

# ***Sunday Morning Worship***

***April 23, 2023***



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# ***Order of Worship***

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**Celebration of Baptism**

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***Song — On Jordan’s Stormy Banks***

**Benediction**

**Comfort Rooms:** A live video feed of the worship service is *available* in several classrooms around the building (rooms 116, 117/118, 119, 120-125) to help accommodate families with small children or those with various *medical conditions*. *Stop by the Welcome Desk for information and classroom locations.*

## Call to Worship — Romans 6:1-4 (ESV)

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<sup>1</sup> What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup> By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup> Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup> We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

## Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Joachim Neander | translated by Catherine Winkworth

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### Verse 1:

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty  
The King of creation  
O my soul praise Him  
For He is our health and salvation  
Let all who hear  
Now to His temple draw near  
Praise Him in glad adoration

### Verse 2:

Praise to the Lord  
Who o'er all things  
So wondrously reigneth  
Shelters you under His wings  
He so gently sustaineth  
Have you not seen  
How all your longings have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth

### Verse 3:

Praise to the Lord  
Who does prosper your work  
And defend you  
Surely His goodness and mercy  
Here daily attend you  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do  
If with His love He befriend you

### Verse 4:

Praise to the Lord  
O let all that is in me adore Him  
All that has life and breath  
Come now with praises before Him  
Let the amen  
Sound from his people again  
Gladly forever adore him

# A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Martin Luther | Matt Boswell | Frederick Hedge

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## **Verse 1:**

A mighty fortress is our God  
A bulwark never failing  
Our Helper He amid the flood  
Of mortal ills prevailing  
For still our ancient foe  
Doth seek to work us woe  
His craft and pow'r are great  
And armed with cruel hate  
On earth is not His equal

## **Verse 2:**

Did we in our own strength confide  
Our striving would be losing  
Were not the right man on our side  
The man of God's own choosing  
Dost ask who that may be  
Christ Jesus it is He  
The Lord of Hosts, His name  
From age to age the same  
And He must win the battle

## **Chorus:**

A mighty fortress! A rock unfailing  
The King of Glory forever! Amen!  
For endless ages enthroned in praises  
The King of Glory forever! Amen!

## **Verse 3:**

And tho' this world with devils filled  
Should threaten to undo us  
We will not fear for God hath willed  
His truth to triumph through us  
The prince of darkness grim  
We tremble not for him  
His rage we can endure  
For lo his doom is sure  
One little word shall fell him

## **Verse 4:**

That word above all earthly pow'rs  
No thanks to them abideth  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours  
Thro' Him who with us sideth  
Let goods and kindred go  
This mortal life also  
The body they may kill  
God's truth abideth still  
His kingdom is forever

## Scripture Reading — Hebrews 12:1-17 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup> looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

<sup>3</sup> Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted. <sup>4</sup> In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. <sup>5</sup> And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons?

“My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord,  
nor be weary when reproved by him.

<sup>6</sup> For the Lord disciplines the one he loves,  
and chastises every son whom he receives.”

<sup>7</sup> It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? <sup>8</sup> If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. <sup>9</sup> Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? <sup>10</sup> For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. <sup>11</sup> For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

<sup>12</sup> Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, <sup>13</sup> and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed. <sup>14</sup> Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. <sup>15</sup> See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no “root of bitterness” springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled; <sup>16</sup> that no one is sexually immoral or unholy like Esau, who sold his birthright for a single meal. <sup>17</sup> For you know that afterward, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no chance to repent, though he sought it with tears.

# When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Isaac Watts

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## **Verse 1:**

When I survey the wondrous cross  
On which the Prince of glory died  
My richest gain I count but loss  
And pour contempt on all my pride

## **Verse 2:**

Forbid it Lord that I should boast  
Save in the death of Christ my God  
All the vain things that charm me most  
I sacrifice them to His blood

## **Verse 3:**

See, from His head, His hands, His feet  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down  
Did ever such love and sorrow meet  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown

## **Verse 4:**

Were the whole realm of nature mine  
That were an offering far too small  
Love so amazing so divine  
Demands my soul my life my all

## **Sermon Notes**

### **“Obey God, Not Your Appetite” :: Genesis 25:1-34**

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# On Jordan's Stormy Banks

Samuel Stennett | Christopher Miner

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## **Verse 1:**

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand,  
And cast a wishful eye  
To Canaan's fair and happy land,  
Where my possessions lie.

## **Chorus:**

I am bound (I am bound)  
I am bound (I am bound)  
I am bound for the promised land, *[repeat]*

## **Verse 2:**

All o'er those wide extended plains,  
Shines one eternal day;  
There God the Son forever reigns,  
And scatters night away.

## **Verse 3:**

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath  
Can reach that healthful shore;  
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death,  
Are felt and feared no more.

## **Verse 4:**

When shall I reach that happy place,  
And be forever blessed?  
When shall I see my Father's face,  
And in His bosom rest?



# Praying with First Baptist Church

## A Prayer Guide for the week of April 23

### **Prayer of the week:**

One of the ways we learn to pray is by using the examples in Scripture as a springboard and inspiration for our own prayer life. This week, we encourage you to use the praise of the Apostle Paul from 1 Thessalonians 2:13 as a specific way to give thanks to God:

*<sup>13</sup> And we also thank God constantly for this, that when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men but as what it really is, the word of God, which is at work in you believers.*

We recognize our need for God's help in all the areas of our lives. The categories and requests listed below are intentional ways to pray for each other as a church family. For help in knowing how and what to pray for, look up the Scripture included with each item.

### **Ongoing prayer items in the life of our church:**

- Pray for opportunities and boldness to share the gospel with loved ones (Matt. 28:19)
- Pray for conversions (John 3:3, Acts 16:14)
- Pray for the children of our church to hear and understand the gospel and be saved. (Luke 8:8)
- Pray for the preaching of God's word – for faithfulness, fruitfulness, and God's glory (2 Tim. 4:2, 1 Cor. 2:4-5, Isa. 55:10-11)
- Pray for increased one to one discipleship relationships in our church family (Matt. 28:19-20)
- Pray for unity in our diversity both on Sunday and through the week (Rom. 15:13, Eph 4:2-3)
- Pray for continued growth and joy in the gospel (1 Cor. 15:1-5, 2 Pet. 1:12)
- Pray for growth in holiness, hatred of sin and growth in humility (Prov. 8:13, 1 Pet. 1:14-16)
- Pray for honest, loving relationships in our church (Col. 3:12-13, James 5:16)
- Pray for families: marriages to thrive, parents to teach/love/discipline carefully, and children to obey (Eph. 5:22-6:4)
- Pray that giving would be faithful, joyful, consistent, and sacrificial (2 Cor. 8:9)

### **Prayer items outside our church:**

- Pray that our elected officials would fear God, seek His wisdom, have integrity, humility, and work together for the good of society and not self. (1 Tim. 2:1-2, Rom. 13:1-7)
- Pray for fruitful ministry in other gospel-proclaiming churches in our area. (Rom. 15:20, 1 Cor. 16:1-3, Matt. 28:19-20)

- Pray for our ministry partners locally and around the world—Baptist Convention of Maryland/Delaware (BCM/D), North American Mission Board (NAMB) and International Mission Board (IMB). Pray especially for those we are directly involved with: Jeremy McClain (Mercy of Christ Fellowship Church, DC), Joel Kurz (The Garden Church, Baltimore), Joe and Andi Carroll (Central Asia), Daniel and Brandy Spandler-Davison and Susanna Schriever (Bangkok City Baptist Church, Thailand). Pray the gospel would flourish and churches would be planted and strengthened through their work. Pray that God would supply their needs. (Ps 93:4, Col. 1:5-6, 1 Pet. 4:12-17)

**Particular prayer items in the life of our church:**

- Pray that God would deepen our desire for prayer as a church family. May we not grow weary or apathetic in bringing our concerns to Him. May God help us to sense His presence and power as we pray. (Rom 12:12, Col 4:2)
- Pray that God would renew our strength when we're weary and use our weakness to display His power. (2 Cor. 12:9)
- Pray that a culture of discipleship, joyful hospitality, and mutual care grows in us as a church family (1 Pt 4:9; Col. 3:16)
- Pray God would guard our church from fear, anxiety, and disunity. Pray that we would trust that God is good and be assured that He is in control. (John 13:34-35)
- The following individuals have expressed particular prayer concerns:

**Ralph and Margaret Austin, Bob and Alice Copeland, Sean Edmunds, Faye Griggs (death of son, Seth), Cathy Hall (Death of Aunt), Dolores Harman, Joshua and KayMarie Thomas, Bonnie Trott, Glenn Walker**

(To submit a prayer request, please use the Prayer Request Card available in the sanctuary and drop them in the offering basket or contact the Prayer Room at 301-952-8877.)

## **This Week at First Baptist Church**

### **Sunday, April 23**

9:00 AM DiscipleLIFE classes  
10:00 AM Sunday Worship  
12:00 PM Starting Point Seminar (rooms 120-125)  
6:00 PM Youth Group

### **Monday, April 24**

### **Tuesday, April 25**

### **Wednesday, April 26**

5:40 PM King's Kids Choir  
6:30 PM Bible Study  
AWANA  
Band / Choir Rehearsal

### **Thursday, April 27**

6:30 PM "The Men We Need" Group (room 117)

### **Friday, April 28**

### **Saturday, April 29**

### **Sunday, April 30**

9:00 AM DiscipleLIFE classes  
10:00 AM Sunday Worship  
Special Called Members' Meeting  
3:00 PM Youth Event — Offsite

## **Upcoming Events at First Baptist Church**

### **Sunday, April 23**

12:00pm - Starting Point Seminar

### **Wednesday, May 4**

6:30pm - Church Prayer Meeting

### **Sunday, May 21**

12:00pm - Church Members' Meeting

### **June 26 - 30**

Vacation Bible School

# Announcements

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## **1. Starting Point Seminar—TODAY after worship in rooms 120-125 (youth rooms).**

Anyone interested in church membership or simply learning more about who we are and what we believe is invited to join us for our Starting Point Seminar immediately following the worship service TODAY in rooms 120-125 (Youth Rooms). A light lunch will be served.

## **2. Mark Your Calendar.**

- :: Wednesday, May 4 @ 6:30pm — Church Prayer Meeting
- :: Sunday, May 21 @ 12noon — Quarterly Church Members' Meeting
- :: Wednesday, May 24 — End of Regular Wednesday Night Activities for semester

**3. Special Called Members' Meeting — Sunday, April 30, after worship service.** Church members should have received an email this past week regarding a Special Called Members' Meeting scheduled for Sunday, April 30. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact one of the elders.

**4. Vacation Bible School — June 26-30.** Vacation Bible School is right around the corner on June 26 - 30 from 9am-12:30pm. If you're a member of the church and are interested in volunteering to help, please contact Pam Jensen or Shelbey Strickland.

**5. Giving.** We continue to encourage your faithful giving as the means to sustain the gospel ministry here at FBCUM and as a means for us to care for those in need as a church family. You can give in-person, [give online](#) or mail in your offering to the church office.

