

The Season of Easter – Rising Strong

We chart the growth of our children in many ways – learning to speak that first word, walk, or read. Some track their height. Others trace growth by their grade level or the next sports league. The question before us today is: “How do we measure growth in our Christian journey?” As we prepare for worship, think of the ways you are growing. What enables you to grow in goodness and face the challenges and crises of life?

Faces & Places of First Baptist Church

Prelude	<i>Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor</i> <i>Ralph Vaughan Williams</i> <i>(Lord, Enthroned in heavenly splendor first begotten from the dead, You alone, our strong defender, now lift up Your people's head. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Jesus, true and living Bread!)</i>	Hye-Jean Choi
Welcome		Keith Post
Time of Greeting	<i>What a Beautiful Name</i>	
Lighting of the Christ Candle		Keith Post
Congregational Call to Worship	<i>This is Amazing Grace</i> <i>Your Grace Is Enough</i>	
Morning Prayer		Keith Post
Family Dedication	<i>Collins Roan</i> <i>Aaron & Keathley Roan, parents</i>	Phil Christopher
Songs of Our Worship	<i>I Need Thee Every Hour</i>	CH 638
God's Eternal Word for Us Today	<i>II Peter 1:3-11</i> <i>Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.</i> <i>Congregation: Thanks be to God.</i>	Marylan Bacon
Offertory Prayer		Barbara Bacon
Offertory	<i>Revelation 19</i>	Sanctuary Choir
Message from God's Word	<i>Rising Strong to Grow</i>	Phil Christopher
Observance of the Lord's		Phil Christopher
Invitation	<i>Step by Step</i>	
Continuing Acts of Worship		Mike Greenfield
Words of Gratitude		Sarah Greenfield
Recognition of Decisions		Becky Tucker
Benediction	<i>This is Amazing Grace</i>	
Postlude	<i>Toccata in Seven</i> <i>John Rutter</i>	Hye-Jean Choi

Instrumentalists: Patti Walker, piano Hye-Jean Choi-Organ