



THE WORSHIP OF GOD
Fayetteville First UMC
Third Sunday of Easter
May 1, 2022
11:00 AM

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Allyson Lawrence
Associate Minister

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

Great Is Thy Faithfulness
arr. Dan Miller

Mr. Justin Maxey
Director of Music & Organist

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 30:1-4

Rev. Lawrence and **People**

I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me.

O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.

O LORD, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit.

Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.

***HYMN 674**

See the Morning Sun Ascending

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***INVOCATION**

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Martin
Senior Minister

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Creed of 2022 Confirmation Class

Dr. Martin and **People**

We believe God is the Father and creator of all things in Heaven and on Earth.

We believe Jesus is the Son of God who was born from a virgin.

**We believe Jesus was a carpenter who knew he was the Son of God,
sent to live among the Jewish people to be a teacher and mentor for all,
and to teach all the citizens of the world about our Holy and Merciful God,
wanting everyone to know of God's love.**

We believe sin is bad; sin separates us from God.

We believe God is the forgiver of all sins.

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We believe Jesus died on the cross so we can be forgiven.

We believe that Jesus' resurrection from the dead proves to us that God is the true living God and that Jesus is the true Son of God.

We believe that we can ask God for forgiveness of our sins through prayer.

When we repent and accept salvation through Jesus Christ, it brings us back to God.

**We believe the Holy Spirit is our advocate and is part of the Holy Trinity,
God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

We believe the Holy Spirit helps guide us to the path of God which leads to eternal life in Heaven.

As Christians we believe we should show Christ-like actions as we go through life.

**We believe that our role as Christians is to use the Fruits of the Spirit to help others,
to share the gospel, and to lead more people to Christ.**

***GLORIA PATRI**

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Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Dr. Martin and **People**

Offer one another signs of reconciliation and love:

"The peace of Christ be with you." "And also with you."

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Rev. Lawrence and **People**

**Lord, open our hearts and minds
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that, as the Scriptures are read
and your Word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

FIRST READING

Acts 9:1-6

Rev. Lawrence

Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" ⁵He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Lawrence

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.

*There'll be joy in the morning on that day,
there'll be joy in the morning on that day,
for the daylight will dawn when the darkness is gone,
there'll be joy in the morning on that day.*

*There'll be peace and contentment evermore,
there'll be peace and contentment evermore,
ev'ry heart, ev'ry voice on that day will rejoice,
there'll be peace and contentment evermore.*

*There'll be love and forgiveness ev'rywhere,
there'll be love and forgiveness ev'rywhere,
and the way of the Lord will that day be restored,
there'll be love and forgiveness ev'rywhere.*

***DOXOLOGY**

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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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Dr. Martin

Children are invited to return to their seats.

*No Wonders of Worship today so children may witness the Reception of 2022 Confirmation Class.
The nursery is available for infants through 3 years.*

***GOSPEL READING**

John 21:12-19

Rev. Lawrence

¹²Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. ¹⁴This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

¹⁵When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. ¹⁸Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." ¹⁹(He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

*Reece Blythe
Landon Hoekstra
David Martin
Davis Martin
Aida Lynn Thompson
Jack Travis*

Leaders: David and Lynn Deason, Gil and Tammy Cook, Ben Smith

***HYMN 159**

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

***BENEDICTION**

Dr. Martin

*May the peace of Christ go with you wherever He may send you.
May He guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.
May He bring you home rejoicing at the wonders He has shown you.
May He bring you home rejoicing once again into our arms.*

***POSTLUDE**

Fanfare
Jacques Lemmens

Mr. Maxey

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

Please remember in your prayers:

Van Askew	Martha Hale	Cindy Jennings	Brenda Tierman
Nancy Byers	Don Harp	Sara Johnston	Helen Voyles
Richard Clayton	Chenelle Hernandez	Doris Kerlin	Mabel Wilbanks
Anne Free	Rose Hood	Claudia Rhodes	
Margaret Grainger	Tangie Hubbard	Sue Sheddan	

In Memoriam
Annelle Nipper Burch
April 23, 2022

In Memoriam
Brad Wilkinson
April 27, 2022

Our Christian prayers and sympathy are with

Sam and Susan Burch and family, Robert and Michelle Burch and family, and Courtney Burch upon the death of Sam's mother and Robert and Courtney's grandmother, Annelle Nipper Burch, on April 23.
Mary Beth Jones and family upon the death of her brother, Brad Wilkinson, on April 27.



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