

WELCOME TO FIRST BAPTIST

We are so glad you decided to worship with us today. Please take a moment to fill out the Visitor's Card in the pew rack in front of you. You can place these in the offering plate during the offertory. Consider lingering after worship so that our members might have a chance to greet you. Our deacons will be in the Welcome Center after worship and would love to meet you.

CHILDREN AND WORSHIP

The presence of children in worship is a gift to the Church. They are valuable members of our faith family, and we welcome them into this house of worship. Our nursery is open during worship for infants and toddlers. The nursery is located out the doors to the left of the pulpit and down the hall to the north. Our nursery workers will be happy to assist you. Extended Care is for children ages 3-4 and for 5-year-olds who have not entered kindergarten. These children will sit as a group with our Extended Care leaders on the first pew in the right (south) section. All children through 5th grade are invited to the front of the Sanctuary to participate in our Children's Sermon. Our preschoolers will leave for Extended Care after this.

A WORD ABOUT FBC

First Baptist Memphis is a Midtown congregation that seeks to follow Christ by practicing hospitality, community, dialogue, and service.

- We value diversity in our membership and believe it enriches our journey and ministry.
- We strive to be a family of faith where all can belong.
- We value the voice of every child of God, and strive to hear the voice of God in one another.
- What we do inside our walls prepares us to share God's love across the street and around the world.

The Radio Bible Class (10:30 am) and this service (11 am) are broadcast live on radio stations ESPN 680 AM, and ESPN 92.9 FM. Sermons are available online at www.fbcmemphis.org

Announcements

S. Africa Team Bulletin Board

We are so appreciative of all the support we have received for our upcoming trip. There are still opportunities available to provide support for the S. Africa Mission team. Envelopes are available on the bulletin board in the Welcome Center. Please take one and return to the church office or the offering plate on Sunday.

Stained Glass Windows Report, Wed., May 15, 6 pm, FH

On May 15 at 6 pm in Fellowship Hall we will have a powerpoint presentation regarding our options for repairing and preserving the stained glass windows in the Sanctuary. Hord Architects will make the presentation. This meeting is open to anyone in the congregation who wants to learn more about the process and potential costs.

Meet Rev. Laura Stephens-Reed

We are excited to have our Transition Facilitator visit us for the first time on Sunday June 2! Please make every effort to be present on this Sunday. The details of this particular Sunday will be shared in the coming days.

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This Week at First Baptist

Sunday, May 12

- 9:30 a.m. Mother's Day Tea (Day School Lobby)
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

Monday, May 13

- 7:30 a.m. FBDS Program
- 11:00 a.m. Sr. Adult Lunch (The Women's Exchange)

Tuesday, May 14

- 7:30 a.m. FBDS Program

Wednesday, May 15

- 7:30 a.m. FBDS Program
- 5:00 p.m. Fellowship Supper, Caritas
- 6:00 p.m. Stained Glass Window Update (FH)
- 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 16

- 7:30 a.m. FBDS Program
- 10:30 a.m. Adult Game Day, Parlor

Friday, May 17

- 7:30 a.m. FBDS Program

Volunteers

Extended Care

Next Sunday, May 19

Threes/Fours: Doug Blankenship,
Rebecca Courtney

Floater: Glenna Ward

Welcome Desk at Worship

May 12: Greer Richardson

Receptionists (8:30 am - 12:30 pm)

Mon, May 13: Trudy Hatton

Tues, May 14: Betty Wilson

Wed, May 15: Valerie Brenner

Thurs, May 16: Bill Wilson

FBC in Prayer

Current Concerns

Nancy Burch
Vinson Cobb
Margot Weslee Cronk
Linda Haywood
Anson Purdy
Jean Rose Raney
Jim Rogers



The Three Marys, Henry Ossawa

Fourth Sunday in Eastertide

May 12, 2019

Let us praise faithful women, random representatives of all women whose faithfulness mirrors the God who is faithful to us.

Mary of Magdala, follower of Jesus, first witness to the Resurrection, leader of the early Church.

Hail, faithful woman!

All those "many others," women who followed Jesus, whom scripture does not name:

Hail, faithful woman!

Hail, faithful woman!

—Miriam Therese Winter



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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Fourth Sunday in Eastertide

PREPARATION

The prelude provides an opportunity to prepare our hearts and minds to worship God by being still and quiet.

Welcome Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde

One: The Lord be with you!

Many: **And also with you!**

Prelude *Regal Dance* Dennis Alexander
Dylan Hatton, *pianist*

ADORATION

Call to Worship Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde

Many: **Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.**

One: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

Many: **For you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.**

One: Let the peoples praise you, O God;

Many: **Let all the peoples praise you!**¹

Invocation Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde

* Hymn of Praise 30 OLD 134TH

Stand Up and Bless the Lord
(Stanzas 1-4)

CONFESSION

* Prayer of Confession Dr. Sarah Weatherspoon

All: ***Merciful God, we confess that, just like Jesus' disciples, we too sometimes lose patience with people who need our help and support. Like the disciples, we find ourselves wishing that they would just go away and leave us in peace. In Your mercy, forgive us. Remind us again of the deep love You showed toward us when we were still in need—a love so deep that it sent You willingly to the cross on our behalf. Show us how to love others as You have loved us. Teach us Your compassion, so***

¹ Based on Psalm 67, from <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/search/label/Proper%2015%20A>

*that we may be Your hands and feet to those in need. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.*²

* Assurance of Pardon

One: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Friends, believe the Good News.

All: ***In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!***

* Congregational Response 30 OLD 134TH

Stand Up and Bless the Lord

***Stand up and bless the Lord; The Lord your God adore;
Stand up and bless His glorious name, Henceforth forever more.***

(As we sing, the children are invited to the front for the Children's Sermon.)

PROCLAMATION

Children's Sermon Holly Hatton

Gospel Reading *Mark 7:24-30* Gabrielle and Natalie Cathey
(page 874 in the pew Bible)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: **Thanks be to God.**

* Prayer of Preparation Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde and Congregation

Almighty God, to You all hearts are open, all desires known, and from You no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You, and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Message Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde

A Mother's Influence

RESPONSE

* Hymn of Prayer 385 ST. PETER

In Christ There Is no East or West

Offertory Prayer Dr. Greer Richardson

² from <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2011/08/prayer-of-confession-matthew-1521-28.html>

Offertory *Grace* Mark Hayes

* Congregational Response 253 *Doxology* OLD 100TH

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

Prayers of the People Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde

The Lord's 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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to Discipleship Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde

* Hymn of Response 285 FALLS CREEK

Wherever He Leads, I'll Go

Graduating Seniors Bible Presentation Holly Hatton

* Benediction Rev. Dr. Randy L. Hyde

* Postlude *March* Edward Elgar
Aaron Foster, *organist*

Today's flowers are given in memory of Carol Henderson, beloved Mother from her daughters Ashley and Laurie.

Today's worship participants are Dylan Hatton, a member of the Children's SS department; Sarah Weatherspoon, a member of the Connect 4 SS class and member of the Youth committee; Gabrielle Cathey, a member of the Youth Group, Natalie Cathey, a member of Connect 4 SS class and a deacon; Greer Richardson, a deacon and a member of the Memorial Prayer Garden Board.

Today's offering bearers are assisted by Janie Hatton.

THE CHRISTIAN YEAR

The resurrection of Jesus is, for Christians, the heart of history; the flashpoint from which everything is reordered. It is the beginning of the new thing that God is up to, defeating death and initiating the new Creation, which God will bring to full fruition in God's own time. The season of Eastertide lasts 50 days, because the importance of the resurrection is too vast to be contained within one day.