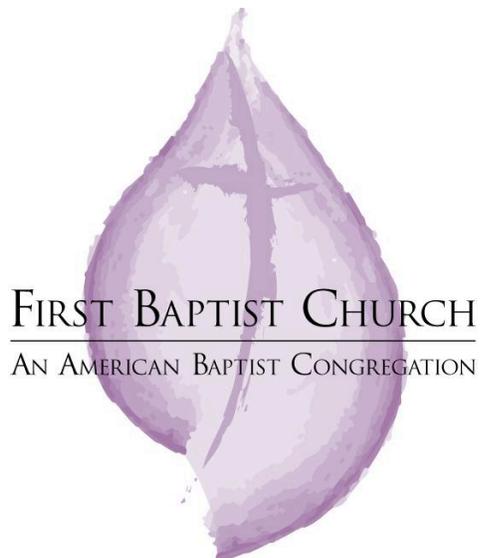




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THE WORSHIP OF GOD
SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 1, 2026
ONLINE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP
11:00 A.M.

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For those of us who have survived war, abandonment, cancer, abuse, the loss of a loved one, or generational trauma... May we know that we're not alone. May we remember that faith, hope, and love endure. And during the moments and seasons when this promise does not seem true, when peace and comfort elude us, when all we want to do is shake our fists and scream into the abyss, when we are unable to face the future with hope, may our communities hold onto hope for us and love us back to life again.

—Elaina Ramsey

Gathering Music

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Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Rev. Cristina Adams

Prelude

“Beautiful Savior”

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LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

* Call to Worship

Neal Purvis
Psalm 121

Leader: From where will our help come?

People: Our help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Leader: Who is our keeper?

People: The Lord is our keeper, by day and by night.

Leader: How long will God protect us?

People: God will keep our going out and our coming in from this time on and forevermore.

* Hymn of Praise (CONGR 357)

“O Praise the Gracious Power”

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* 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!

* Responding in Peace (CONGR 635 v 2)

“I Want Jesus to Walk with Me”
SOJOURNER

Children’s Sermon

SHARING OURSELVES IN PRAYER

Call to Prayer (CONGR 387)

“God Who Made Us, Christ Who Calls Us”
GALILEE

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

Unison Discipline of Confession

Gracious God, we come before you in need of forgiveness and grace. You call us to trust in you completely, but we do not. We are timid and fearful as we follow your lead. We justify our actions and words, though we know they are not what you require. We struggle to understand the new life Christ offers, preferring old habits to risky change. Forgive us, we pray. Help us to be born again into the life of Christ, trusting that you have included us by grace in the family of faith.

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, God is for us and not against us! For that very reason, God sent the Son into the world not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Believe the good news, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Morning Prayer and 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 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.

RETURNING OUR GIFTS IN GRATITUDE

Sentences of Stewardship

Offertory

“Lamentation”

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* Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

PROCLAIMING THE TRUTH WITH HOPE

* Gospel Reading

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

John 5.1-9a

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

“The Hurting Are Healed”

CELEBRATING THE TABLE OF GRACE

Call to Communion

“Remembrance” (The Communion Song)

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Invitation to the Table

Celebration of the Bread

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Celebration of the Cup

“Come, Share the Lord”

* Hymn of Invitation (CONGR 457)

“Come and Feast, for All Are Welcomed”
REGENT SQUARE

* Life of the Church

* Benediction

Postlude

“Prelude in C minor”
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TODAY IN WORSHIP

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Assoc. Pastor for Children, Youth, & Families: Rev. Cristina Adams
Liturgist: Neal Purvis • Organist: Evelyn Falen
Director of Worship Music & Worship Band Director: Mark Robinson
Livestream Video Crew: Joanna Gillette, Glenn Prescott • Sound: Brandon Gillette
YouTube & Facebook Chat Moderator: Susan Pauls

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Local Church: Lawrence Bible Chapel
American Baptist Churches, USA: Executive Minister Rev. Dr. Sandra DeMott Hasenauer,
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International Ministries Global Servants: Lori & Matt Mann, serving in Southeast Asia

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Every member of First Baptist Church, like every disciple of Christ, is commissioned to participate in Christian ministry.
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