

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

April 21, 2019 ✕ 11:00 am

✕ *The Season of the Church Year: Easter Sunday*

✕ *Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!* ✕

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS Rev. Anita Thompson

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PASTORAL SENTENCES Rev. Dr. Trey Gilliam

Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed!

PROCESSION OF THE CHRIST CANDLE Mr. Steven Hollingsworth, Acolyte

CALL TO WORSHIP Mrs. Carolyn Arrington

Beloved church, behold the victory of our God:
Jesus, our Lord, has conquered the grave!
Christ is risen! Alleluia!
Sin and death shall reign no more!
Christ is risen! Alleluia!
Let this place resound with joy!
Christ is risen! Alleluia!
Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed!

INTROIT *Easter Festival* Michael S. Bryson
The Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER OF INVOCATION Mrs. Arrington

ORDINANCE OF BAPTISM Dr. Gilliam
Miracle Deloatch
Daughter of George & Sharon Deloatch

+HYMN OF PRAISE 194 *Christ the Lord is Risen Today* EASTER HYMN

CHILDREN'S TIME & BLESSING Rev. Thompson

People of God, what is your prayer for these children?
**Our prayer is that they grow up to be like Jesus—strong and brave,
full of grace and truth, and that we will help them.**

✕ *Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!* ✕

A READING FROM ACTS Acts 10:34-43 Mrs. Pat Byrd
In Pew Bible, page 157 of New Testament

This is the word of God for the people of God; **thanks be to God.**

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Thompson

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS Rev. Thompson

Christ is Risen! There is new life everywhere.
There is Good News everywhere.
There is nothing lost that cannot be found,
no dark place where light cannot shine,
no awful past that cannot lead to a bright future.
We are God's beloved; we are children of the resurrection.
Live into the hope and promise of Christ,
knowing we are forgiven and loved.
Christ is risen! We are forgiven!
Thanks be to God!

+HYMN 188 *"Man of Sorrows," What a Name* WHAT A SAVIOR

+OFFERTORY PRAYER Mrs. Byrd

OFFERTORY *At Calvary* arr. Mary McDonald
The Sanctuary Choir

+DOXOLOGY LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Christ is risen! Alleluia! Christ is risen! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Amen.

✠ *Lives again our glorious King. Alleluia!* ✠

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Matthew 28:1-20

In Pew Bible, page 41 of New Testament

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Dr. Gilliam

SERMON

Resurrection Responsibilities

Dr. Gilliam

INVITATION

Dr. Gilliam

+HYMN OF RESPONSE 415 *Lift High the Cross*

CRUCIFER

✠ *Soar we now where Christ has led. Alleluia!* ✠

+BENEDICTION

Dr. Gilliam

+CHORAL RESPONSE

Easter Fanfare
The Sanctuary Choir

Michael S. Bryson

+CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

As the chimes strike three times—in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—our corporate worship ends, and our opportunity begins to be the presence of Christ in the world, through the power of the Holy Spirit.

+ POSTLUDE

+Those who are able are invited to stand.

We give thanks for those caring for our young ones today in Extended Session while we worship:

Babies: Kari Pierce & Taylor F. Rose

Ages 1 & 2: Bill & Debbie Magette

Age 3 – Kindergarten: Harriet Byrum & Claudia Morris

Floater: Melanie Byrum

OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Anita D. Thompson
Associate Pastor

Rev. Dr. Paul R. Gilliam III
(Trey)
Pastor

Mrs. Elizabeth Villegas
Minister to Youth & Children

Mr. W. Bland Baker
Music Associate

Rev. Dr. Jesse J. Croom
Pastor Emeritus

Christ is Risen!



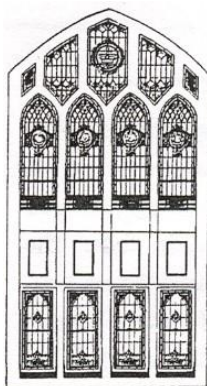
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THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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The First Baptist Church of Ahoskie is a Cooperative Baptist Fellowship congregation.



A Window on the Weeks Ahead

April 21, 2019

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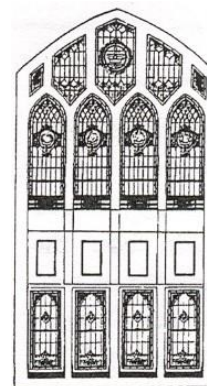
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