



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
AN AMERICAN BAPTIST CONGREGATION

THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
MAY 22, 2022  
ONLINE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP  
FBC SANCTUARY  
11:00 A.M.

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*So this is my prayer: that your love will flourish and that you will not only love much but well.  
Philippians 1:9 (Eugene Peterson, The Message)*

Gathering Music

“ ‘Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”

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Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Prelude

“All Glory Be to God on High”

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\* Call to Worship

Rev. Nathan Huguley & Dr. Julia Wenzel-Huguley

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord always, again I will say, Rejoice!

**People: Today we choose to rejoice. Today we choose to worship and give thanks.**

Leader: Seek the peace of God that will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

**People: Today we choose God's peace; today we place our trust in God.**

Leader: Turn your hearts away from the distractions and disappointments of life that will always flow in and flow out like the tide. Set your affections on things above and worship the Lord who loves you and cares for you.

**All: We come to worship God who alone is excellent and worthy of praise!**

LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

\* Hymn of Praise (CONG #306)

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”  
MADRID

\* Passing of the Peace

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you!**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**

*If able, please text or message someone from the congregation and share with them the sign of peace.*

\* Eastertide Alleluia (CONGR)

“Celtic Alleluia”, vs. 5

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**Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!**

**The stone which the builders rejected becomes the cornerstone chosen.**

**Praise the work of God for this marvel in our eyes! [Refrain]**

*\* In-person worshippers are invited to stand as able*

\* Gospel Reading

Rev. Nathan Huguley  
Luke 9.46-48

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.  
**People: Thanks be to God!**

Children's Sermon

### SHARING OURSELVES IN PRAYER

Call to Prayer (CONGR #365)

"More Love to Thee"  
MORE LOVE TO THEE

Hearing our Joys and Concerns

Unison Discipline of Confession

**God of mercy, your command to love one another across all differences opens us to new horizons, yet we often respond with fear and judgment that hinders your goal for humanity. Forgive our sins, we pray, and give us a true repentance that leads to life for all creation.**

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Morning Prayer and 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

Prayer Response

"If You Love Me, Keep My Commandments"  
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### RETURNING OUR GIFTS IN GRATITUDE

Sentences of Stewardship

Offertory

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\* Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

(Those wishing to attend Children's Church may leave now)

### PROCLAIMING THE TRUTH WITH HOPE

New Testament Reading

Rev. Cristina Adams  
Philippians 1:1-11

Sermon

Rev. Cristina Adams  
Holding One Another

\* Hymn of Invitation (CONGR 267)

"Blest Be the Tie"  
DENNIS

Life of the Church

Benediction

Postlude

"Alleluias"

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*The flowers on the altar this morning are given for the greater glory of God.*

TODAY IN WORSHIP

*Liturgist: Rev. Nathan Huguley & Dr. Julia Wenzel-Huguley*

*Cantor & Chancel Choir director: Mark Robinson*

*Organist & Chancel Choir Accompanist: Evelyn Falen*

*Livestream Video Crew: Glenn Prescott, Winston Heilman Sound: Ken Hite*

*YouTube Chat Moderator: Kylee Johnston*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

*Local Church: BridgePoint Community Church*

*American Baptist Churches, USA; Region Exe. Min., Rev. Miriam Méndez, serving churches in New Jersey*

*International Ministries Missionaries: Christina & Lance Muteyo, serving in Zimbabwe*

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Every member of First Baptist Church, like every disciple of Christ, is commissioned to participate in Christian ministry.  
The following persons have been called by this congregation to empower such ministry:

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