:00 am Betty Schopp Prayer Shawl Ministry

Sunday, April 14

- 9:30 am Diaconate Executive Committee
- 10:00 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship
- 2:00 pm *Voices of Grace* Youth Choir
- 5:00 pm Youth Committee

CHURCH NEWS

Wednesday Meal Reservations

If you are on the permanent Wednesday Meal reservation list, please remember to cancel your meal reservations if you are unable to be attend. The Wednesday Night Crew prepares food for the number of reservations. Each reservation not cancelled costs the church money. Thank you for your help to cancel unneeded reservations.

April Building Blocks: “All About Missions”

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

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

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 Night Activity Rescheduled

The Children’s Committee and Anna realized they moved the Family Night Activity to Master’s Sunday. Therefore, children and their families will have the rescheduled family activity night a week later, on April 21, in the Fellowship Hall from 5:00 pm-7:00 pm. The evening will begin with a pizza supper, and will include cookie decorating, older children making bracelets, younger children making fruit loop necklaces, and a craft that will be given to homebound church members. **Please RSVP by Thursday, April 18 with the number of cheese, pepperoni, and gluten free slices your family will need.**

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 tonight, 6:00 pm-8:00 pm at the home of Tommy and Tara Stoddard (123 Parkwood Rd.).

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 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 Update (as of March 31):

2024 Year-to-Date Required: \$247,102.31

2024 Year-to-Date Received: \$191,280.71

2024 Deficit: \$ 55,821.60

NOTES



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