

# Welcome!

We are honored you have chosen to worship with us today. Please help us get to know you by providing the requested information and placing this tear off tab in the offering plate during the Worship Service.

April 1, 2012

I would like to receive the church mailings

Mr./Mrs./Ms. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

email \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

What brought you to us today?

- New to town
- HPU student
- Looking for a new church home
- Website
- Yellow Pages
- Invited by a friend: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of a church?  Yes  No

Church name \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Did you attend a class today?  Yes  No

Which class \_\_\_\_\_

Best time to contact you:

Day \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

Names and birthdates of children living at home:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

*Our Pastor would love to meet you today. He will be at the center door as you exit the Worship Service. Please introduce yourself to him before you leave.*

## Today's Worship Music

All Glory, Laud, and Honor • Hymn #126  
Sing to the King  
Holy is the Lord  
Victory in Jesus • Hymn #426

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna • Hymn #130  
Take My Life and Let it Be Consecrated • Hymn #277  
Doxology



### Holy Week Schedule

Maundy Thursday  
April 5 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday  
April 6 7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday  
April 8  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Worship 10:50 a.m.

### How to unite with the First Family

At First Baptist Church, Brownwood, we welcome you to become a part of our family of faith. We invite you to visit one of our Sunday School classes & Bible Study groups, as well as the worship choir, student & children's groups.

Membership in the church is offered to anyone who professes Jesus Christ as their Savior and follows Him in believer's baptism. One of the ministers will be glad to visit with you during the invitation or make an appointment to discuss this or any other questions you may have about FBC at your convenience.

*If you have a decision to make or wish to talk or pray with someone, we invite you to come to the front of the Sanctuary during the invitation hymn, immediately following the sermon, and speak with one of the ministers.*

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Dr. Rodney McGlothlin  
Senior Pastor

Who cries at a parade? I have gotten misty eyed when Old Glory passes by, but I don't weep at the homecoming or July 4 celebrations. Prior to the start of the first Easter parade, Jesus made a plea to Jerusalem. He said, "How often I would have gathered you under my arms, as a hen gathers her chicks, but you would not." Jesus is about to be welcomed into Jerusalem and honored as their coming King. He already knew it wasn't going to end well. They didn't want his kind of King. They would crucify Him rather than follow Him. He was grieved over their rejection. You might say he cried at his own parade.

Everybody wants a Messiah tailored to their hopes and dreams. They don't want one that expects them to be shaped by the Messiah's vision.

We have been on a Lenten quest to follow Jesus. Today is a good day to remember that if we follow Jesus we cannot expect Him to be the Savior of our little kingdoms. We must be captured for His Kingdom vision.

We remember His sacrifice this week. Isn't it time we focus on the kind of people we need to be to bring His Kingdom on earth as it is in heaven? Or is He still crying 2000 years later to Palm Sunday Christians, "How often I would have forgiven, received, and changed you, but you wouldn't have it?" We will decide this week. Follow Him? Or crucify Him?

Imperfect as we are, I am glad to follow Jesus with you. I am glad to be

Your Pastor,

