



Palm SUNDAY

The Worship of God ✠ April 13, 2025
Palm Sunday

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

April 13, 2025 ✠ 11:00 AM

✠ *The Season of the Church Year: Palm Sunday*

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS

Dr. Dennis Bazemore

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Mr. Jordan Martin

*PIANO PRELUDE

Palm Branches

Stan Pethel

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES AND OPENING OF THE BIBLE

Mrs. Victoria Outlaw & Miss Peyton Outlaw, Acolytes

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Greg Barmer

Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Today we gather in the name of the King, the Savior, the Messiah.

Hosanna in the highest! We welcome You, O Lord, with joyful hearts.

We lift up our voices in praise for the one who brings peace and salvation!

The crowds shouted and waved palm branches, proclaiming the glory of God.

Let us join in their song, honoring the triumph of Jesus as He enters our hearts.

We praise You, Jesus, our Savior and King! We worship with gladness and thanksgiving, for the King of glory is here among us today. We open our hearts to You, Lord. Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN 175

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

ST THEODULPH

+INVOCATION

Mr. Dempsey Pierce

CHILDREN'S TIME & BLESSING

Dr. Bazemore

People of God, what is our 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.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Zechariah 9:9-10

Mr. Pierce

In Pew Bible, pages 1081 & 1082 of Old Testament

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

ANTHEM

At Calvary

arr. McDonald

+HYMN 190

The Power of the Cross

OH, TO SEE THE DAWN

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Dr. Barmer

*PIANO OFFERTORY

*O Sacred Head, Now Wounded
with Jesus Paid It All*

Cindy Berry

+ LENTEN DOXOLOGY, Hymn 171, stanza 3

WONDROUS LOVE

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing;

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing.

To God and to the Lamb who is the great "I Am,"

While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;

While millions join the theme, I will sing!

+NEW TESTAMENT LESSON John 12:12-19

Dr. Bazemore

In Pew Bible, pages 129 & 130 of New Testament

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

Thanks be to God.



SERMON

The Jesus Parade

Dr. Bazemore

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 186

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

HAMBURG

+BENEDICTION

Dr. Bazemore



+LENTEN RESPONSE

arr. Mark Edwards

Jesus, keep me near the cross: there a precious fountain,

Free to all, a healing stream, flows from Calvary's mountain.

In the cross, in the cross be my glory ever,

Till my ransomed soul shall find rest beyond the river.

+CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

As we leave, let us remember that we do not leave the church. We leave as the church to go into the world and make disciples . . . in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*POSTLUDE

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Gilbert M. Martin

+Those who are able are invited to stand.

**Denotes piano duet by Mr. Jordan Martin and Mrs. Leah Newsome.*

OUR MINISTRY TEAM

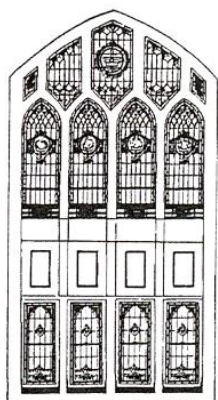
Dr. Dennis N. Bazemore
Interim Pastor

Dr. Greg Barmer
Interim Minister of Music

Dr. Jesse J. Croom
Pastor Emeritus

Mrs. Leah Newsome
Pianist

Mr. Jordan Martin
Organist



A Window on the Weeks Ahead

April 13, 2025

First Baptist Church of Ahoskie, NC

✦ Worship Notes

◆Worship Childcare – We give thanks for those caring for our young ones today while we worship:

Ages 1 & 2: Kay Byrd & Taylor F. Rose

Ages 3 & 4: David & Elizabeth Davis

Kindergarten: Lily Ann Brinkley & Winnie Matthews

✦ Youth End-of-Year Party | Today | 12:00 PM

✦ Upcoming Meetings

Deacons' | Tuesday, April 15, 2025 | 7:00 PM

Building & Grounds | Monday, April 21, 2025 | 7:00 PM

✦ Maundy Thursday | April 17, 2025

- 6:00 PM Meal

- 7:00 PM Worship Service

✦ Annual Easter Egg Hunt | Saturday, April 19, 2025 | 11:00 AM

Birth-Grade 5 | Home of Brent & Kari Pierce

✦ The Gathering Place Donation

The Gathering Place is in search of an office desk. If you have a desk that you're willing to donate, contact Pat Byrd at (252) 209-4301. We thank you for your continued support!

✦ Churchwide Mission Project

You can send a refugee child to Camp Mundo Vista to learn about Jesus and experience summer activities. Camp is June 23-27. The cost is \$200.00 per child. You may place your donation in the FBCA offering plate, mail a check to FBCA and designate it to "International Camp", or visit:

<https://bit.ly/internationalcamp2025>. Donations are due by May 15, 2025. If you have any questions, please contact Claire Presley at (252) 287-6132.

✦ Church Building Closed in Observance of Easter Monday

April 21, 2025

✦ Children's End-of-Year Concert

Sunday, May 4, 2025 | Sanctuary | 11:00 AM

✂ College Scholarship Applications

Please call the church office if you would like an application. All completed applications are due in the church office by April 30, 2025.

James Wilton “Wig” & Frances Freeman Bracy Scholarship

Frances Bracy established a scholarship in honor of her family and her late husband Wig, desiring to make a college education affordable for church members who may have financial need or for whom college would otherwise be unattainable. FBCA members who will be college students during the 2025-2026 academic year are encouraged to apply.

Oscar Creech Scholarship

This scholarship is named after FBCA’s longest tenured pastor who prayed that God would call persons, from among the FBCA membership, into full-time, church-related vocation. Students who have sensed a call to ministry and are FBCA members, are encouraged to apply.