

**Service of Worship**  
**March 26, 2023 | 10AM**  
**The Fifth Sunday of Lent**

**Lent** 

**First Christian Church**  
**(Disciples of Christ)**  
**Wilson, NC**

# First Christian Church at Worship

March 26, 2023

## The Fifth Sunday of Lent

† *At this sign you are invited to rise in body or spirit.*

CH indicates Chalice Hymnal (red hymn book)

CP indicates Chalice Praise (purple hymn book)

Gathering In Fellowship Together

Welcome and Announcements

Theresa Mathis

Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude

Casey Childers, organ

***Variation II & III on "My Hope Is Built"*** arr. Raymond Haan

† Call To Worship

Mary Louise Gray

Leader: God's people, wait for the Lord! Because faithful love  
and great redemption is with our God;

**Response: Our God is the one who will redeem us from all our sin.**

† Opening Hymn of Praise

***My Hope is Built***

CH #537

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness.

I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

REFRAIN: On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand;  
all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace.

In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil. (refrain)

His oath, his covenant, his blood support me in the whelming flood.

When all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay. (refrain)

When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found!

Dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne! (refrain)

† Praying Together

led by Mary Louise Gray

**God of life, breathe into us today the same Spirit which  
you breathed into your people throughout the ages. Renew**

**our efforts to be your faithful people as we worship together  
this day, for we ask this and all things in the name of Jesus,  
amen.**

Prayer Concerns

Gilda Cauley

Silent Prayer

*(please use this time to pray for each person on the prayer list,  
for our homebound, and for your personal concerns)*

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Jamie Brame

*(at the end of each prayer section, the minister will say, "God in your mercy;"  
the response will be, "Hear our prayer.")*

Hymn of Prayer

***Lord, Be Glorified***

CP #42

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.

In my life, Lord, be glorified, today.

2. In your church...

3. In our praise....

4. In our work....

5. In our prayers....

Children's Moment

Jeannette Etheridge

Invitation to Communion

Rev. Brame

Communion Prayer

Gilda Cauley

Anthem

Chancel Choir with Kids Praise

***Come and Eat*** arr, Hal Hopson

(Women and Kids Praise) Come and eat this bread, Christ is here!

Eat this bread, Christ is here!

(Men) Come and drink this cup, Christ is here!

Drink this cup, Christ is here!

(ALL) At this table here we are one.

We are one, one in Christ.

Words of Institution

Rev. Brame

The Lord's Prayer

led by Rev. Brame

**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. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, and deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*Following the Lord's Prayer, children pre k-3rd grade are invited to attend Children's Sunday School in the Education Building.*

Invitation to Offering

Rev. Brame

Offertory

Casey Childers, piano

***Beneath the Cross of Jesus*** arr. David Scwoebel

†Doxology

sung to HAMBURG

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

†Blessing of the Gifts

Rev. Brame

Scripture and Response

John 11: 32-44

Mary Louise Gray

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

**The Resurrection of the Rest of Us**

Rev. Brame

†Closing Hymn

***Beneath the Cross of Jesus***

CH #197

Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand  
The shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land.  
A home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,  
From the burning of the noontide heat, and the burden of the day.

Upon that cross of Jesus mine eye at times can see  
the very dying form of One who suffered there for me.  
And from my stricken heart with tears, two wonders I confess,  
The wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.

I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place.  
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of His face.  
Content to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss.  
My sinful self my only shame, my glory all the cross.

†Saying the Prayer by The Elders

led by Gilda Cauley

**Almighty God, your love sets us free to truly love and grow.**

**Thank you for our church with its caring, compassionate, and serving family.**

**Kindle within our hearts, an underlying gratitude for strength and hope.**

**Give us the power to imagine our future and the courage to honor our past.**

**Help us build on our past, as we work together as one body.**

**Grant us wisdom and foresight to remain faithful during the course of our journey.**

**Raise up in a transformational pastor an inner longing to hear our call to ministry. We delight in the leadership of your spirit, Lord, as you consider the desires of our hearts for the one who shall be our shepherd. AMEN**

†Pastor's Blessing

Rev. Brame

Postlude

Casey Childers, organ

***Toccata on "My Hope Is Built"*** arr. By Raymond Haan

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## Easter Lily Tributes - Easter Sunday, April 9

A large Easter Lily arrangement will be placed in the worship space on Easter Sunday, April 9, to honor and memorialize our loved ones. If you would like to place a tribute "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" a loved one that will be acknowledged in the church bulletin on Easter Sunday, send your \$10 donation to the church office no later than Wednesday, April 5 or place in the offering tray during the Sunday services. Please make checks payable to First Christian Church and note the donation is for the *Easter Lily Tribute*.

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## **Announcements**

- Community Lenten Service this week: **Wednesday, March 29 at 12:10PM**, First Christian Church. A light lunch will be served after the service.
- Pastor's Class: 11:10am - Noon, Pastor's Office, each Sunday thru March 26.
- It is not too early to start thinking about summer camps! After having gone through multiple summers with the camps operating on limited schedules, both Camp Caroline and Christmount are preparing for a full complement of camps. Contact the church office or the Regional office for more details.

## **Barton College Light of Light Series**

The Center for Vocation and Rural Ministry will hold a community Light of Life lecture on April 4, 2023, at 4:00pm, in Howard Chapel at Barton College. The speaker is Rev. Suzanne Miller, founder and executive director of Pastors for NC Children, a faith-based organization advocating for equal education for all children in public schools.

## **Welcome!**

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us today in person or online and hope the worship we share will prepare you for the coming week! We would be grateful if you would take a moment to provide contact information and/or feedback by email at [officestaff2@fccwilson.org](mailto:officestaff2@fccwilson.org) or calling the church office at 252-237-4125.

## **In Our Prayers**

Peggy Anderson; Melissa Balazi; Donahue Bottoms, Jr. (Dalen Bottoms' son); Wanda Brown; Win Craft (friend of Wendy & Brian Wingate); Allan Daniell; The family of Marie Harrell (Wanda Brown's mother); Rev. Carnie Hedgepeth; Lynn Hinson; Emily Johnson (Myra Powell's mother); LaRue Massey (Kathy Sandifer's friend); Shelton McNair, Jr. (Mary Louise Gray's nephew); Alesha Respass; Janet Robbins; Troy and Leigh Ann Tatum; Phil & Sue Winstead; Kristy Wisniewski (friend of Christy Proctor & Melissa Denton); Our Pastoral Search Committee.

## **Homebound**

Jim Boswell; Dalen Bottoms; Sherry Brenner; Hazel Byers; Gilbert Ferrell; J.R. Gordon; Judy Harris; Nan Owens; Doug Ramsey; Lenore Smith; Alice Thomas; Charlotte Wallace; A.J. Walston; John and Mabel Whitley

## Church Calendar

### Today, March 26

10:00am      Worship  
11:00am      Disciples Class  
11:10am      Pastor's Class (in Rev. Brame's office)  
11:11am      Sunday Morning **LIVE**

### Tuesday, March 28

11:00am      Staff Meeting  
5:30pm      Encounter  
5:30pm      A Novel Idea Book Club  
6:30pm      Chalice Ringers

### Wednesday, March 29

12:10pm      Community Lenten Service and Lunch (First Christian Church)  
7:00pm      Chancel Choir

### Thursday, March 30

10:30am      Bible Study with Jamie Brame  
6:30pm      Elder's Meeting

### Sunday, April 2—Palm Sunday

10:00am      Worship  
11:00am      Disciples Class  
11:11am      Sunday Morning **LIVE**

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Casey Childers *Organist and Minister of Music*

Charles Cauley *Interim Office Administrator*

Connie Farris *Financial Secretary*