First Baptist Church at Worship

February 9, 2020 Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Gathering



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bring

the Cit-y of God!

You are salt for the earth, O people: salt for the Kingdom of God!

Share the flavor of life, O people: life in the Kingdom of God! REFRAIN

You are a light on the hill, O people: light for the City of God!

Shine so holy and bright, O people: shine for the Kingdom of God! REFRAIN

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Greeting and Call to Worship

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bring

Alice Tremaine

God comes among us and within each one, inviting us to be salty Christians.

We are each important to the good work

the King-dom of

God seeks to accomplish with and through us.

We are called to be lights in the world and to let our lights shine brightly.

God expects us to reflect eternal truth

and to lead others to Christ's way.

With the humility of the Apostle Paul, we offer our weakness and limited insight.

In our worship and in our service we seek to demonstrate the mind of Christ.

+Hymn 352

All Praise to Thee

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+Prayer of Confession

Paul Sims

...and mold us into the people You would have us be. Amen.



Christ, Be Our Light

by Bernadette Farrell





Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to You.

Make us Your own, Your holy people, light for the world to see. REFRAIN

Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair.

Your word alone has power to save us. Make us Your living voice. REFRAIN

Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong.

Let us be servants to one another, making Your kingdom come. REFRAIN

The Word

Children's Sermon Lindsay Lowe

A Reading from Hebrew Scripture: Isaiah 58:1-11 Jefferson Calico

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+Psalms 111 and 112

HYMN TO JOY

Alleluia! Laud and blessing to our God, whose word is sure;

By whose grace we find redemption, in whose love we live secure.

Righteousness and rich compassion shall attend us all our days;

May God's promise to be faithful echo through our songs of praise!

Alleluia! God sustains us; matchless are the gifts we share:

Light in darkness, hope in conflict, answers to our deepest prayer.

Ours to give as we are given: arms to lift when others fall;

Images of God's great goodness, faithful servants to God's call.

Alleluia! Holy Parent, all Your children now reclaim;

May our lives reflect Your justice, heirs to Your most sacred name.

Fill our hearts with understanding, brace our weakness by Your might;

Awesome honor, born in wisdom; Your great glory, our delight!

- Michael Morgan

A Reading from the Epistles: I Corinthians 2:1-12

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The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Hymn 395

Open My Eyes, that I May See

SCOTT

stanzas 1, 2, and 3

A Reading from the Gospels: Matthew 5:13-20

Jefferson Calico

The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon

"It's the Salt, Not the Salary"

Alice Tremaine

Responding

+Hymn 477

We Are Called to Be God's People

AUSTRIAN HYMN

If you wish to present yourself for membership today, or if you have another decision to share, please come to the front of the sanctuary during the hymn and a minister will receive you.

You are welcome here.

+Offertory Prayer

Paul Sims

Loose change received in February will benefit the Corbin Community Backpack Program.

Offertory Anthem

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

by Kathleen Thomerson

The Sanctuary Choir

I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.

In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike.

The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus.

Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father.

In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike.

The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus.

When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus.

In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike.

The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

Prayers of the People

Jefferson Calico

The Lord's Prayer

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, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

+Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Sending

+Sending Song

This Little Light of Mine

LIGHT OF MINE

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,

Everywhere I go,

Jesus gave it to me,

Shine, shine, shine, ...

- African-American spiritual

+Commission and Blessing

Alice Tremaine

Organ Postlude

Prelude in Classic Style

by Gordon Young

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> Gayle Majors, Organist Ann Hacker, Pianist Carolyn Garr, cantor

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