

Debbie Paden Mobley is the soloist on the choral worship today.

Members of Bell Tower Ringers, under the direction of Julie Treu, include Will Livingston, Nancy Greer, Melissa Horn, Kathy Barksdale, Sue Palmer, Jeanie Bryan, Kathy Eckart, Leah Wynn, Elaine Barnhill, Ann Marie Pasek, Beth Olson and Barbara Gulley. Contact Julie Treu if you would like to join them.

Kyle Matthews, Minister of Pastoral Care, is the additional soloist today.

The Reverend Dr. Brian Henderson is the Executive Director of the Association of Welcoming & Affirming Baptists (AWAB). Since 1993, AWAB has been supporting churches in being and becoming Welcoming and Affirming of all people regardless of gender identity or sexual orientation.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given in loving memory of Max and Nancy Whatley by their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

The benediction is adapted from a piece by Rev. Brittany McDonald Null. Music selections today include: "Wondrous Love," an American folk hymn arranged by Brian Childers (ASCAP), ©2015 Candelaworks Music (ASCAP); "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me," a traditional spiritual arranged by Moses Hogan, ©1997 Hal Leonard Corporation; "A Teacher and a Friend" by Kyle D. Matthews, ©2011 Kyle Matthews, Catalytic Songs, Inc.; "Abide with Me" arranged by Ron Mallory (ASCAP), ©2016 Ringing Word Publications; and "Amen" from "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" by John Rutter, ©1981 Oxford University Press; and *Allegro* (from Concerto in A minor after Vivaldi, BWV 593) by J.S. Bach. (CCLI 1466252, OneLicense.net A-717474)

### Wednesdays@First Schedule

4:00-7:00pm *YouthFamily@First*: Hang Time (AYMC Terrace Level)

5:00-6:00pm Supper and Prayer Time (Fellowship Hall)

5:30-7:00pm *FBGKids@First*: Worship Care for Ages 3 & Under (C208, C214)

5:45-7:00pm *FBGKids@First*: K4 & K5 Choir & Making Space Blocks (C302)

5:45-7:00pm *FBGKids@First*: 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Choir (C303)

*FBGKids@First*: Making Space Blocks (C300)

6:00-7:00pm *Adults@First* (MidWeek Classic & Other Adult Education Offerings)

7:00-8:30pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Mary Carol Anderson  
Youth and College

Jenna Manning  
Church Operations

Michael McEntyre  
Engaged Aging

Julie Fayssoux  
First Baptist Day School

Kyle Matthews  
Pastoral Care

Laura Ritter  
Music

Bridget Kokolis  
Children

Carol McEntyre  
Senior Minister

Charles Tompkins  
Organist

Camille Loomis Rehnborg  
Spiritual Formation  
and Outreach

Andrew Tonks  
Associate Youth and College

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## Looking Ahead

Sunday, February 22-March 1  
Youth Ministry Fundraising Week

Sunday, February 22

11:30 am Vocare Rehearsal (Choir Room)

*Vocare is our youth choral ensemble for 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students.*

11:30am-1:00pm First Baptist 101

*First Baptist 101 is a 3-week informational series for visitors, new members, and anyone curious to learn more about FBG's history and ways to engage.*

11:30am-3:00pm FBG Kids Sunday Funday: Lunch and Big Air  
*Children's Ministry hosts a fellowship event each month during the school year for grades 1-5.*

4:00-7:00pm Youth Ministry Fundraising Week Activity: Youth vs. Adults  
Game Night (AYMC)

5:00pm LGBTQ & Friends Community Group: Potluck Meal with Brian Henderson (Parlor)

*All are welcome to support, learn and fellowship with the LGBTQ community in our church.*

Tuesday, February 24

2:00pm Engaged Aging Tea Party (Parlor)

*Sponsored by the Engaged Aging Ministry, this sophisticated affair will include dainty finger foods, vintage china, elegant decor, charming conversation and delightful activities. Register on Realm Connect.*

Wednesday, February 25

7:00am Wednesday Morning Men's Bible Study Group (AYMC Terrace Level)

*All men of the congregation are invited to study the Revised Common Lectionary weekly passages.*

*Wednesdays@First* Activities

*Wednesdays@First offers a meal, fellowship and spiritual formation opportunities for all ages. See block for more information.*

6:00pm *Adults@First* Opportunities

MidWeek Classic: Where the Sidewalk Ends; Navigating Life's Unwanted Transitions (Fellowship Hall) led by Kyle Matthews

Freeing Jesus Book Group (Media Center) led by Camille Loomis Rehnborg

Introduction to Hand Chimes (Parlor) led by Julie Treu

Sunday, March 1

9:00am Coffee with Carol (Reception Area)

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### Revenue Report

2/18/2026 YTD: \$417,404

2/28/2025 Actual: \$540,558

2/28/2026 Budget: \$513,167

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## Rediscovering Jesus

February 22, 2026

First Sunday in Lent

Ten Thirty O'Clock



## Invited to Belong

Greeting Michael McEntyre

Music for Centering “Wondrous Love” WONDROUS LOVE  
arr. Brian Childers

Welcome of Worshipers Michael McEntyre

### Call to Worship

We remember the words of our Lord Jesus: “I no longer call you servants.... Instead, I have called you friends.”

**We come to worship the One who knows our hearts and calls us by name.**

Christ, our Friend, invites us to bring before him our joys, our burdens, and our brokenness.

**Throughout our lives, he rejoices with us and receives our cries of pain with compassion..**

Let us worship the Savior who is with us in every season of life.

**Come, let us worship and rediscover Jesus Christ, our eternal friend.**

\*Processional Hymn OLD 124TH  
“Eternal Lord of Love, Behold Your Church”

Hymn is printed on inserted page.

## Invited to Dedicate

Family Dedication Bridget Kokolis

Allie and Peyton Mills with Millie Mills

## Invited to Wonder

Gospel Reading John 15:9-17 Duke McCall

page 878 of the Bible in the pew rack

Choral Worship “I Want Jesus to Walk with Me” *Traditional Spiritual*  
arr. Moses Hogan

*I want Jesus to walk with me  
All along my pilgrim journey,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.  
In my trials, Lord, walk with me.  
When my heart is almost breaking,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.  
When I'm troubled, Lord, walk with me.  
Lord, when my head is bowed in sorrow,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*

Pastoral Prayer Mary Carol Anderson

\*Children's Hymn 302 CONVERSE  
“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

(K4/K5 children gather at Come Unto Me Window to depart for Worship Care.)

Sermon Rediscovering Jesus as Friend Carol McEntyre

Music for Reflection “A Teacher and a Friend” Kyle D. Matthews

## Invited to Respond

\*Invitation Hymn 249 NEED  
“I Need Thee Every Hour”

*Please come forward to greet the pastor during the singing of this hymn if you wish to confess your faith, identify with this fellowship, or share a vocational call.*

Ministry Moment: AWAB Brian Henderson, Executive Director

Invitation to Share

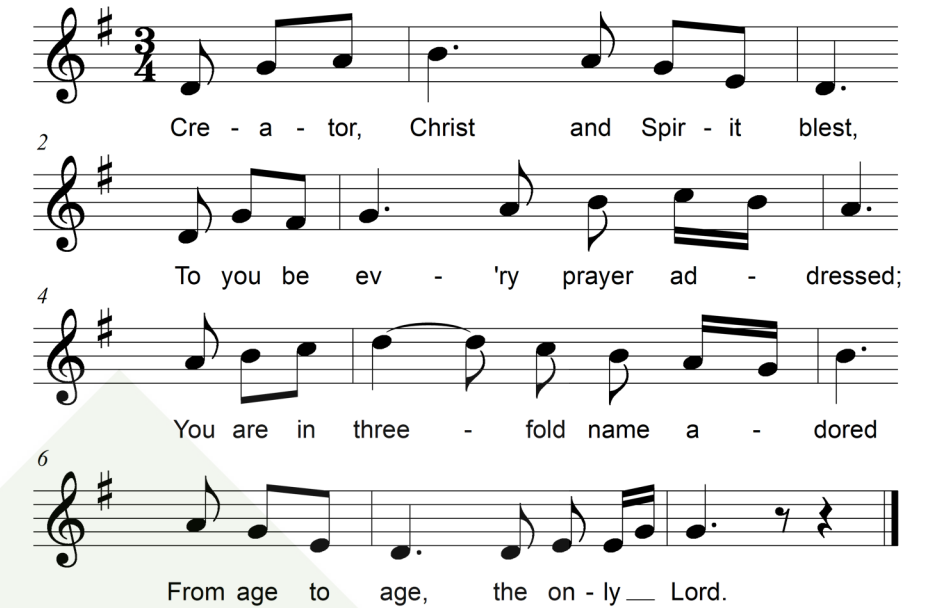
Musical Offering “Abide with Me” EVENTIDE  
arr. Ron Mallory

Introduction of New Members Mary Carol Anderson

Invitation to Engage Carol McEntyre

## Invited to Bless

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Cre - a - tor, Christ and Spir - it blest,  
To you be ev - 'ry prayer ad - dressed;  
You are in three - fold name a - dored  
From age to age, the on - ly Lord.

\*Benediction Carol McEntyre

As you go, remember the one who went before us:

**The one who calls us friends and teaches us the way of life.**

The one who offers us wholeness and helps us imagine a better world,

**The one who guides our steps and is with us now and always.**

Go in peace, trusting that your experiences with Christ will provide a more robust understanding of the God who knows you by name.

**We will go to trust and serve the Lord.**

\*Benediction Response “Amen” John Rutter  
 (“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”)

Postlude *Allegro* J.S. Bach  
(from Concerto in A minor after Vivaldi, BWV 593)

**Our Service of Worship has ended.  
Our Worship through Service begins.**