THE WORSHIP OF GOD

April 28, 2019 № 11:00 am

母 The Season of the Church Year: The Second Sunday of Easter

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS

Rev. Dr. Trey Gilliam

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PASTORAL SENTENCES

Dr. Gilliam

PIANO PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES AND OPENING OF THE BIBLE

Mr. Ron & Mrs. Betsy McSwain, Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Mr. Scott Outlaw

The Risen One comes alongside us on our journey from the empty tomb.

With love and encouragement, He speaks to us the word that frees us from our sorrows.

Let us celebrate the promise of new life, for Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed!

Risen Christ,

You opened the scriptures to Your disciples and made their hearts burn within them.

Open our eyes, our ears, and our hearts, so we might recognize You once again to the words of scripture, in the songs we sing, and in the prayers we pray. In Your holy name we pray.

Amen.

+HYMN OF PRAISE 306 Come, Christians, Join to Sing

MADRID

CHILDREN'S TIME

Child Dedication

Helen Anderson Chamblee
Born on September 6, 2018
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OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Lamentations 3:22-24

In Pew Bible, page 937 of Old Testament

This is the word of God for the people of God;

thanks be to God.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Thompson

Mr. Bill Magette

ANTHEM

Power to Redeem
Chairo

arr. Jay Rouse

You take what is and You make it beautiful.

When Love floods in we're restored forevermore.

With breath that brings the dead to life,

With words that pierce the dark with Light,

Only by the blood are we set free.

With mercy strong to carry shame and nail it to a tree,

You alone hold the power to redeem.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Rev. Thompson

+HYMN 622

He Lives

Mr. Magette

Dr. Gilliam

ACKLEY

+OFFERTORY PRAYER

PIANO OFFERTORY

+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.

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NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Luke 24:13-23; 28-35

In Pew Bible, page 109 of New Testament

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PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Dr. Gilliam

SERMON Unshackled Dr. Gilliam

INVITATION

It is our tradition to offer a time of response near the end of worship. A response may take the shape of a profession of faith in Jesus Christ and desire to be baptized, a request for church membership, or the sharing of a prayer concern or praise which may be communicated with the congregation or safely kept between the sharer and minister. Please respond as you feel led during the Hymn of Response.

+HYMN OF RESPONSE 395 Open My Eyes, That I May See

SCOTT

+BENEDICTION Dr. Gilliam

+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.

Today's Altar Flowers are given by Nat & Lou Riddick in honor of Natalie Riddick, David, Elizabeth and Pace Davis.

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

Babies: Austine Evans & Sandra Pierce Ages 1 & 2: Jessica Brinkley & Georgia Copeland

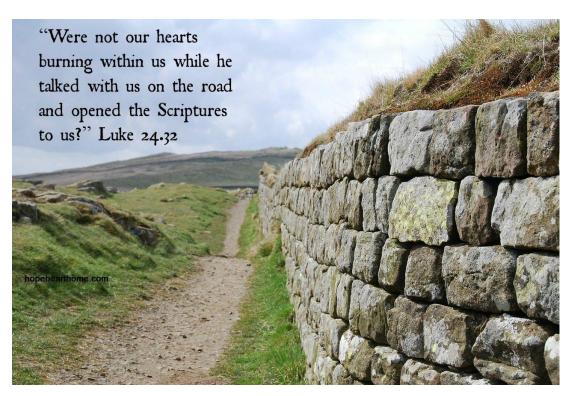
Age 3 – Kindergarten: James & Eva Early Floater: Judy H. Pierce

OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Anita D. Thompson Rev. Dr. Paul R. Gilliam III (Trey)

Associate Pastor Pastor

Mr. W. Bland Baker Music Associate Mrs. Elizabeth Villegas Minister to Youth & Children Rev. Dr. Jesse J. Croom Pastor Emeritus



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THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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Rev. Anita Thompson

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Do you dedicate Helen to the Lord by committing yourselves to raise your daughter in the Christian faith; bringing her to church, leading her in prayer, and reading to her the scriptures, in order that she may also come to follow Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord? *We do*.

Do you, the members of this congregation, accept the responsibility, together with these parents, to teach and nurture Helen in the Christian faith so that she may be brought into full maturity of faith in Jesus Christ? *We do.*

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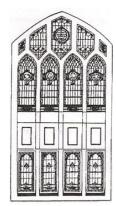
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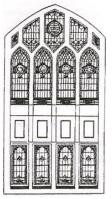
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